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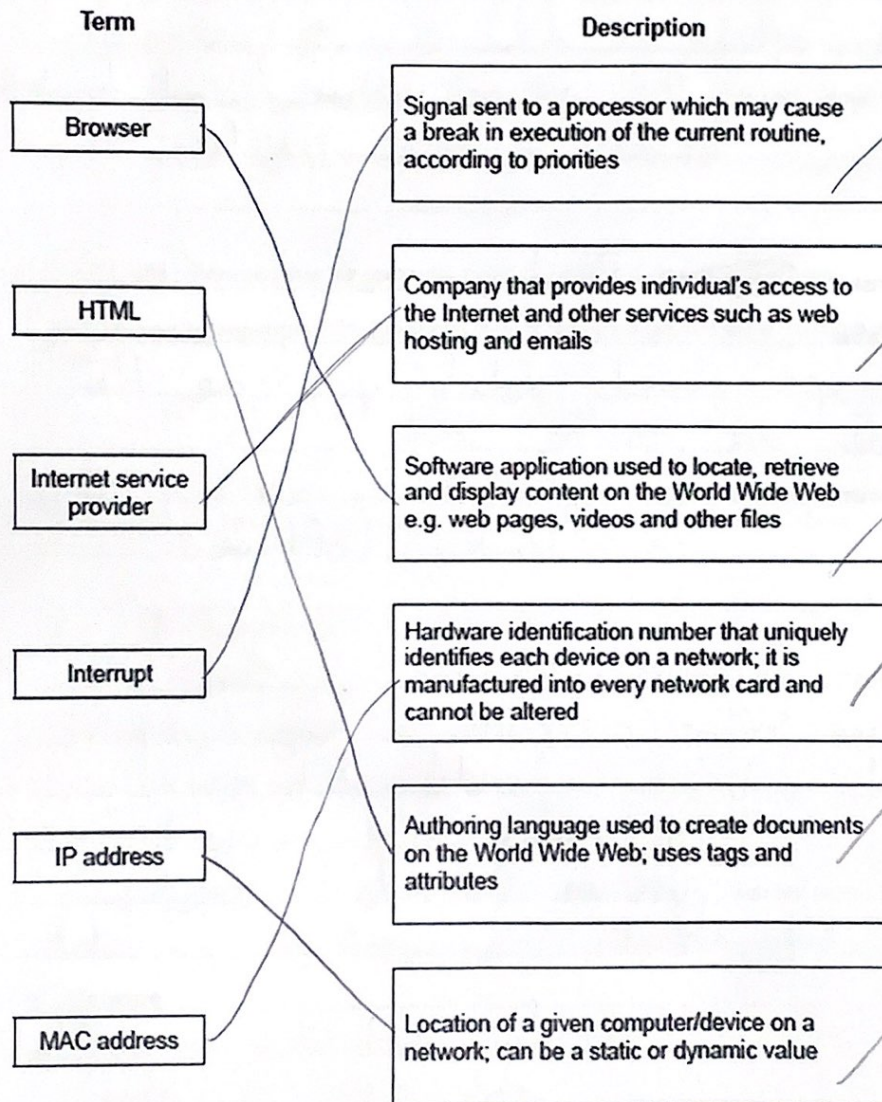
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Chapter 5 – The Internet and its uses test

Q1

Six computer terms and six descriptions are shown below.

Draw a line to link each term to its appropriate description.



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Q2

There are a number of security risks associated with using the Internet.

Name three of these risks. For each, state why it is a risk and describe how the risk can be minimised.

Security risk 1 ~~1~~ Virus installation / malware ✓

Why it is a risk User clicks on link and virus is installed on computer. Virus can delete files and replicate.

How to minimise the risk Use anti-virus software / block downloads from suspicious sites

Security risk 2 ~~Spam~~ Phishing sites ✓

Why it is a risk Link is fake, user is encouraged to input personal details which are then stolen and can be sold.

How to minimise the risk Do not click on suspicious links / use a blocking software

Security risk 3 ~~DDOS~~ DDOS attacks ✓

Why it is a risk Software is installed on many computers and a botnet is created which sends many requests to the targeted server, causing it to hang / crash.

How to minimise the risk Use a firewall to block unwanted attacks

Q3

David has installed anti-virus software on his computer.

(a) State three tasks carried out by anti-virus software.

Task 1 Regular and automatic scans of all files on computer

Task 2 Deletion / warning of files containing malicious code (which may be virus)

Task 3 Automatic virus definitions update to ensure latest viruses are taken into account (3/3)

(b) David is still concerned that his computer might get infected by a computer virus.

State three other ways in which David can reduce the risk of his computer getting a computer virus.

1 Use firewall on computer

2 Do not click on suspicious links

3 Use automatic site blocker / link verification to block suspicious / malicious websites (3/3)

4) Use biometric password

Q4) Explain each of the following terms:

a) Hacker

A perpetrator who steals a victim's data by injecting malicious code into their device (2)

b) Malware

Malicious code that harms the device or steals the user's data. (2)

c) Virus

Malicious software that propagates and replicates itself, harming user's device and also files (2)

d) Spyware

Software which records user's key presses / actions to find out their personal details / password and use these for unsavory purposes (2)

5). Explain the difference between a dynamic IP address and a static IP address

Dynamic IP address can change and is reassigned every time the user connects to a different network / (within network only), with it not identifiable. IPv6
Static IP address cannot be changed (is set by manufacturer) and remains assigned to a specific entity, with it identifiable. IPv4
These help to combat the problem of not enough IP addresses. [3]

6)

A company has a website that is stored on a web server.

(a) The website data is broken down into packets to be transmitted to a user.

Describe the structure of a data packet.

Packet header
- contains originator's IP address, destination IP address and packet number
- Payload - contains data to be transmitted
- Trailer - marks end of packet

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(b) The website hosts videos that users can stream. The company uploads new videos to the website.

(i) The videos are compressed before they are uploaded to the website.

Tick (✓) one box to show which statement is a benefit of compressing the videos.

- A Data is encrypted. ☐
- B Duration of each video will be reduced. ☐
- C Less storage space on the web server is required. ☒
- D More bandwidth is required when viewing the videos. ☐

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The company is concerned about a distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack.

(i) Describe what is meant by a DDoS attack.

• Many ^{hundred users} computers have malware / virus installed
• computers in a suspicious link
• Perpetrator uses this to create a botnet
• When the perpetrator wants, the botnet
simultaneously starts sending many requests to
one target web server, which as a
result crashes and is temporarily or permanently
not working. ^{website} ~~cannot~~ ^{not} work [4]

(ii) Suggest one security device that can be used to help prevent a DDoS attack.

Firewall [1]