

HALF TERM 1: Modern Technologies & Cyber Security		Article on access to modern technology during
		coronavirus and how this has changed business
Component 3: Effective Digital Working Practices		operations
KQ1: How and why modern technologies are used by	\sim	
organisations and stakeholder to access and manipulate		Explanation why issues with communication can
data?		impact different areas and the different features
Communication technologies		of having cloud computing in organisations
 Setting up ad hoc networks (open Wi-Fi, tethering, 		
personal hotspots)		
 Ad hoc networks are created between two or more 	\bigcirc	Discussion of the impacts of covid on business
wireless PCs together, without the use of a wireless router		processes including how modern technologies
or an access point.	0XX	are used
 Security issues with\ open networks e.g. open 	(Y)	
networks not requiring usernames or passwords		Links to husiness huidentifiing incurate of hour
 Performance issues with ad hoc networks e.g. 	\mathbf{O}	Links to business by identifying impacts of now
limited range, poor signal		husiness day to day supping
 Issues affecting network availability e.g. rural Vs 	v	business day – to day running.
city locations, developed Vs developing countries,		
blackspots		
 Features and uses of cloud storage (where files created 		
and used on one or more computers or devices are stored		
and managed remotely)		
 Setting and sharing access rights 		
 Synchronisation of cloud and individual devices 		
• Availability (24/7)		
 Scalability (getting more by renting/freeing to save 		
money)		
 Features and uses of cloud computing (Web-based 		
applications which run entirely through browsers)		
Online applications		
Consistency of versions between users		
Single shared instance of a file		
 Collaboration tools/features 		
 Selection of platforms impacts clout technologies: 		
 Number and complexity of features 		
Paid for versus free		
 Interface design including layout, accessibility, 		
mobile Vs desktop		
Available devices		
 Implications for organisations when choosing cloud 		
technologies:		
Consideration of disaster recovery policies Security of data		
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Company including as frugge under a		
 initialities including software updates, downtime_staff expectice 		
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Getting a service/storage up and fullning quickly Derformance considerations (responsiveness to		
remonnance considerations (responsiveness to user complexity of task available devices		
user, complexity of task, available devices.		
KQ2: Explain the impacts of modern technologies on		
organisations?		
Changes to modern teams facilitated by modern		
tecnnologies:		
World teams		



- Multicultural
 - Inclusivity
 - 24/7/365
- Flexibility (remote working Vs Office based)
- How modern technologies can be used to manage teams
 - Collaboration tools
 - Communication tools
 - Scheduling and planning tools e.g. online calendar
- How organisations use modern technologies to communicate with stakeholders
 - Communication platforms (website, social media, email)
 - Selecting appropriate communication channels for sharing information and data. (private/direct message, public status update)
- Positive and negative impacts of modern technologies on organisations:
 - Requirements infrastructure (communication technologies, devices)
 - Demand on infrastructure of chosen tools/platforms
 - Availability of infrastructure
 - 24/7 access
 - Security
 - Collaboration
 - Inclusivity (age, health, additional needs, multicultural)
 - Accessibility (meeting legal obligations, provision requirements)
 - Remote working
- Positive and negative impacts of modern technologies on individuals:
 - Flexibility (home/remote working)
 - Working styles (choice of time, device, location)
 - Impact on individual mental wellbeing (depression, loneliness, self-confidence, separation from stressful environment, feel in control of own schedule, schedule adjusted to meet needs of family, less time commuting)

KQ3: What are the threats to data?

- Why systems are attacked:
 - Fun/challenge Hackers may attack systems for thrill, adrenaline rush or sense of personal achievement
 - Industrial espionage This is where individuals will attack an organisation such as stealing design, business strategies etc. and possibly copying or providing cheaper products in order to make the organisation lose money
 - Financial gain Obtaining money from victims of a cyberattack
 - Personal attack Some attacks are personally motivated e.g. ex-employees who hold a grudge against the former company/employer



