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DIPLOMA IN ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH SCIENCES  
DIPLOMA IN NUTRITION AND HEALTH

**EIT 2101: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS**

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

**SERIES: FEBRUARY 2013**

**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 (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown  
This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

**Question One (Compulsory)**

- a) Define an operating system. (2 marks)
- b) List and explain the **THREE** types of an operating system. (6 marks)
- c) Describe the step by step process how you should create a new presentation. ( 2 marks)
- d) What are the functions of an operating system? (8 marks)
- e) Define the following terms as used in ICT. (8 marks)
  - (i) Auto fill
  - (ii) Hardware
  - (iii) Software
  - (iv) Mouse
  
- f) Identify **TWO** devices each that can be used for the following functions in a computer? (8 marks)
  - (i) Input
  - (ii) Storage
  - (iii) Communication
  - (iv) Output
  
- g) Identify and explain the **TWO** types of software. (4 marks)

**Question Two**

- a) What is a primary key? (3 marks)
- b) List and explain the various types of keys used in Ms. Access (9 marks)
- c) Explain various objects used in Databases. (8 marks)

**Question Three**

- a) Define the term computer. (2 marks)
  
- b) A company intends to install computers in its operation. Identify some of the disadvantages the company is likely to face. (10 marks)
- c) Distinguish the following terms:
  - (i) Keyboard and touch screen
  - (ii) Softcopy and hardcopy (8 marks)

**Question Four**

- a) Describe a spreadsheet as used in computer application (3 marks)
  
- b) State the importance of “sort” in Ms. Excel. (5 marks)
  
- c) What benefits does an organization get by using Ms. Excel. (12 marks)

**Question Five**

- a) What is a word processor? (2 marks)
- b) Describe how you would insert a table in a word document (12 marks)
- c) State **THREE** features of a good word processor. (6 marks)

