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9608 COMPUTER SCIENCE

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1	(a) (i)	';' missing	1
	(ii)	'2' is not a variable	1
	(iii)	'e' is not a valid letter	1
	(b)	<pre><assignment statement=""> ::=</assignment></pre>	2
		<pre><variable><operator><variable>;</variable></operator></variable></pre>	2
		<pre><variable> ::= <letter> <letter><letter> <letter><letter></letter></letter></letter></letter></letter></variable></pre>	1
		<letter> ::= a b c d</letter>	1
		<pre><operator> :: =+ - * ÷</operator></pre>	
	(c)	<pre><letter> <letter><variable> <variable><letter></letter></variable></variable></letter></letter></pre>	2
	(d) (i)	debugging is fast <u>er</u> / eas <u>ier</u> // can debug incomplete code // better diagnostics	1
	(ii)	compiler produces executable version – not readable / no need for source code // difficult to reverse-engineer	1
			Total: 13
2	(a)	Spam Worm	1
		Pharming redirect website to fake website // domain name server compromised // proxy server compromised	1
		Phishing through email attempt to obtain somebody's confidential data / install malware	1
	(b)	 Spam user's inbox is filled by large amount of unwanted email user / email server employs filtering software that can divert / delete spam email Worm could corrupt user's computer // delete data // consume bandwidth 	1 1 or 1
		 could corrupt user's computer // delete data // consume bandwidth run anti-virus software in the background // not connect to the Internet // keep OS up-to-date 	1

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	(c)		encryption: process of turning plain text into cipher text public key: key widely available that can be used to encrypt message that only owner of private key can decrypt // can be used to decrypt a				1	
			message thereby confirming originator of message					1
	(d)	(i)	digital signature					1
		(ii)	(SH) • the receiver hashe	pted with pled hash / ession of stotal / digites received	orivate key digital sigr sender's pi tal signatu d software	r (digital si nature are ublic key re is decry (RH)	•	Any four points 1 mark each
								Total: 13
3	(a)	(i)	enumerated					1
		(ii)	record					1
		(iii)	MyMonthOfBirth €	- DateOf	Birth.Tl	nisMonth	1	1
	(b)	(i)	TYPE LocationRainfall DECLARE LocationName : STRING DECLARE LocationHeight : INTEGER DECLARE TotalMonthlyRainfall : ARRAY[112] OF REAL ENDTYPE				1 1 1 1+1	
		(ii)	 no need to re-sort data every time new data is added only a small file so searching will require little processing new records can easily be appended 				1 1 1	
								[max 2]
								Total: 10
4	(a)	(i)			Circuit 1			
				Α	В	Х		
				0	0	1		
				0	1	1		
				1	0	1		
				1	1	0		1

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	(ii)			Circuit 2			
			Α	В	Х		
			0	0	1		
			0	1	1		
			1	0	1		
			1	1	0		1
	(b) (i)	• circuit 1: \overline{AB} • circuit 2: $\overline{A} + \overline{B}$					1
	(ii)	$\overline{A.B} \equiv \overline{A} + \overline{B}$					1
	(c)	$\frac{\overline{(A+B).B}}{\overline{(A+B)}}$ Mark as follows: $\overline{(A+B)}$.B	naion				1 1 1
	(d)	bar over whole expres	ssion				I
	(u)	$= \overline{(A+B)} \cdot B$ $= \overline{(A+B)} + \overline{B}$				1	
		= (A+B)+B $= (A+B)+B$					1
		$= A + (B + \overline{B})$					1
		=A+1					1
		=1					1
		allow f.t. from (c)					[max 3]
							Total: 11
5	(a)	Monitoring system					1
	(b)	 temperature sense transmits mea analogue to digital converts analogue stored storage device // d for recording retransmission harded to transfer data processor to process incompared 	sured tem converter gue signa ata logger eadings fro ware a from sen	Il from sender om sensor asor to stor		tal value that can be	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 [max 6]

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	(c)	(i)	temperature reading in location 5 has been processed	1 1
		(ii)	0100 0000 1111 1011 1 mark per byte	2
	(d)	(i)	AND #B00010000 // AND #&10 // AND #16 1 mark for AND, 1 mark for address mode, 1 mark for mask, 1 mark for indication of numbering system	1+1+1+
		(ii)	OR #B00000001 // OR #&01 // OR #1 1 mark for OR, 1 mark for mask	1 +1
				Total: 17
6	(a)		Description Protocol used	
			email client downloads an email from an email server	1 mark for correct arrow from
			email is transferred from one email server to another email server	each description
			email client sends email to email server	
			browser sends a request for a web page to a web server	
	(b)		peer-to-peer	1
	(c)	(i)	Tracker: central server that: stores details of other computers that have all / part of file to be downloaded	1
			// has data on those peers downloading and uploading file // shares IP addresses with other clients in swarm allowing them to connect	1
		(ii)	Seed: peer computer that has 100% of file // is uploading downloaded content	1 1
		(iii)	Swarm: all the connected peer computers that have all or part of the file to be downloaded / uploaded // share a torrent	1
				Total: 11