- Disruption An attack that prevents a company from operating normally resulting in loss of earning and reputational damage.
- Data/information theft These can be sold to criminal gangs or organisations for financial gain. This is done by stealing customer payment information that is used to purchase goods.
- External threats (threats from outside the organisation) to digital systems:
 - Unauthorised access/hacking Where users attempt to gain access to remote systems without the permissions or authorisation of the owners to do so legally.
 - Malware (Virus, worms, botnet, spyware)
 - Virus designed to cause harm to a computer system by deleting files
 - Word replicates itself across a network. Usually designed to make a computer inaccessible
 - Spyware record a computer users actions, key strokes and relay them back to a third party
 - Phishing (fake emails) Spoof email pretending to be from a legitimate company. Spoof means that the email is forgery but looks genuine.
 - Pharming This is a combination of phishing and farming. This is where a user is maliciously directed to a fake website thinking is it real and they unwittingly enter confidential details such as usernames and passwords. Cyber criminals capture these details.
 - Social engineering This is where individuals contact users via email or phone pretending to be the users bank and asking them to confirm there identify such as username and password.
 - Shoulder surfing Spying on the user of a cashdispensing machine or other electronic device in order to obtain their personal identification number, password,
 - 'Man, in the middle' attack This is where the network is intercepted between the user and web server, where the attacker can obtain confidential information.
 - Denial of service attack A cyber-attack in which the perpetrator seeks to make a machine or network resource unavailable to its intended users by temporarily or indefinitely disrupting services of a host connected to the Internet
- Internal threats (threats within the organisation)
 - Disclosure of data Can be accidentals or malicious and require overriding security controls and portable storage devices.
 - Stealing or leaking information Selling to a rival (industrial espionage) for financial gain, revenge, social or political reasons.
 - Users overriding security controls An attempt to access data or information they should not access
 - Use of portable storage devices Such as USB drives which may be infected with viruses or be



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	approved) software which may contain viruses and	
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•	Reduction in productivity	
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	Modern	
	• Ad hoc	
	Network	
	Hotspot	
	Wireless	
	• Wi-fi	
	Tethering	
	Performance	
	Security	
	• Signal	
	Blackspots	
	Developed	
	Developing	
	Bural	
	• Storage	
	Cloud	
	Collaboration	
	Compatibility	
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	Maintenance	
	Multicultural	
	• Flexibility	
	Organisations	
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	Espionage	
	Financial gain cyberattacks	
	Disruption	
	External threats	
	Internal threats	



Unauthorised		
Malware		
Phishing		
Pharming		
-HALF TERM 2: Effective digital working practices		Example policies used within organisations e.g.
		acceptable use policy etc.
KQ1: How are threats to data prevented and managed?		
User access restriction- this is to restrict who can	\checkmark	
access/see what, measures that can be used are:		Explanation of each of the threats to a
Physical security measures (locks, swipe cards)		computer/network and the methods that are
• Passwords		available to prevent them.
Using correct settings and levels of permitted		
access		
 Biometrics (ins, thumbprint etc.) Two factor authentications (password and socurity) 	\bigcirc	Peer presentation/explanation of how threats to
 Two factor authentications (password and security question characters) 	40	data are prevented and managed.
Data levels protection of a system include:	<i>R ((((((((((</i>	
Firewall		
 Software/interface design e.g. not staving logged in 	\frown	Links to Computer Science – Threats to a
after five minutes of inactivity)	Un la	computer/network and the methods that are
Anti-virus software	Ö	available to prevent them.
• Device hardening (eliminate attacks by having	•	
security controls e.g. password management,		
disabling unused network port)		
 Back-ups for recovering data 		
 Encryption of stored data and transmitted data 		
(encryption is where passwords are mixed up which		
in unreadable by humans)		
 Identifying weaknesses in order to improve system 		
security include:		
Ethical hacking- individual who is employed by a		
company to try and gain access to a system in order		
of ethical backers which are:		
White bat backer- asks for permission before		
testing the system security at an organisation		
Grev hat hacker- will attempt to compromise a		
computer system without permission		
• Penetration testing- simulated attack on a computer to		
check for vulnerabilities		
Analyse system data/behaviours to identify potential risks		
KQ2 – What are policies and why organisations need		
security policies in place?		
Defining responsibilities		
Who is responsible for what?		
How to report concerns		
Reporting to staff/employees		
Demining security parallelets: Password policy e.g. change every 9 weeks		
 rassword poincy e.g. change every o weeks Accentable software /installation /usage policy 		
Timeline for data recovery		
Location of alternative provision (hardware &		
Software)		
Actions to take after an attack		
 Investigate (establish severity and nature) 		



