Basic IT Revision

- (1) All of the following are types of tangible software except:
- (a) systems software
- (b) operating software
- (c) management decision making software
- (d) application software
- (e) cyberspace software

(2) Which language is the hardest for humans to write and understand

- (a) machine code (Binary)
- (b) assembly language
- (c) COBOL
- (d) BASIC
- (e) PASCAL

(3) Which of the following has limited facilities for mathematical notation but has excellent facilities for character data processing and business use?

- (a) FORTRAN
- (b) COBOL
- (c) PASCAL
- (d) ADA
- (e) VORGON

(4) What is the essence of object-oriented programming?

- (a) versatility
- (b) objectivity
- (c) inheritance
- (d) all of the above
- (e) removing the human from computer programming

(5) The basic data storage hierarchy consists of (in order from the smallest upwards):

- (a) byte, bit, record, file, field and database
- (b) byte, bit, field, record, database, file
- (c) bit, byte, field, record, file, database
- (d) bit, byte, field, file, record, database
- (e) data, information, knowledge, wisdom

(6) A file in database terms is:

- (a) the field which uniquely identifies a record
- (b) a collection of related records
- (c) all the files of an organisation
- (d) a character of information
- (e) a collection of meaningful information

(7) An example of a field is

- (a) alphabetic character
- (b) employees name in a payroll system
- (c) freight rate table
- (d) backup files
- (e) none of the above

(8) The link between the logical view and the physical view of data is the:

- (a) application program
- (b) DBMS
- (c) database
- (d) programming
- (e) Data Flow Diagrams

(9) Which database structure arranges data in some natural hierarchy?

- (a) tree
- (b) tabular
- (c) relational
- (d) network
- (e) sorted

(10) The logical data structure with a one to many relationship is the:

- (a) tree structure
- (b) network structure
- (c) tabular structure
- (d) none of the above
- (e) all of the above

(11) The database administrator is, in effect, the co-ordinator between the ______ and

the _____

- (a) DBMS; database
- (b) application programs, users
- (c) database; users
- (d) application programs; database
- (e) none of the above

(12) Due to its conceptual simplicity and powerful data manipulation capabilities, the use of this type of database is increasing in popularity.

- (a) network structure
- (b) tree structure
- (c) graphical structure
- (d) relational structure
- (e) a big one

(13) The most widely used application on personal computers today is?

- (a) databases
- (b) electronic spreadsheets
- (c) word processing
- (d) graphics
- (e) none of the above

(14) The development of Computer Programming Languages aim to

- 1. move programming to the 'end user'
- 2. automate the process of programming as much as possible
- 3. be reliable
- 4. be easy maintained
- 5. be portable
- 6. be transferable with other computers
- (a) 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6
- (b) 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6
- (c) 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6
- (d) 3, 4, and 5
- (e) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6

(15) Which one of the following is NOT a 3rd Generation Computing Language?

- (a) ASSEMBLER
- (b) FORTRAN
- (c) COBOL
- (d) BASIC
- (e) ADA
- (16) If we were to add these two numbers together 5 + 7 we would get 12. How would a computer show the number 12 in binary code?
- (a) 101
- (b) 111
- (c) 1100
- (d) 1110
- (e) 0101

(17) Which of the following is an example of a network topology?

- (a) The Chain
- (b) The Plug
- (c) The Ring
- (d) The Slot
- (e) The Ring Pull

- (18) Which is the correct definition of the Open Systems Interconnection Seven Layer Reference Model
- (a) Data Link Layer, Transport Layer, Physical Layer, Application Layer, Session Layer, Presentation Layer, Network Layer
- (b) Transport Layer, Network Layer, Data Link Layer, Presentation Layer, Application Layer, Physical Layer, Session Layer
- (c) Physical Layer, Data Link Layer, Network Layer, Transport Layer, Session Layer, Presentation Layer, Application Layer
- (d) Presentation Layer, Transport Layer, Physical Layer, Application Layer, Session Layer, Network Layer, Data Link Layer
- (e) Physical Layer, Data Link Layer, Network Layer, Transport Layer, Presentation Layer, Session Layer, Application Layer

(19) Which of the following is a characteristic of a Local Area Network

- (a) Computers are geographically dispersed
- (b) Usually connected together by satellite link
- (c) Allows the sharing of data with other organisations
- (d) Must confirm to industry standards
- (e) Does not have to confirm to industry standards

(20) The Hybrid Network is the best network (e.g.: Ethernet) to have for every organisations.

Is this statement:

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) Don't Know

(21) A database is an organised collection of data

Is this statement True or False

- (a) True
- (b) False

(22) A Database Management System has the following characteristics?

- (a) Aids the user to create, store, change, sort and retrieve data
- (b) Aids the user to protect data only
- (c) Aids the user when trying to determine what databases to buy
- (d) Aids the user to store, change and retrieve data only
- (e) Aids the user to retrieve and manipulate data only

(23) What is not a function of a Database administer

- (a) resolution of any interdepartmental conflict
- (b) design of the logical models (ERD's & DFD's)
- (c) makes on his own the decision to purchase database software
- (d) preparation and revision of appropriate documentation
- (e) setting up and monitoring of data security procedures

(24) Which of the following is not an advantage of the database approach?

- (a) elimination of data redundancy
- (b) ability to associate related data
- (c) increased security
- (d) program data independence
- (e) all of the above are advantages

(25) Which is NOT normally associated with being one of the main functions of Spreadsheets?

- (a) cash flow forecasting
- (b) What if analysis
- (c) Goal Seeking
- (d) Storing price lists of information
- (e) Sensitivity analysis

(26) In file management systems, the duplication of items of data, so that they appear in two or more data files is known as:

- (a) data integrity
- (b) data redundancy
- (c) data duplication
- (d) data manipulation
- (e) data entry

(27) A spreadsheet is particularly suitable for accounting use because it automatically provides an audit trail

Is this statement?

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) Don't Know

Data for questions: 28 and 29

Name	Address	Account No	Balance Owing	
Duncan	Glamis	100	£2000	
Banquo	Glamis	200	£500	

(28) Which of the following statements relating to the print-out extract is correct?

- (a) Duncan is a field entry
- (b) The extract from the print out is a single record
- (c) Banquo is a character
- (d) The extract from the print-out is a field
- (e) None of the above