

## **COMPUTER STUDIES FOR JUNIOR CERTIFICATE**

- 1) Define the following terms as used in computer studies:
  - Computer
  - Computer system
  - Central processing unit
  - Data
  - Processing
  - Information
  - System unit
- 2) Mention any 3 importance of computer?
- 3) Which are the 4 main components of a computer?
- 4) What is the difference between computer hardware and software?
- 5) What is another name of CPU?
- 6) State the different parts that make up a computer?
- 7) Label the following parts of computer; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7?



- 8) Differentiate the following types of computers:
  - Supercomputer and mainframe
  - Minicomputer and a PC
  - Digital and analog computer
- 9) Give any 2 reasons why smaller computers like laptops tend to be more expensive than desktop computers?
- 10) Match the following generations of computers with the technology used to develop them:

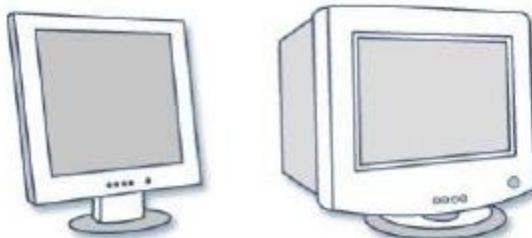
#	Type of generation	Match with the following
1	First generation	AVLIC
2	Second generation	Transistor
3	Third generation	Integrated circuits
4	Fourth generation	Vacuum tubes

- 11) What does the following abbreviations mean?

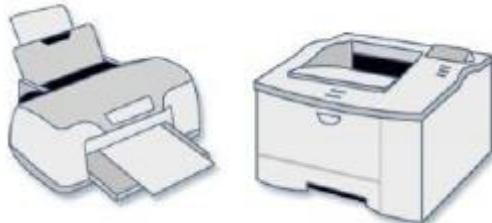
- CPU

- PC
  - RAM
- 12) State the parts that make up a computer?
- 13) What is the use of RAM?
- 14) What is artificial intelligence?
- 15) What are peripheral devices?
- 16) Explain 2 types of computer memory? And give example on each?
- 17) What is the difference between primary memory and secondary memory?
- 18) What type of computer memory is also called:
- Internal memory
  - Storage device
  - Removable storage
  - Main memory
- 19) Mention any 2 parts of computer that make up peripheral device?
- 20) What is the difference between floppy disk drive and DVD drives?
- 21) Mention any 3 characteristics of first-generation computers?
- 22) State any 2 advantages and any 2 disadvantages of first-generation computers?
- 23) Mention any 3 characteristics of second-generation computers?
- 24) Mention any 3 advantages and any 3 disadvantages of second-generation computers?
- 25) State any 3 characteristics of third generation computers?
- 26) State any 2 advantages and any 2 disadvantages of third generation computers?
- 27) Give any 3 characteristics of fourth generation computers?
- 28) Give any 2 advantages and any 2 disadvantages of fourth generation computers?
- 29) Mention any 3 characteristics of fifth generation of computers?
- 30) What are the 3 classifications of computers? **Give examples on each classification?**
- 31) What is the difference between the following?
- Min computers and mainframe computers
  - Microcomputers and min computers
- 32) Why micro computers are called by its name?
- 33) Mention the 3 types of microcomputers?
- 34) Explain why desktops are not portable?
- 35) Mention any 3 advantages of laptops and any 3 disadvantages of laptops?
- 36) What is the difference between the following?
- Digital computer and hybrid computers?
  - General purpose computer and special purpose computer?
- 37) What are analog computers?
- 38) What are dedicated computers?
- 39) Define the term “computer laboratory?”
- 40) Define the term, “laboratory safety precautions and practices?”
- 41) Explain any 4-laboratory safety and precaution measures which should be kept in mind when using computer laboratory?
- 42) Define the term, “starting up (booting) computer?
- 43) Explain the 2 types of booting?

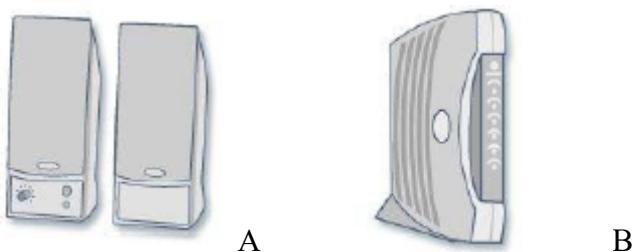
- 44) What is mouse?  
 45) State any 3 parts of mouse?  
 46) What is computer monitor?  
 47) Give the 2 types of monitors?  
 48) Identify the following and name them, A and B?



- 49) What is the main use of the wheel which is found between mouse buttons?  
 50) Explain the 5 techniques of mouse?  
 51) What is the use of printer?  
 52) Mention the 2 types of printers?  
 53) Identify the following pictures and name them, A and B?



- 54) Differentiate between the following:  
 • Cold booting and warm booting  
 • Function keys and special PC keys  
 55) What is the function of keyboard?  
 56) Explain the categories of keys found on a standard keyboard.  
 57) What makes a mouse move a pointer on the screen?  
 58) Identify the pictures A and B and name them and mention how they are used?



- 59) Explain the correct procedure for shutting down one computer?  
 60) What is the difference between system software and application software?  
 61) Explain any 3 types of system software?

62) Explain any 3 types of application software?

63) Define the following terms:

- Clicking
- Double clicking
- Drag and drop
- Right clicking
- Mouse pointer

64) Explain why smoke and dust particles are harmful to a computer.

65) Explain the emerging trends in microcomputer technology in relation to size.

66) Describe the ideal environment for a computer to work properly.

67) Explain the term **system unit** and name some of components found in it.

68) What is booting?

69) Explain what happens in the computer during the booting process?

70) State one reason why a computer needs to be connected to a stable power source.

71) Give two examples of special purpose computers?