INTRODUCTION

The marking schemes which follow were those used by WJEC for the January 2014 examination in GCSE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY. They were finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conferences were held shortly after the papers were taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conferences was to ensure that the marking schemes were interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conferences, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about these marking schemes.

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**GCSE ICT**
**UNIT 1 - 4331**
**MARK SCHEME - JANUARY 2014**

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Make sure only one tick in each row is selected or no marks for that row.
Question | Answer | Max mark
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3 | **One mark for each of two advantages from:**
- They can reduce fuel use so are ‘greener’
- Can select/plan the shortest route to save money
- Gives estimated time from A to B / shows how long it takes from one place to another
- Can be warned in advance of any holdups/traffic jams/tolls / can suggest alternative routes
- Helps you to keep to planned route / can give you directions to where you are going / plan routes from A to B
- Can be found by others if lost/in an emergency
- Can find places of interest / petrol stations, supermarkets etc.

**Condone uses such as:**
- Can see birds eye view /street view/ spatial awareness
- Can track / be tracked / locates where you are

Answers must be qualified
- NOT ‘to see how long it takes’ or ‘to see what the area is’
- NOT general advantages e.g. Easier to carry / Can take it anywhere

**One mark for each of two disadvantages from:**
- Data not accurate or up to date / maps could be out of date
- Satellite navigation systems can send you down roads which are too narrow

- Using satellite navigation systems can distract drivers and cause accidents
- Problems with loss of satellite signal
- Can drain battery quickly / No battery available / Needs to be charged more regularly

NOT Cost of equipment
NOT Uses battery

4(a) | **Either**
- Messages sent between devices/computers
- Messages sent across a network / the Internet
- Electronic messaging systems
- **NOT** Email / electronic mail sent across a network

4(b) | **Either**
- Saves time typing in the email addresses individually
- Faster to send message at the same time

4(c) | Virus scan attachments before opening them / use anti-virus software
- Don’t open emails from people you don’t know / spam / junk mail
- Install/use a firewall / to block non-certificated content/allowed users
- Spam filter

5(a) | To uniquely identify the player / to make each record unique / unique identifier

5(b) | Grant Z

5(c)(i) | 3

5(c)(ii) | **One mark for each** correct field and search criteria x2
**One mark if** both fields are correct but search criteria incorrect
**One mark if** both search criteria are correct but fields are incorrect
Search criteria must be spelt correctly

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<td>7(a)</td>
<td><strong>Three marks for any of:</strong> Copy image, Add text, Crop, Zoom, Remove red-eye, Edit colours, Change size of image, Change image format, Rotate image, Edit brightness, Transforming, Selection, Sizing, Scaling, Moving, Cloning, Brush settings, Layering, Spot clearing, Skew, Distortion, Colour palette, Contrast, Filters, Mirroring / flip. <strong>Accept any suitable answer</strong></td>
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<td>7(b)(i)</td>
<td>Playing computer games, Online dating, Viewing a place anywhere in the world, Advertising e.g. self promotion (creating own videos for uploading to a video streaming website), Accept any reasonable answer, Do not accept brand names such as ‘skype’, NOT Just “take photos” and “make videos” on its own – needs a purpose, <strong>Condone</strong> Monitoring babies in a nursery, NOT anything to do with work or business meetings</td>
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<td><strong>Any of:</strong> Poor connection/broadband speed, Poor quality images, Privacy issues / hacking / Can record without you knowing</td>
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<td>7(c)(i)</td>
<td>Name /surname, Username, Email address, Town /Current location, DOB / Age, Gender, Password, Secret Question/Answer</td>
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| 7(c)(ii) | Messages / email  
Can chat (not talk)  
Can put comments on the wall  
Can set up interest groups  
Create events  
Upload videos  
Video calling  
Tag photographs  
Play games  
Share location  
View notifications  
View others walls and photographs  
Locate friends  
Privacy controls  
Update status  
Any reasonable answer | 2 |
| 7(c)(iii) | **Disadvantages**  
Paedophiles / Stalkers / groomers may gain access to the images  
Employers can view your comments and could lead to a dismissal  
Sharing too much information / Burglars can see holiday status updates  
Lack of privacy  
Identity theft  
You can be identified from your images / unwanted tagging  
Cyberbullying  
Inappropriate content uploaded by others can be viewed | 2 |
### Question 7(d)