Respond (inform/update stakeholders and	
appropriate authorities)	
Manage (containment, procedures)	
Recover (implement disaster recovery plan,	
remedial action)	
 Analyse (update policy and procedures) 	
KO3: What legislation governs the use of data and digital	
systems and what is its impact on the ways in which	
organisations use them?	
 Blurring of social and business boundaries: 	
Use of social media for businesses purposes	
 Impact of personal use of digital systems (social 	
media, web) on professional life e.g., individuals	
checking and responding to emails outside of work	
or using career-style social media platforms such as	
LinkedIn to network and job hunt.	
Data protection principles	
Lawful processing	
Collected data for specific purposes	
Only needed information is collected	
Should be accurate	
Kept only if necessary	
Data subject rights	
Protected	
Not transferred to countries with less protection	
Data and the use of the internet The right to be forgetten, this means individuals	
 The fight to be forgotten- this means individuals have the right to pursue their life without being 	
unfairly treated because of a specific action taken	
or comment made in the past	
Appropriate legal use of cookies and other	
transactional data- often when users go online.	
they leave a digital footprint which contains	
personal information that organisations can sell to	
other businesses that may wish to use the	
information.	
 Dealing with intellectual property 	
The importance of intellectual property in	
organisations is important so other businesses do	
not try and copy their brand names, logos or	
product designs.	
 Methods of identifying/protecting intellectual property include registering patents, design rights 	
convright or trademarking	
 Legal and ethical use of intellectual property. 	
including licensing and asking for permission to use	
an image or pay a fee to the owner to use	
• The criminal use of computer systems	
Unauthorised access - Criminals target a system to	
identify its security weaknesses	
Unauthorised modifications of materials - Criminals	
who have managed to access a system find content	
to change.	
Creation of malware - Malware such as viruses, is	
written by criminals to be used to infect systems	



either to cause damage or to seal money and information.

 Intentional spreading of malware - Malware is spread through infected files, and these can be spread over the internet of infected USB devices.

Keywords

- $\circ \quad \text{Legislations} \quad$
- o Lawful processing
- o Protected
- o Intellectual property
- o Malware

-HALF TERM 3: Collecting, presenting and interpreting Data

C3 \rightarrow 1 month of this half term before exam in Feb

KQ1: How can different types of notations be used to explain systems, data and information?

- Forms of notations are where organisations create lists or diagrams to show the technologies they have and how they are connected. Diagrams are useful for communication complex ideas.
- Data flow diagrams Used to explain how data is processed by an existing system and how it could be processed by future systems. Main symbols and flow of a data flow diagram include a process box which indicates something happening to data e.g., ordering a sandwich, a data store is where the data goes once processed e.g., an address book, diary (m is for manual data store, D is for Digital data store), an entity oval which is an organisation or group e.g., customer and an arrow which shows the way data is flowing.
- Flowcharts A visual representation of processes showing the actions in the order they happen. Main symbols of a flowchart are a terminator which shows the start and end of the process, a rectangle process box which shows that an action is taking place, a diamond decision box which is where a selection needs to be made, a data shows inputs into the processes and arrows which link the components together and shows the flow of information.
- System diagrams Models used to visually show the boundary between the system or part of a system and its environment showing the entities that interact with it. An example could be a diagram which shows how an internet service provider interacts with other systems, environment and entities.

	Students will need to read up and research different ways to collect data and the benefits and drawbacks of the different methods.
	Written report on the characterisitcs of data and why organisations used a range of methods to capture and store data.
	Class disucssion/paired disucssion by analysing data aand predicting future trends. Showing students how companies analyse and predict trends for the future based on current information.
Q	Links with business by identifying how data is collected and stored by organisations.



- Tables Displaying information tables is often an ideal way to organise information easier and see information in the same fields.
- Written information When documenting systems, written information will also be needed. This can be an executive summary. Sometimes you need to add text descriptions to tables, charts or diagrams to give them context.

Coursework- Component 2

KQ1: What are the different characteristics of data and information?

- Data is a series of numbers or letters that has no structure or context and which by itself unless processed
- Information is data that has been processed. The processing may involve doing several different things to data such as structure.
- Characteristics of data
 - No meaning: the important characteristic of data is it needs to be meaningful and tells you something you need to know or would be useful to know.
 - No Structure: structure is provided by dividing information into field and records. Not all information can be divided e.g., a book is structured into chapters with headings and subheadings.
 - No Context
 - o Unprocessed
- $\circ \quad \text{Characteristics of information} \quad$
 - o Has meaning
 - Has structure
 - Has context
 - o Is processed

KQ2: identify the different ways of representing information?

