

Year 8 Computing Summer Assessment

The exam paper will be a total of 50 marks. Year 8 – 30 marks, Year 7 – 20 marks

Revision tips: We would suggest creating mind maps/revision clock, record cards with the question one side and answer on the other (self-testing). A blank revision clock is on the last page for you to print off.

Section A: E-Safety

Students will be assessed on the following:

- Define types of computer hackers grey, black and white.
- Identify how a DDoS attack works
- Knowledge of the 4 offences of the Computer Misuse Act
- The Purpose of the Copyright, Designs & Patents Act

Helpful resources: (Students can use their text books and work on google classroom too)

- 1) Types of hackers https://tinyurl.com/2ccfzztc
- 2) Computer Misuse Act https://tinyurl.com/4w4h332y
- 3) Copyright, Designs and Patents Act https://tinyurl.com/2n9zyycn

Section B: Computer Networks

- Difference between the Internet and World Wide Web
- Identify an advantage of copper cable (cheap)
- Define what is meant by a Local Area Network (LAN), using an example i.e. school
- Describe the difference between a hub and switch (network hardware)
- Draw an image of a 'star' network topology

Helpful resources:

- 1) Networks https://tinyurl.com/56b5e8b4
- 2) Network Topologies https://tinyurl.com/mv88zbde

Section C: Data Representation

- Understand why computers use binary (switches, on/off)
- Know that binary is known as Base 2 (0 and 1) and decimal is Base 10 (10 numbers)
- Convert decimal numbers to binary and vice versa.

Students need to know that:

| 128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
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| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |



Binary number: 10110001 = 177 in decimal (128+32+16+1)

- Add two 8 bit (byte) numbers together and understand what is meant by an overflow error i.e when the calculation requires an extra bit.
- State the numbers of bits and characters for ASCII (7 bits 128 characters) and Unicode (16 bits – 65,536 characters)
- State how sound is created.
- Identify the conversion needed to take analogue sound and store it in a computer (ADC).
- How changing the sample rate affects both the quality and file size (Increasing the sample rate, improves the quality (closer to the original) but increases file size.

Helpful resources:

- 1) Binary conversion: https://tinyurl.com/y3ekf734
- 2) Binary addition: https://tinyurl.com/mvxymw9r
- 3) Sound: https://tinyurl.com/4bkkbva7

Section D: Spreadsheets

- To be able to explain the purpose of a spreadsheet
- To use formulas and the following four functions
 - o SUM
 - o MIN
 - o MAX
 - o AVERAGE
- To be able to use absolute cell references
- To be identify conditional formatting tools with Excel

<u>Helpful resources:</u>

Spreadsheets- https://tinyurl.com/42vevas6

Section E: Year 7 Topics (20 marks)

Topics covered include:

- Definitions of cyberbullying and online grooming
- Identifying types of computers from an image: laptop, desktop, tablet
- Identify the purpose of the CPU and motherboard
- Purpose of RAM and ROM in a computer system.
- Identify a flowchart as an algorithm
- State a variable in a Scratch program.



Helpful resources:

1) E-safety: https://tinyurl.com/2p8ksmrw

2) RAM and ROM: https://tinyurl.com/5xymcby7