**One mark for each hazard and matching prevention.**

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<td>Adjust monitor height / screen at suitable angle</td>
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<td>Use <strong>adjustable chairs</strong></td>
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<td><strong>NOT</strong> comfortable chair <strong>NOT</strong> correct posture <strong>NOT</strong> sit up straight</td>
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<td>Repetitive strain injury / Carpal tunnel syndrome / wrist strain NOT arthritis</td>
<td>Wrist and feet supports / arm supports</td>
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<td>Ergonomic keyboards</td>
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<td>Regular joint exercise</td>
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<td>Key in with your wrist straight</td>
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<td>Epileptic fits</td>
<td>Screens to reduce screen flicker</td>
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<td>Eye strain</td>
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<td><strong>NOT</strong> Eye Problems</td>
<td>Focus on distant object</td>
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<td><strong>NOT</strong> Eye Damage</td>
<td>Blinds to protect sun glare</td>
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<td><strong>NOT</strong> Square Eyes</td>
<td>Screen filters</td>
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<td>Circulation problems</td>
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*Do not give same prevention twice
Prevention must match for second mark
**NOT** Get fat / heart disease **NOT** Don’t sit / spend too long at computer
**NOT** electrocution **NOT** Trip up over cables **NOT** Spill drinks
**NOT** Bacteria
**NOT** Couch potato syndrome

### Question 8(a)

**MUST BE A USE OF A VLE BY A STUDENT – NOT TEACHER**

Students can access material uploaded by teachers (homework / worksheets / revision guides / videos / etc)
Students can submit work electronically to be marked
Peer assessment to evaluate each other’s work
A blog could be used by a pupil to record a diary
A forum could be used to ask for help with work
Instant message / chat function to arrange a meeting
Students can have their own storage space
Students can access distance learning sites via links
Respond to surveys / questionnaires set by teachers
Can create / use wikis to work collaboratively
Can use checklist to keep track of work completed
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| 8(b) | On screen keyboard  
Narrator to read out text / Speech synthesis  
Change / Edit colour schemes  
Magnify text / icons / fonts  
Voice recognition  
Change mouse settings  
Accessibility features  
Enlarging fonts  
Enlarging icons  
Any reasonable answer  
NOT Hardware | 3 |
| 8(c) | 1 mark for device  
1 mark for description of use  
Educational 'apps' to help you learn French for smart phones  
Tablets to show how an engine works  
A podcast to teach you how to set up a new tablet  
Body technology (e.g. Smart watch) to monitor fitness levels in PE  
Augmented reality spectacles that displays map information from the Internet via voice commands | 2 |
| 9(a) | 1  
3  
4  
5 | 4 |
| 9(b) | One mark for advantage from:  
Avoids double booking  
Can book 24/7  
Can choose seat  
Compare prices to get best deal  
Easier for disabled who don’t have to leave home to book  
Read online reviews before booking  
Virtual tour of hotel room / virtual clips  
Can check availability before booking  
Save on travel costs (must be qualified)  
Save travel time (must be qualified)  
On-line discounts  
Can select alternative performances  
E-tickets  
NOT just ‘easier to book’ | 1 |
| 9(c) | Double entry  
Visual check / proof reading | 2 |
| 10(a)(i) | Pressure sensor / passive infrared / light beam = Speaker sounds / Alarm sounds  
Temperature sensor = Air Conditioning turns on / Heater switches off / motor opens window  
CONDONE: Heat sensor  
NOT one word answer for the output e.g. NOT Alarm, Window, Heater Air conditioning on its own  
Can get the output mark even if sensor incorrect | 4 |
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| 10(a)(ii)  | To measure the moisture in the air in the greenhouse / library / swimming pool / weather station  
Any reasonable answer | 1        |
| 10(b)      | Saving on heating / lighting costs  
Increases security in a school  
Operates 24/7  
More accurate than humans /set intervals for readings and recordings  
Easy to re-programme  
Can work in dangerous places whereas a human can’t  
No human interaction needed | 1        |
### Question 11

**10-13 marks**
Candidates give a clear, coherent answer fully and accurately describing how to find products on a website and listing advantages and disadvantages. They use appropriate terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar.

