



**THE MOMBASA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

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# **Faculty of Engineering & Technology**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY  
(DICT 11M)**

**ECT 2101: COMPUTER WORKSHOP**

**SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION**

**SERIES: OCTOBER 2012**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions  
Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown  
This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

**SECTION A (COMPULSORY)**

**Question One (20 marks)**

- a) Define the following term:
- i) Troubleshooting
  - ii) Threat
  - iii) Computer security
  - iv) Ergonomics
- (8 marks)**
- b) In details explain the safety measure.
- i) When opening computer casing
  - ii) When opening a printer
  - iii) Electrical safety.
- (6 marks)**
- c) In details, explain the major basic components of a basic PC. **(6 marks)**
- d) Explain **TWO** ways of how a computer report it has some problems. **(4 marks)**
- e) How can you control viruses in a computer workshop? **(6 marks)**

**SECTION B (Answer Any Two Questions)**

**Question Two (20 marks)**

- a) What factors do you put in consideration when developing a computer lab rules and regulation? **(8 marks)**
- b) List and explain **THREE** types of fire extinguishers. **(6 marks)**
- c) Discuss the techniques you would use to ensure there is care and safe use of equipment in computer lab. **(6 marks)**

**Question Three (20 marks)**

- a) Explain how you can troubleshoot a computer that:
- i) The picture does not appear
  - ii) The screen is not synchronized
  - iii) The screen is shaking
  - iv) The screen displays a Blue Screen when you start it.
- (8 marks)**
- b) Discuss **FOUR** equipment found in a maintenance tool kit and briefly discuss their function. **(8 marks)**
- c) Why do we study computer workshop practice? **(2 marks)**

**Question Four (20 marks)**

- a) What could be the cause of:
- i) HTDR missing
  - ii) Blue screen
  - iii) Invalid disk
  - iv) The program is not responding and it will close down.
- (8 marks)**
- b) Discuss the factors to put in consideration when disposing computer equipment. **(6 marks)**

c) In details explain the method you would use to dispose the equipment. **(6 marks)**

**Question Five (20 marks)**

a) List **THREE** equipment which are powered directly and indirectly by the power supply. **(6 marks)**

b) What can we put in consideration when upgrading a computer in a workshop? **(6 marks)**

c) What does POST mean? **(3 marks)**

d) List **THREE** items which can set the configuration when installing an operating system. **(2 marks)**