CEL – Operating System,

Maintenance and Repair

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ADVANCED LEVEL NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS, 2014 TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL TRADES

EXAM TITLE: Operating System, Maintenance and Repair

OPTION: Computer Electronics (CEL)

DURATION: 3hours

INSTRUCTIONS:

The paper is composed of three (3) main Sections:

Section I: Fourteen (14) questions, all Compulsory. 55marks

Section II: Five (5) questions, Choose any Three (3).

30marks

Section III: Three (3) questions, Choose any One (1). 15marks

SE	CTION I. FOURTEEN (14) COMPULSORY QUESTIONS.						
J ₀₁ .	What does BIOS stands for?	4marks					
√ ₀₂ .	What are the two (2) main components of the CPU?	4marks					
√o3.	Identify the types of operating systems.	2marks					
√ 04.	. What is the role of power supply in a microcomputer?						
X 05.	. What could cause a fixed disk error?						
√ 06.	Identify the following components of computer system in input or output game controller, touch screen, track ball, webcam, LCD.	devices: 5marks					
07.	From what location(s) are the 1st computer instructions available on boot u	up? 2marks					
08.	Identify the possible causes of data loss in a microcomputer.	5marks					
√ ₀₉ .	Identify six (6) components of a personal computer directly attached to the motherboard. 6mark						
10.	State the three (3) entail components of a computer.	3marks					
11.	Differentiate cold Boot from warm start/boot and when they are used.	4marks					
12.	Give four (4) examples of inputs devices of a Personal Computer. 4m						
13.	Define the following terms:	ŧ					
	a. Multi-user						
	b. Multiprocessing						
	c. Multitasking						
	d. Multithreading	8marks					
14.	14. Which steps should be considered first, as a technician studying about se computer?						
SEC	CTION II. ATTEMPT ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS.						
15.	Give five (5) MS Word windows elements and their functions.	0marks					
16.	Define a printer and discuss the differences of the following printing technology:						
	Laser printer from inkjet printer.	0marks					
17.	Determine the correct syntax of the following DOS commands:						
	(a) TYPE (b) MORE (c) DIR (d) REN.	Omarks					

18. Discuss the different ways of accessing memories.

10marks

19. a. Give the results of the following Boolean algebra equations.

5marks

(i)
$$(\overline{A+B})$$
 =

(ii)
$$(\overline{AB}) =$$

b. Prove that
$$A + \overline{A} B = A + B$$

5marks

SECTION III. ATTEMPT ANY ONE (1) QUESTION.

- **20.** Student results are recorded in an excel sheet below. To pass in mathematics, a student must get at least 13marks.
 - a) Complete the following excel sheet such that, for every student whose mark in Electricity is less than or equals to 13 the computer add 3 to the result, the result is now recorded in column D.
 - b) Write the formula to calculate average of the marks for each student in column F and record results.

 15marks

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	A	В	C	D	E	F	
1	Mathematics	Electricity	Computer skills				
2	12	10	14				
3	13	12	13				
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5	5	13	12				
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- **21.** Discuss the following types of screen:
 - a. Cathode ray tube
 - b. Liquid Crystal Display
 - c. Plasma.

15marks

22. a. State and explain the three (3) main components of an Operating System.

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6marks

- b. Convert the following numbers:
- i) 129₁₀ into binary.
- ii) 1111000₂ into Decimal and into Hexadecimal.
- iii) 24D₁₆ into Binary and into Decimal.

9marks