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**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**9626/11**

Paper 1 Theory

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**1 hour 45 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.
- Calculators must **not** be used in this paper.

## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 70.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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1 Encryption can be used to protect data.

(a) Define encryption.

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(b) Explain how intercepted data could be misused if it was not encrypted.

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2 Describe what is meant by a smart home.

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3 Explain why a compiler may not be suitable for translating a high level language program for use on different computer systems.

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4 The digital divide can exist between people in less industrially developed nations and those in more industrially developed nations.

(a) Explain why this digital divide exists.

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(b) Describe the effects of this form of digital divide.

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5 D'Oliveira Inc. is a company which sells stationery products to many stores. The company uses a transaction file to keep a record of the number of products it has sold each month.

Part of a transaction file is shown. It contains:

- ProductID
- NumberSold (the number of that product sold in a particular month)

Part of the master file used by the company is also shown. It contains:

- ProductID
- Product (description of product)
- NumberinStock (how many of that product are left in stock)

The NumberinStock on the new master file is calculated every month by subtracting the NumberSold from the NumberinStock on the old master file.

Transaction file		Master File		
ProductID	NumberSold	ProductID	Product	NumberinStock
2210	6500	1965	Folder wallets	9000
3356	7300	2210	Ring binders	12000
4268	2900	2976	Notepads	10100
5690	4600	3356	A4 paper	13450
		4268	A3 paper	8800
		5690	HB pencils	9200
		6528	Pencil cases	11150
		7649	Maths sets	8240

Fig. 5.1

(a) Identify the **two** processes that would have been performed on the transaction file before the master file could be updated.

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6 Back-up software is a type of utility software. A network manager wants to back up the data stored on a server.

(a) Describe, with reasons, the steps the manager takes when setting up this process.

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(b) Some of the data to be backed up consist of audio files. The network manager will compress these before starting the back-up process. Different methods of compression can be used.

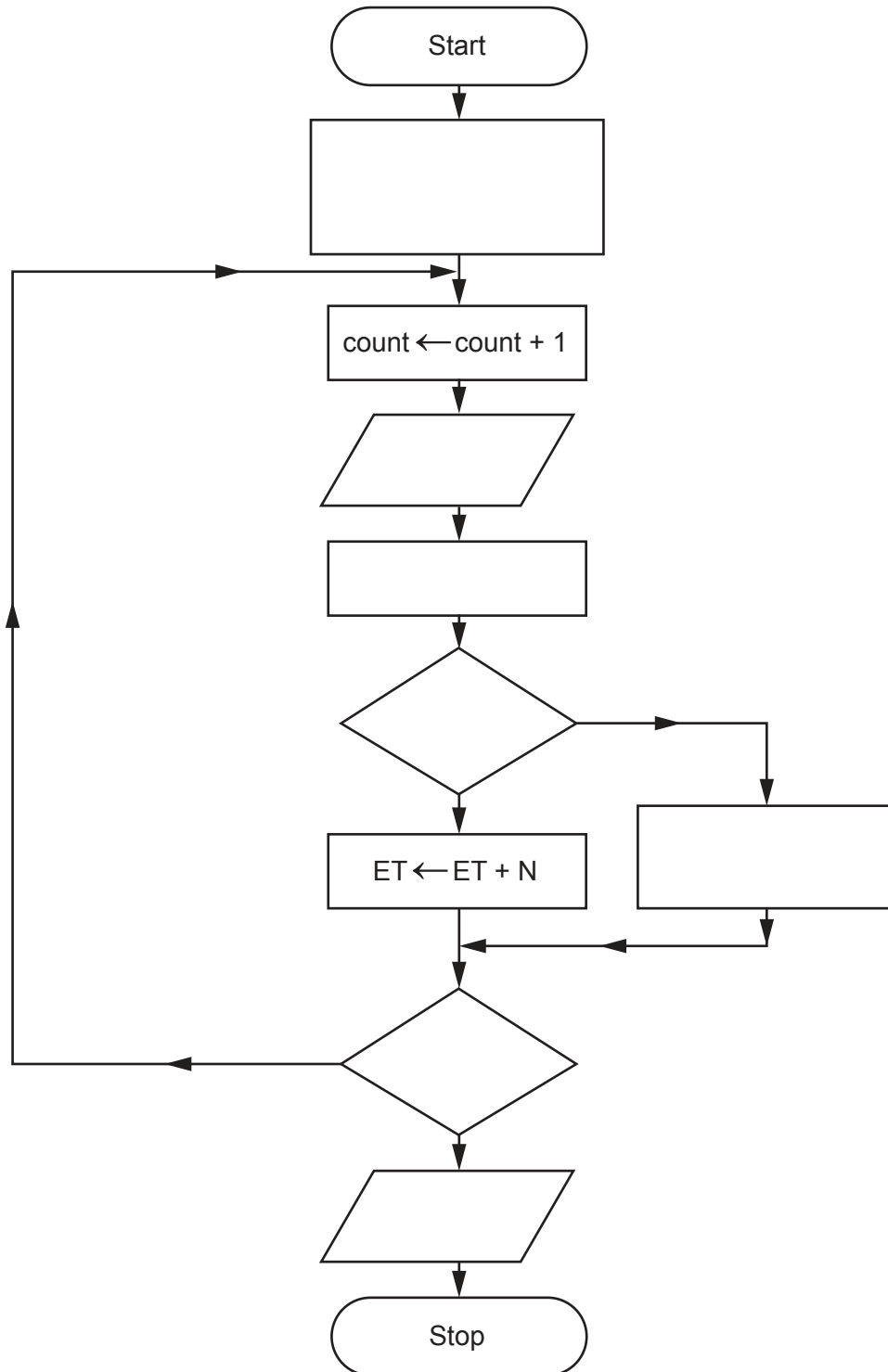
Describe these methods giving the effects on the audio files of using each method.

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8 Complete this flowchart which will allow the input of ten numbers.

- A number is even if the number divided by 2 is an integer.
- If a number (N) is odd, it will be added to the odd total (OT).
- If a number (N) is even, it will be added to the even total (ET).
- Both these totals will be output after the tenth number has been processed.



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