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Q1a. In explicit terms discuss the concept of a Computer Network.

3marks.

b. Using appropriate illustrations explain the common types of computer networks stated below:

i)	LAN	2 marks
ii)	PAN	2 marks
iii)	HAN	2 marks

c. You have been recently engaged as a computer network consultant for an educational institution and there is urgent need to establish network connectivity for the institution. List the important aspects that should be kept in mind while planning and designing a network?

4marks

d. Briefly describe the following:-

i. Internetwork	2 marks
ii. Backbone Network	2 marks
iii. Intranet	2 marks
iv. Virtual Private Network	2 marks
v. Global area network	2 marks
vi. Overlay network	2 marks

Q2a. What do you understand by the term data link?

b. State some protocols that are defined by the data link layer

c. Mention seven layers of OSI model

5 marks

5 marks

Q3a. In clear terms, explain how fiber optic medium is better than coaxial cable 5 marks

b. What is Digital Subscriber Line (*DSL*)? 5 marks c. What are the advantages and disadvantages of *DSL*. 5 marks

Q4ai. What do you understand by the term "wi-fi?" 3 marks ii. what are the advantages of Phase-Shift Keying (PSK) 3 marks iii. Explain the *TCP/IP* model of networking 4 marks

- b. What are the differences between the Class *A*, Class *B* and Class *C IP* networks? **5 marks**
- Q5a. List three common types of threats- especially when the enterprise network is connected to the internet. 3 marks
 - b. With valid examples, explain the concept of Star topology. 5 marks
 - c. Define the term "modem" and explain the concept of modulation. 7 marks
- Q6a. Explain Time-Division Multiplexing (TDM). 4 marks
 - b. Write short note on the different types of impairment listed below:

i. Attenuation 2 marksii. Delay distortion 2 marksiii. Noise 2 marks

c. Explain how the concept of *DSL* works 5 marks