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BCA1CJ101 : Fundamentals of Computers and Computational Thinking

2024 Admission Onwards

(Credits: 4)

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Section A

[Answer all. Each question carries 3 Marks] (Ceiling: 24 Marks)

1. Determine: [BTL5]
 - i) Gray code of 1010
 - ii) Excess-3 code of 1011
 - iii) Octal representation of 56
2. Evaluate the binary representation of 48. [BTL5]
3. Explain the uses of VGA and HDMI ports. [BTL2]
4. Explain the importance of capacitors in electronic circuits. [BTL3]
5. Identify the purpose of the SATA slot on a motherboard. [BTL2]
6. List and briefly describe the characteristics of the FAT and NTFS file systems. [BTL4]
7. What is UEFI, and how does it differ from Legacy BIOS in terms of functionality and features? [BTL4]
8. What are inductive and deductive reasoning? Provide a brief example of each. [BTL3]
9. What is the difference between pattern identification and abstraction in computational thinking? [BTL3]
10. What is RAPTOR and list its key features. [BTL3]

Section B

[Answer all. Each question carries 6 Marks] (Ceiling: 36 Marks)

11. Explain the process of converting a decimal number to binary and vice versa. [BTL2]
12. Identify the contributions of Charles Babbage to the development of mechanical computers. [BTL3]
13. Outline the difference between HDD and SDD. [BTL4]
14. Outline the difference between HDD and NVMe. [BTL4]

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15. Examine the role and significance of integrated circuits in modern computer hardware. [BTL4]
16. Analyze the concept of disk partitioning. What are the different partitioning schemes you might use? [BTL4]
17. Define algorithmic thinking and compare it with intuitive thinking. [BTL1]
18. Explain problem decomposition and pattern identification in computational thinking. Illustrate with explanation. [BTL4]

Section C

[Answer any one. Each question carries 10 Marks] (1x10=10 Marks)

19. Determine the Binary, Decimal and Octal representations of hexadecimal number 1FAB. [BTL5]
20. Discuss the role of computer science in the modern era. [BTL4]

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