- Text Text is used to present information books, websites, reports and other documents. Text can provide large or small amounts of information which can very detailed.
- Numbers Commonly used to represent quantitative information as can be best measured using numbers and uses statistical methods e.g. calculate the average height of people in your class by totalling all the heights and dividing by total number of people measured.
- Tables Useful is representing numbers and text where they can be divided into different groups/categories.
- Graphs/charts Used commonly to summaries numerical information. Trying to understand



	large amounts of information can be hard,	
	however when data is displayed using a chart it	
	can be much easier to spot trends.	
0	Infographics - Usually only one page and	
	provides a useful and quick summary of	
	important information by combining	
	information, graphs, diagrams, images and	
	tables.	
KQ3: Ho	ow can you ensure that data entered a system is	
suitable	?	
0	Validation methods	
	 Range check - Used for numerical 	
	entries that must fall within a certain	
	range e.g., a month must fall in the	
	range 1-12	
	• Type check - Ensure that data is of the	
	right type e.g., if you need to enter a	
	phone number you can't input text.	
	 Lookup check - Data must be from a 	
	valid list e.g., postcodes	
	 Presence check - Ensuring that fields 	
	contain an entry otherwise page	
	cannot be processed	
	 Length check - Input data must be a 	
	certain length, anything shorter or	
	longer than the required length should	
	be rejected e.g., UK mobile number	
	should be 11 digits.	
0	Verification methods	
	 Proofreading - Check documents such 	
	as reports for spelling, grammar errors.	
	 Double entry - This is where data is 	
	entered twice e.g., stock amounts in a	
	warehouse y perhaps two different	
	people to minimise mistakes but	
	doesn't stop them	
KQ4: Ho	ow do data collection methods and features	
affect d	ata reliability?	
0	Data collection methods	
	 Primary data- information collected 	
	directly from the source	
	 Secondary data- information collected 	
	by a third party.	
0	Data collection reatures	
	o Who was in the sample?	
	 Who was in the sample: Whore the data was collected 	
	 When the data was collected When the data was collected 	
	 Mothods used 	
0	Big data- extremely large sets of data that may	
0	he analysed computationally to reveal patterns	
	trends	
0	Collection of hig data e.g. social networks, shop	
0	lovalty schemes census sensors ATN/cash	
	machines mobile nhone networks Wi-Fi noints	
	digital televisions, search engine data e-	
	commerce	



KQ5: Why quality of information important and what is	
its impact on decision making?	
 Quality of information factors 	
 Source/collection method- over the 	
phone telephone or online form.	
 Accuracy- primary methods are more 	
accurate e.g., shopping scanned at	
supermarkets. Secondary data is	
compiled by others and might not have	
all the information you need and can	
be outdated	
• Age- how long ago was the information	
collected as many aspects as possible	
of how business life can change quickly	
so data collected several years ago	
might not reflect the current situation.	
 Completeness- having all the data 	
needed to decide	
 Amount of detail- if data lacks detail 	
you may not be able to use it for the	
intended nurnose but if it is too	
detailed may be difficult to shot trends	
\sim Format/presentation- data can be	
formatted in various ways such as	
table/graph_If data is poorly	
formatted then it may make it hard to	
interpret and to make decisions	
 Volume- amount of data collected can 	
baye a major impact on the results. If	
you just ask four people what their	
favourite video game is you are	
unlikely to get an accurate idea of the	
uninkely to get an accurate fued of the	
most popular game in the OK in	
comparison to if you ask 400 people.	
KQ6: which sectors use data modelling?	
o Transport	
o Education	
o Retail	
O Banking	
o Entertainment	
o Government	
• Health care	
• Construction	
• Communication	
• Health and safety	
NUT: How is data modelling is used in decision making?	
• which customer to target for advertisements	
o where to deploy start during busy periods	
 Just-III-time delivery Where and when to adopt transmert school where 	
 where and when to adapt transport schedules Financial management 	
Financial management Accident provention	
Accident prevention Demographic analysis	
O Demographic analysis	
data stored about them?	
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o invasion of privacy - information is collected	
about us all the time e.g. mobile phone	
providers store records about what numbers	



-HALF T data	ERM 4: Collecting, presenting and interpreting	Research different types of dashboards identifying their strengths and weaknesses. Reading up on different functions in excel and how to use them
0	System diagrams	
0	Flowcharts	
0	Data flow diagrams	
0	Forms of notations	
0	Fraud	
0	Invasion of privacy	
0	Financial	
0	Demographics	
0	Big data	
0	Secondary data	
0	Fillialy Udla	
0	Drimary data	
0	Double entry	
0	Proofreading	
0	Verification methods	
0 0	Length check	
õ	Presence check	
0	Type check	
0	Range check	
0	Validation methods	
0	Infographics	
0	Graphs	
0	Representing information	
0	Characteristics	
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	private information going eisewhere.	
	could have consequences of your post with	
	by accident put the wrong door number Which	
	change addresses for all your items. You could	
	e.g. when moving to a new nouse, you need to	
	consequences of naving incorrect data is serious	
0	inaccurate data courd be stored - The	
~	snared with third parties.	
	result in data about them being collected and	
	snare information on social media, which could	
	and people with disabilities. Young people may	
	groups such as young people, elderly people	
	with malicious intentions will target vulnerable	
0	rargeting vulnerable groups of people - People	
-	cause sever distress	
	such as obtaining money illegally, which would	
	potentially be used for fraudulent purposes,	
0	Fraud - Data held by organisations could	
	with.	
	your private life and who you communicate	
	information can be used to build a picture on	
	you called, for how long and when. This	