**6-9 marks**
Candidates describe some aspects of how to find products on a website and listing some advantages and disadvantages, but responses lack clarity. There are a few errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar.

**1-5 marks**
Candidates simply give a brief description of how to find products on a website and listing a few advantages and disadvantages. The response lacks clarity and there are significant errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar.

**0 marks**
No valid response.

**Guidance**

One mark for each point relating to searching for products on a website (Max 3). Up to ten marks for describing advantages and disadvantages of shopping online to the customer. To get full marks must have at least two advantages and two disadvantages.

No marks for advantages and disadvantages to the company.

**Methods of searching for products on websites:**
- Search Box to enter key word searches
- Hotspots
- Hyperlinks
- Drop down menus
- Using the menus to navigate to the product

**Advantages for the customer:**
- Ability to order goods 24/7/ buy 24/7
- Cost savings are past to customers with cheaper goods / online deals
- Allows disabled people to do their own shopping
- Saves travel time
- Saves travel costs
- Greater choice of goods from a global marketplace
- Price comparisons
- Read reviews
- Allows customised design features in products
- Can listen to samples before you buy / virtual reality displays
- Get goods delivered / don't have to carry back from shops
- Instant downloads of videos/books/music/games/apps
- Online tracking of orders
- Reminder emails when goods in stock
- Can get suggested/alternative items

**Disadvantages for the customer:**
- Problems with fraudulent sites
- Harder to assess the quality of goods before ordering
- Loss of the social pleasure of shopping
- Hidden costs of postage or duties
- Customers worried about security of credit / debit card details
- Could download a virus if qualified e.g. when downloading a music file
- Getting an increase in spam email
- Have to wait for some items to be delivered / goods don’t arrive

