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l (a)	\ \ (Three from: database of UserIDs stored on system system checks entered User ID against database (of user IDs on server) when it finds a match it retrieves details such as passwords (when password entered), system allows access based on UserIDand allocates privilegesif server cannot find User ID, login is rejected)	[3
(b)	í i	Three from: database of passwords linked to UserIDs stored on system system checks the password against database of passwords/stored passto check that the password is associated with the entered User ID if password found, login is completed if password is incorrect, user is asked to retype password if e.g. three failed attempts are made, then login is rejected for that User		[3
! (a)		Two benefits from e.g.: can access WLAN from anywhere within range/buildingcan be mobile/move aroundcan use same device anywhere in building can access same peripherals e.g. printers while mobile can use own devicesat home and at school health/safety issue e.g. reduced trip hazard from trailing cables can have extended network coverage beyond the wired LAN		[4
(b)	: : : :	Two drawbacks from e.g.: security concernsWLANs must use security keyssecurity key will be known to manyless secure than a wired connection interference from other devicesreduces data transfer rates leading to apparent slower speeds of e.g. v increased distance from connection/access pointlow signal strengthcan lead to loss of connectivity	web access	[4

bandwidth is lower than cabled networks

...reduces data transfer rates leading to apparent slower speeds of e.g. download ...large number of users can lead to slower rate of data transfer

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3 (a) Tick as shown:

	(✓)
FTP	✓
https	
SSH	
Telnet	
UDP	

(b) Tick as shown:

	(✓)
FTP	
https	✓
SSH	
Telnet	
UDP	

(c) Tick as shown:

	(✓)
FTP	
https	
SSH	
Telnet	✓
UDP	

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(d) Tick as shown: [1]

	(✓)
FTP	
https	
SSH	
Telnet	
UDP	✓

4 Eight from: [8]

CAD

design accurate drawings of bridge components

...using database/library of pre-prepared components to speed up design process component tested before produced

...under variety of conditions

3D views to allow walk-around/view final product

total cost of a product can be calculated

...using a database of parts held by program

CAM

Computer Aided Manufacture linked to computer system

CAD generates a list of instructions

..for the manufacturing device/lathe/3D printer

to cut components to designed dimensions

using LOGO type commands

to set the dimensions of the prototype

5 Two from: [2]

[2]

mainframes have high processing power/fast processing speed vast amount of data to be processed

...which would take too long if done by human/non-mainframe computer large number of rules/parameters to be processed

6 (a) Two from e.g.:

parameters can be changed model can be tested to destruction tests can be repeated extreme conditions can be modelled no danger of hurting people no materials wasted

can investigate the financial implications of different designs

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(b) Two from e.g.:

[2]

not all parameters can be modelled/tested so test is incomplete

the assumptions/rules of the model may be faulty/not accurate so test results may not be accurate

custom software is needed for large/complex models which maybe expensive/take too long to produce

need access to fast/mainframe for large/complex models which may be expensive

7 **Two** from: [4]

Gantt charts:

...show clearly the stages /tasks in project

- ...can be used as a communication device between team members
- ...permits time management of project
- ...allows flexibility in project management
- ...parallel and sequential tasks with appropriate examples can be represented
- ...progress of each task with appropriate example can be shown

Pert (Project Evaluation and Review Technique) Charts:

facilitates decision making

- ...number events sequentially to allow the later insertion of additional events two consecutive events in a PERT chart are linked by activities
- ...represented as arrows

events shown in a logical sequence

...no activity can commence until its immediately preceding event is completed milestones should be PERT events and decides their "proper" sequence may have multiple pages with many sub-tasks

Critical path analysis

...to determine the most cost-effective/time-effective order of tasks Event chain diagrams

events are shown as arrows

...names and/or IDs of events are shown next to the arrow events with negative impacts (risks) are represented by down arrows events with positive impacts (opportunities) are represented by up arrows individual events are connected by lines showing the event chain PRINCE

divides project into number of processes uses common language so all can understand

Max 3 per feature

8 Three from e.g:

[3]

hiring (construction) workers preparing the ground building foundations construct main supports constructing bridge sections delivery of bridge sections testing of construction project completion

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9 Four from: [4]

disparities/gap

...between developed and developing countries/regions regarding access to computing/ICT regarding skills in computing/ICT regarding opportunities related to computing/ICT

One mark for valid example e.g. access to internet

10 Eight from e.g.: [8]

ICT skills enhance employment prospects
people in some countries/regions may not have access to computers/IT facilities
infrastructure, people in some countries/regions may not support computers/IT facilities
people lacking ICT skills will not be employed so easily
people lacking ICT skills will not be able to use ICT to search for jobs
people lacking ICT skills will not be able to use ICT to apply for jobs

people lacking ICT skills will not be able to use ICT to create CVs

areas lacking ICT infrastructure will not be able to access advertising for jobs/job searches schools and colleges without ICT access cannot teach ICT skills

richer schools have ICT facilities to teach their students so increasing the digital divide/providing employable skills for their students

11 Eight from e.g.: [8]

Benefits:

access to legal information from e.g. home
no need to book an appointment with lawyer
...some people may be intimidated by lawyers
...reduced costs e.g. travel costs
access to legal information without having to pay law firms
can access the information whenever it is convenient
access to information on family matters e.g. divorce, child care without visiting a lawyer
access to advice on e.g. house purchases without paying estate agents fees
access to changes in regulations and laws/updated regulations and laws
online consultations with lawyers to get personalised advice

Drawbacks:

legal advice may be misinterpreted/not understood online data may be deliberately altered to mislead unqualified people may use advice and mislead others individuals may not be able to find/make of all the relevant information

Max 6 for all benefits or all drawbacks

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12 Five from e.g.: [5]

areas with good access to ICT have better access to (online) health services areas with poor access have reduced/no access to (online) health services online consultations possible in areas with ICT access

...not possible in areas without access to ICT

disabled people/valid example with ICT skills have increased access to health services ...those without the skills cannot get access health services without e.g. travelling updated/general health information is available on the internet for those with ICT access ...those without ICT access are denied the health information updates

13 Four sensors from e.g.:

[4]

humidity to measure water in air anemometer speed of wind angle sensor direction of wind tipping sensor rainfall light sensor sunshine/light

14 Four from: [4]

sensors to measure the variable when connected to patient data from physical variables sent to computer system .. via ADC

example of physical variable e.g. breathing rate computer analyses data/compares with pre-set data displays results on monitor for viewing by nurses/doctors computer produces alert/warning if physical variables go outside set parameters

15 Eight from e.g: [8]

Benefits:

automatic recording of data from patient for review automatic chart production for reports/analysis by medical staff remote monitoring of patient

...nurses can be alerted quickly

computers can monitor more than one variable per patient simultaneously computers can monitor many patients at once

...nurses can supervise/watch over many patients at once

...nurses are freed up to other tasks

patients monitored 24/7

patients monitored continuously

Drawbacks:

patient does not get personal care not all parameters may be monitored (e.g. blood sugar level) alarm may be overlooked/ignored cost of equipment purchase/maintenance power failure/computer failure can cause loss of data/monitoring/affect patient safety

Max six for all benefits or all drawbacks.