KO1. How can date be immented from an external		
RQ1: How can data be imported from an external	•	ste-by-step methods using screenshots and
source?		priet instructions on how to complete
 Dashboard- displays important information, using 		teatures in escel such as functions and what
visual and other methods of presentation.		they do.
 Importuning data e.g., from other files, the internet 		
 Formulae e.g., add, divide, subtract, multiply 		Class demonstration on key skills and pared
 Decision-making functions e.g., IF, WHTIF, SUMIF 		discussions on how to use Excel features
• String operations functions e.g. LEFT RIGHT	30	
Count functions e.g. COUNTRIANK COUNTIE	<i>PV</i> 1	
Logical exercision a g NOT AND OD		
• Logical operation e.g. NOT, AND, OR		
 Sorting e.g. soring multiple columns and values 	$\mathbf{\wedge}$	
 Outline e.g. group, ungroup, subtotal 		
 Filtering e.g. greater than, less than, equals, contains, 	\mathbf{C}	Links with business and maths by using a
beings with, ends with		range of mathematical operators to find
 Text to columns e.g. delimited, fixed width 		natterns and trends to improve husineses
• Absolute and relative cell referencing e.g. use of dollar		patterns and trends to improve busineses.
sign and named cells		
 Macros e.g. for automatic navigation change graph 		
ontions change data ranges		
Data validation e.g. list check type check length check		
Multiple and linking workshoots o g, for dashboard and		
 Multiple and mixing worksheets e.g. for dashboard and row data 		
raw data		
Cell comments		
 Alternative views e.g. hiding/unhiding cells, freezing 		
panes		
 Conditional formatting e.g. data bars, colour scales 		
icon sets		
KQ2: How can data be manipulated and summarised		
through the creation of a dashboard?		
 Show data summaries from data sets: 		
⊙ Totals		
o Counts		
\circ Sales breakdowns		
Departmental breakdown		
Rudget allocations		
Appropriate presentation methods		
o Form controls e.g. dropdown menus, spinners, tick		
boxes, radio buttons		
o Graphs/charts incl dynamic graphs/charts		
\circ Pivot tables- table of statistics that summarises data in		
more extensive tables		
 Conditional formatting 		
 Select data/range 		
 Use appropriate presentation features 		
 Font size, style and colour 		
 Cell borders and shading 		
○ Graphics		
○ Axis labels		
\circ Titles, including overall and section titles		
Keywords		
• Cell		
Cell reference		
Dashboard		
 Importing 		



 Formula String operation Count function Logical operation Filtering Absolute cell referencing Relative cell referencing Data validation Conditional formatting Data summaries Axis 		
-HALF TERM 5: Collecting, presenting and interpreting data KQ1: How can conclusions be drawn from information?		Reading through work and researching how to identify/spot patterns trends in a range of graphs/tables and written summaries
 Drawing conclusions Trends - Spotting trends that shows either an increase or decrease overtime based on the trend values on a graph Patterns - You can identify patterns with some data e.g. seasonal patterns such as ice cream is sold more in 		Suggest trends and patterns and how businesses can improve in order for their organsiation to excel in the future
 characteristic process of the some aspects of the data does not fit the overall trend or pattern and could be due to an error in the data characteristic process of the data can come in many forms. 	€	Class paired discussion looking at example dashboards and drawing conclusions on patterns and trends and forecasts for the future
 Possible errors - Errors I data can come in many forms such as human errors, such as typing mistakes. It is important that errors don't affect trends or patterns in the data. Making recommendations e.g. which customers/areas to target for advertisements where to deploy staff to deal with increased demands how and when to adapt transport schedules KQ2: How does presentation affect the understanding of data/information? Information being misinterpreted - the way you present data in a dashboard can have an impact on the way it is interpreted or misinterpreted Information being biased- bias can occur when the data is presented in such a way that is appears to support an opinion or show the information I a more favourable light Inaccurate conclusions being made- if the information in the dashboard is poorly presented, then it may lead to inaccurate conclusions being made. 	6	Links to business, identifyinf trends for the future and suggesting where needs improvements.
Keywords Conclusions Trends Patterns Anomalies Recommendations misinterpreted bias Opinion 		