**NOT**
Network crashes/power cuts

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| 1        | 1 mark for naming each ICT device x 4  
1 mark for each correct input/output x 4  
e.g. Monitor – Output  
Webcam – Input  
NOT camera | 4 | 4 |
| 2(a)     | Image A: Bitmap  
Image B: Vector | 1 | 2 |
| 2(b)     | Any two of:  
• Reduced/lesser quality image  
• Reducing memory size / make the file size smaller  
• Reducing the number of colours  
• Uploads/downloads faster  
NOT ‘saves space’ | 1 | 1 |
| 3(a)(i)  | Local Area Network | 1 | 1 |
| 3(a)(ii) | Wide Area Network | 1 | 1 |
| 3(b)(i)  | Any two of:  
• Share hardware  
• Share resources (if qualified)  
• Share software  
• Share data / files  
• Central backup / shared memory  
• Easier to monitor network activity  
• Centrally controlled security | 1 | 1 |
| 3(b)(ii) | Any one of:  
• A network manager may need to be employed – expensive  
• Files sent between computers could spread a virus  
• More opportunity for hackers to gain access to data  
• If the server is down, all workstations on the network are affected  
• Initial cost of servers, communication devices etc. can be expensive MUST be qualified by the hardware NOT just ‘expensive’ | 1 | 1 |
| 3(c)     | Intranet | 1 | 1 |
| 3(d)     | Gateway: Connect two dissimilar networks *(Accept connect a LAN to a WAN)*  
Bridge: Connect two similar networks *(Accept connect a LAN to another LAN)* | 1 | 2 |
| 3(e)     | A switch analyses each packet of data and sends it to the computer it was intended for | 1 | 2 |
| 4(a)     | 1 mark for each advantage:  
Can investigate different effects  
Play into it and it converts it to music automatically  
Allows the user to print their own music  
Cheaper to produce music than to hire a music studio / service / facilities  
Allows music to be stored digitally / Preserve music performance  
Can use different instruments (without having to purchase them)  
Music can be edited  
Music files can be compressed (to save memory / faster transmission)  
No need to be able to play an instrument to compose music  
Allow 1 mark for each distinctly different example of music editing, e.g. auto-tuning, change tempo, change volume, overlay tracks, enveloping, looping etc | 1 | 3 |
| 4(b)     | Digital  
Analogue | 1 | 2 |
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<td>5(a)(ii)</td>
<td>Previous frames are still visible (1) to help plan the next frame (1)</td>
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<td>5(b)</td>
<td>Increase: If the frame rate is too fast it will blur the details of the animation Decrease: A frame rate that is too slow will have a stop and start / jittery / jumpy / flickering / non-fluid effect. NOT affect the size of your file/movie NOT will run faster/slower</td>
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<td>5(c)</td>
<td>The human eye continues to see an image for a short period after the image has disappeared</td>
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<td>6(a)(i)</td>
<td>A VISUAL check is when a user carefully reads what has been typed in and compares it with the original data source</td>
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<td>6(a)(ii)</td>
<td>A PARITY check ensures that the data sent is the same as the data received when data is transmitted from one computer to another</td>
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<td>DOUBLE-KEYING checks if the same data entered twice matches</td>
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<td>Validation: Check data is sensible / reasonable / within stated ranges</td>
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<td>6(c)</td>
<td>Hash: Checks meaningless data / adds up a total which makes no sense Batch: Checks meaningful data / adds data which is meaningful Accept an example illustrating the difference</td>
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<td>7(a)</td>
<td>Sensor: Heat Output devices: Fan (1), Accept Air conditioning unit Heater (1) Motor (on windows) / actuator (1)</td>
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<td>B: Turn the cooling device on / open the window C: Is the temperature below 18° Centigrade? D: Turn the heating device on</td>
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<td>7(c)</td>
<td>The output affects the input or explained example</td>
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<td>Any one of: - Alarms - Security locks / bars on windows - Fireproof doors / fireproof boxes - Inert gas systems - Physical relocation, e.g. backup stored off-site NOT cloud backup - Guards, write-protect tabs, CCTV, camera, do not keep computers on the ground floor.</td>
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- Cheque processing – paying bills – obtaining cash  
- EFTPOS – paying for goods at checkout  
- ATMs – obtaining cash  
- Card services – Credit / Debit / Smart cards  
- Homebanking / telebanking  
- view statements / check balance  
- transfer money between accounts  
- make payments  
- apply for loans  
- Bluetooth / wi-fi services – key encryption for remote banking  

*Or* e-Commerce Systems  
- Selling / buying goods online  
- Advertising/selling goods internationally  

*Or* Expert Systems (any two of)  
- A medical diagnosis expert system  
- Medical screening  
- Matching people to jobs  
- Training on oil rigs  
- Diagnosing faults in car engines  
- Legal advisory systems  
- Mineral prospecting  
- GUI helpline |  | 1 1 2 |
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<td>o Cuts down on queues in banks / faster service for customers</td>
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<td>• Low start up and running costs compared to traditional shops</td>
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<td>• The computer can store far more information than a human. It can draw on a wide variety of sources such as stored knowledge from books case studies to help in diagnosis and advice.</td>
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<td>• The computer does not ‘forget’ or make mistakes.</td>
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<td>• Data can be kept up-to-date.</td>
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<td>• The expert system is always available 24 hours a day and will never ‘retire’.</td>
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<td>• The system can be used at a distance over a network. So rural areas or even poorer third world countries have access to experts.</td>
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<td>• Provides accurate predictions with probabilities of all possible problems with more accurate advice.</td>
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<td>• Some people prefer the privacy of talking to a computer.</td>
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<td>Any three of: NI Number Date of birth Gross pay to date Tax rate/tax code Net pay to date Holiday pay Sick pay Overtime pay Job title Bonuses Pension contribution Date of pay Union contribution Date started Bank account Student loan contributions National Insurance number Accept any reasonable field</td>
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11(a) | Computer Misuse Act | Electronic Communications Act | Copyright Act | Max mark |
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### Question 11(b)

**Answer:**
- Data holders should protect the data against loss, theft or corruption  
- Data must be accurate and where relevant kept up to date  
- Data must be fairly and lawfully processed  
- Data must be processed within the rights of subjects  
- Data must be deleted when no longer needed  
- Data can only be used for the purpose collected

*Accept slightly different wording if answer given is clear*

NOT Data must not be transferred outside EU to countries without adequate provision

NOT Data must be adequate, relevant, not excessive

**Max mark:** 1

### Question 11(c)

**Answer:**
- Detect / prevent terrorism
- Detect / prevent crime

**Max mark:** 2

### Question 12

**HCI – 3 x 1 mark**

- Unique Advantage – 3 x 1 mark
- Unique Disadvantage – 3 x 1 mark

Maximum of 3 marks to be awarded per HCI.

