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- The total mark for this paper is 70.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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1 Explain how each of the following is used in a network.

(a) web server

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(b) mail server

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(c) print server

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- 2 Packet switching is one way of transmitting data between computers in networks. The User Datagram Protocol (UDP) is a protocol used when creating data packets to send to other computers on the network.

(a) Explain how the contents of the header are used when sending a data packet using UDP.

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(b) Describe the drawbacks of using UDP to send data over a network.

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3 The process of data mining is divided into phases.

Describe the tasks that occur in each of the following phases.

(a) business understanding

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(b) data modelling

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- 4** Cryptocurrency can be used to make financial transactions.

Discuss the impact of the use of cryptocurrency on individuals.

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- 5 A software development company is using the Agile method of software development to create a new app for a client to use on mobile devices.

Discuss the use of the Agile method of software development when creating a new app for the client.

[8]

- 6** Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the use of microwave transmissions for communications.

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7 Bitcoin is a decentralised banking system which can be used to buy goods and services.

(a) Explain why Bitcoin is classified as a decentralised system.

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(b) Describe how Bitcoin can be used to buy goods from another Bitcoin holder.

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- 8 Technology enhanced learning (E-learning) can be delivered using a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC).

(a) Describe the features of a MOOC.

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(b) Explain the drawbacks to students of using a MOOC.

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9 Bit rate is a measure of how fast data can be sent from one device to another on a network.

(a) Describe how the bit rate of a video stream is measured on a network.

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(b) Identify **two** factors that can affect the bit rate in data communication.

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10 Data stored on a network can be subject to different types of threats.

Explain how these threats can be detected.

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