

Year 7 Spring 2 Computing: Networks



A) Key knowledge		B) Key knowledge		C) Key knowledge		D) Literacy
Computer network	A computer network is when two or more computers are connected together to allow them to communicate	Hardware component	Any physical part of a computer system that you can touch	Wired data transmission	A computer network can be either wired or wireless. Wired networks send data along cables	Describe why it would be best to use a wireless network in a café [3].
Device	Any computer connected to a network	Network cable	Cables connect different devices together - data can be sent in both directions across a cable	Wireless data transmission	A computer network can be either wired or wireless. Wireless networks send data through the air using radio waves	
Email	Electronic mail, sent from one device to another and stored on a server	Hub	A hub connects a number of computers together	Download	Your computer is receiving data (e.g. browsing a web page, watching online videos)	
Protocol	All methods of communication need rules in place in order to pass on the message successfully. These sets of rules are called protocols	Router	When a network needs to be connected to another network over a large area, a router is needed. A router forwards messages from one network to another	Measuring bandwidth	Bandwidth is measured in bits per second (a bit is the smallest unit of data)	
Web address	Contains information about the location of a web page	Server	A server is a powerful computer which provides services. There are many different types of server, e.g. a file server which stores files (i.e. text, images, sound, or video) that can be accessed by all devices on the network	Bandwidth	Bandwidth is the amount of data that can be moved from one point to another in a given time. Higher bandwidth = more data per second	
Homework: Look/cover/write and self-mark the information from Section A		Homework: Look/cover/write and self-mark the information from Section B		Homework: Look/cover/write and self-mark the information from Section C		Homework: Literacy task