INPUT DEVICES

1. Where does the name ‘QWERTY’ Keyboard come from?

2. Why do you think the QWERTY keyboard is the most popular method of data entry?

3. Who might make use of a concept keyboard?

4. What are the benefits of using a concept keyboard?

5. Explain why a mouse often called a pointing device

6. Describe the difference between a mouse and a tracker ball?

7. Which type of input device would you choose if you were going to play a ‘shoot ‘em up’ computer game?
8. Who is likely to use a Graphics Tablet and why?


9. Explain briefly how scanners work


10. Explain why automated input devices allow more accurate input of data than manual input devices


11.a What do the initials MICR stand for?


11.b Where are you most likely to come across this type of input device?


12. Explain how OMR is used to help mark test papers


13a. Why do Credit cards have a magnetic stripe on the back?


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13b. What is used to read the information from the magnetic stripe?

13c. What are some of the problems with this method of data storage?

14 a. What device is used to capture the barcodes on products?

14 b. Explain why the price isn’t stored on the barcode.

15. Which input device would you suggest for the following situations:

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