**HCI:**
- Graphical User Interface / GUI
- Menu driven
- Voice recognition / command / speech synthesis
- Command line
- Biometrics
- Touch sensitive

**Graphical User Interface / GUI**

**Advantages:**
- Intuitive
- Easy to navigate
- Uses Windows. Icons, Menus, Pointers – easier for novices
- Help Guides and keyboard shortcuts for experts
- You do not have to learn complicated commands
- They let you exchange data between different software applications

**Disadvantages:**
- Takes a lot memory
- A lot of processor power is needed
- Slow for experts who just want to get things done: e.g. programmers
- GUIs take up a much larger amount of hard disk space than other interfaces
- They need significantly more memory (RAM) to run than other interface types

**Menu driven**

**Advantages:**
- No need to learn a lot of commands
- Ideal for beginners – everything is in a logical place/order
- Little processing power needed
- Extremely easy to use. Someone who has never seen the interface before can work out what to do
- Step-by-step options are given so that the user doesn't have to remember anything
- Menu interfaces don't have to be visual, they can be spoken - good for telephones or for visually impaired people

**Max mark:** 9
**Disadvantages:**
- Poorly designed menu interface may be slow to use
- It can be irritating if there are too many menu screens to work through - users get annoyed or bored if it takes too long
- You often can't go to the exact place you want right at the start. You have to work your way through the menu screens even if you know where you want to get to
- If the menu isn’t organised properly it could cause frustration trying to find things
- Can be tedious for experts

**Voice recognition**

**Advantages:**
- Speech input is much faster than keyboard input NOT writing in
- No need to learn to type
- Less danger of RSI
- Reduces typing mistakes such as spelling / hitting wrong key
- Keyboard takes up room on the desk
- Faster to issue commands (e.g. open word processor)
- People with a disability that prevents typing can use speech input / helps with dyslexia
- Users can do something else with their hands
- Increased security (setting a voice password) NOT just recognise the user

**Disadvantages:**
- It takes a long time to train the computer to understand how someone speaks
- Background noise interferes with speech recognition – cannot use computer with music in background
- Unable to have a chat or use telephone and perform input at same time
- Computer will never know all the proper nouns, for example Nantyffyllon
- Will not understand user when they have a speech impediment, sore throat or cold NOT accept ill or reference to illness which does not affect voice.
- Will not understand user when they have a strong accent
- Will always need a keyboard for special keys e.g. function keys, ctrl, alt / to make alterations / as a backup if the voice recognition system fails
- People with a disability that prevents speech could use a keyboard
- Can’t use in a quiet environment like library or quiet train
- Can’t keep private as people can hear what you are saying so no good for entering passwords
- May not recognise words that sound the same such as ‘too’ and ‘two’

**Command line**

**Advantages:**
- Quicker to type commands (NOT ‘quicker’ must be qualified)
- Little memory needed
- Little processing power needed
- No need for expensive hardware
- If the user knows the correct commands then this type of interface can be much faster than any other type of interface
- This type of interface needs much less memory (RAM) in order to use it than other user interfaces
- This type of interface does not use as much CPU processing time as others
- A low resolution, cheaper monitor can be used with this type of interface
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<td>• Each individual has unique biometric characteristics, e.g. unique fingerprints, unique retina.</td>
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<td>• Save space as no keyboard or mouse is required</td>
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<td>• Touch monitors can even be mounted on the wall</td>
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<td>• Touching a visual display of choices requires little thinking and is a form of direct manipulation that is easy to learn</td>
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<td>• Touch screens are the fastest pointing devices</td>
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