GCSE APPLIED ICT COURSEWORK

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Business

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On Line Shopping

Online shopping is becoming more and more popular. It is used by many huge companies like Sainsbury's etc. Unlike normal supermarkets, online shopping is available 24/7.

Even though there are many advantages to online shopping, there are also many disadvantages such as the fact that you can't view the item

of the products. Also many people do not like to give out their personal details to companies online.

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Online Banking

Online banking sites are available online where they generally communicate with their ATM machines. A lot of people prefer online banking to normal banking because it is possible for them to manage several accounts from one secure site.

Others, however, find it a risk because they have a long time to result, and some online banking sites are slow to use. Also people don't like the activity sometimes you have to re-enter your account details to enter the account.

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Call Centers and Enquiries

Most large companies have centres where their customers can more easily give their comments etc. This saves the customers a lot of time seeing as they don't have to go back to these shops to for more reasons like this. It can also save them money because many customer service numbers are free.

The disadvantages of centres are that these days a lot of the time with does waste a lot of time. Also many centres are set up so companies like that so customers may have a problem with accessing some access.

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Advertising and Marketing

ICT has made it increasingly easy to produce really effective eye-catching advertisements. For example, using ICT you can make people do advertisements look real.

As this is good for ICT has also made it easier for companies to get your more personal data, e-mail address etc. They use these details to advertise their products. Some companies advertise by using pop-up and spam adverts to most people this these annoying and distracting.

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Working styles and Employment

- **Teleworking**
- **Technology at work**
- **ICT skills and training employees**
- **How people interact at work**

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Teleworking

Teleworking is when you work from home. Working from home is much more comfortable than working in an office. The hours are very flexible. Seeing as no office is needed, it saves the employers a lot of money.

Sometimes though there are some communication problems between the employer and employee. Also it is hard for the employers to assess their employees.

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Technology at Work

Technology has made it easier for employees to contact their colleagues and employers. There are many different types of technology e.g. Mobiles, pagers etc

The problem with these things is that technology is always changing and so a lot of money is wasted replacing the latest. Another problem with PC's, laptops etc is that they freeze and need rebooting.

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ICT skills and training employees

It is extremely important that employees according to the technology they are working with. In some cases there is a need to find someone to train them who is trying to help so much for it.

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How people interact at work

ICT has made it easier for people to interact at work. Using a mobile you can phone and text. Nowadays there is something called Blackberry which is a mobile device from which you can e-mail.

However all these devices are technological marvels so there may be times when it is not charged, therefore not able to be used.

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Personal Communication

- **The Internet**

- **E-mail**
- **Mobile phones**
- **Entertainment and Leisure**

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The Internet

The Internet is very useful. It contains information on everything you want to know about. There are many security dangers of the Internet which makes it essential to be aware of what you are looking for.

Sometimes, although the information you are looking for is not easy to find.

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E-mail

E-mail, also known as electronic mail is a very good way of communicating over the Internet. Also you can attach files and photos and send them to people.

Some people abuse this way of communication by sending rude viruses. Often big companies send out junk mail which they can now be prosecuted for.

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Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are very useful. They are a device you can phone, text, e-mail and much more. Some people use mobile phones in business and others just use them everyday use.

There are two forms: Pay As You Go and Contract.

People who use Pay As You Go may want to top ups so may not be able to contact you. Also the money may be wrong.

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Entertainment and Leisure

TV has started showing people entertained with things like DVD's, CD's, Game Boys, Plays Station's etc

All these things are very entertaining but may also be very expensive. For example, new games are always coming out and people are always buying them.

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Community Activities

- **Chat Rooms**
- **Internet Cafes**
- **Information Services**
- **Satellite Navigation Systems**

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Chat Rooms

Chat rooms are rooms on the network where people from all the world connect to each other.

The news for people are not mostly who they say they are. This is a place where people come and stay a lot. Many people are lonely and spend too much time alone because they can't be too many homes.

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Internet Cafes

Internet Café are cafés where you can surf the net. Some times you can buy snacks and drinks. You can't forget to say Internet café of some people have lesses where and to money etc

The two thing a Internet café is that is for very little people are there are other people who are like some rooms well.

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Information Services

In places like towns and more as they are to achieve to give information. This is where to work because they don't have to answer so many irrelevant questions.

Sometimes though the information isn't accurate so does for they the people.

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Satellite Navigation Systems

Some navigation systems are used in cars, etc, to guide people to their destination. Cars are more than cars.

There are many different types of satellite navigation systems. The most well known is 'Global Positioning System' also known as (GPS).

The advantage, of course is that these systems are normally cheap.

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Special Needs

- **Poor vision**
- **Hearing difficulties**
- **Learning Difficulties**

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Poor Vision

For people who have poor vision it has made it possible to make for a more independent life. Also it has had an affect on the employment opportunities. It has levelled them out.

The problems that this equipment costs a lot and some small companies can't afford it.

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Hearing Difficulties

Communities and people with learning difficulties have also been affected by ICT. However, there is a new type of more accessible software that can help people. It is connected with web 2.0 so they can use sign language to people across the world.

As with other communities, technology is also very expensive.

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Learning Difficulties

ICT has helped people with learning difficulties greatly. For example, schools and ICT's have classrooms show the students activities and examples from the internet they are needed. Also many teachers have students show to teach their tasks.

However, there are always things you have to do the old fashioned way. For example, teaching in a classroom and a whiteboard although nowadays interactive whiteboards are mostly used.