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1 (a) **Four from:**

Computer Aided Design  
....to create, modify, analyse designs

Computer Aided Manufacture  
Use of (computer) software to control manufacturing machinery/tools  
....to assist in all stages of the manufacturing process e.g. planning. [4]

(b) **Two from e.g.:**

Light pen for drawing directly on screen/when desk space is limited/might only have CRT monitors  
Trackerball for drawing when desk space is limited/less chance of picking up dust/reduced risk of health issues/more accurate than a mouse/selecting options  
Graphics tablet/use of stylus for inputting freehand drawings  
Scanner for inputting hardcopy drawings/photographs/notes. [2]

(c) **Two from e.g.:**

CRT monitors/curved screens for several designers to see the design simultaneously  
Plotter to produce large hardcopy of design drawings/blueprints  
Laser printer to produce hardcopy of designs  
3D-printer to produce model/prototype. [2]

(d) **Six from:**

*Benefits:*

Using CAD can be more accurate with measurements than traditional drawing methods  
Using CAD can reduce human error in use of/placing components from library for the drawings  
Using CAD allows drawings to be saved/edited/modified at various stages in the process  
Using CAD allows drawings to be saved/edited/modified by several designers  
Using CAD allows drawings to be sent electronically to designers/email  
Using CAD enables analysis of interaction of components  
Using CAD enables analysis of component costs  
Using CAD allows rotation/zoom of views

*Drawbacks:*

Using CAD requires a computer system which can be expensive/initial costs are high  
Using CAD can be slower than traditional methods for one-off/low-volume production  
Increased costs as workers need to be trained how to use the software and machinery.

*Max 4 for all benefits or all drawbacks.*

*1 mark is available for a reasoned conclusion.* [6]

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(e) **Four** from e.g.:

The results of manufacturing using CAM are consistent (always the same)  
 Using CAM enables very high accuracy levels in large-scale production  
 CAM can produce/machine very intricate/difficult shapes  
 Using CAM can speed up production of low-volume products  
 CAM can be run for very long periods e.g. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week  
 Can be linked to CAD, so that designs are electronically input to machinery. [4]

2 (a) **Two** from:

Data about speed/from engine rotation/flywheel revolutions collected by using a light sensor  
 Temperature data from oil/water/exhaust systems collected by using temperature sensor  
 Data about pressure of coolant/oil systems collected by using a pressure sensor  
 Data about air/fuel ratio from exhaust gases/manifold/before and after catalytic converter collected by using oxygen/lambda sensor  
 Data from the engine management system. [2]

(b) **Two** from:

Printer to output hardcopy of results/data/possible diagnoses  
 Screen/monitor to show possible diagnoses/current readings/warnings/data summaries. [2]

(c) **Six** from:

Consists of database of facts/car engine faults/solutions and the rules base  
 Holds database of knowledge from experts  
 ...for use by inference engine  
 Stores unstructured and structured information  
 Is updated by inference engine  
 Using forward chaining  
 Existing facts are used to create new facts  
 Is updated by additional input of facts/knowledge from experts  
 New rules can be generated  
 User can enter new parameters/variables  
 Can import parameters/data from other systems. [6]

(d) **Six** from:

Receives data from user interface from mechanic/from car engine sensors  
 Checks knowledgebase for matches to data input  
 Checks the rules to find relevant rules that match knowledgebase facts  
 ....using forward/backward chaining  
 Chooses/selects relevant rules  
 ...prioritises rules found in knowledgebase  
 Executes rules in order of priority  
 Repeats the steps from check knowledgebase to execute rules  
 .....until no more matches for condition/data input  
 Use of if-then-else logic/action  
 Applies logical rules  
 Interprets facts in knowledgebase to provide possible diagnoses/probabilities  
 Suggests possible faults. [6]

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3 One description for each:

**Motor:** to move whole simulator/parts of simulator/open,close valves in hydraulic rams for moving the simulator

**Buzzer:** output sound/audible alert as warning/information

**Large screen:** display car track/ scenes/ views of road ahead

**Loudspeaker:** output sounds of car noises/ambient sounds/instructions from instructor. [4]

4 **Eight from:**

*Benefits:*

Drivers are not put in physical danger/can be safer/less risk of being hurt/no risk to life  
 Different/extreme conditions can be simulated so no need to wait for natural occurrence  
 Different conditions/scenarios can be repeated  
 Running costs/fuel consumption lower than real cars  
 Simulation can be recorded for later playback/analysis  
 ...feedback can be visual overlays as well as verbal comments  
 ...computer can objectively assess performance c.f. observations by instructor  
 Manoeuvres/actions can be demonstrated by the simulator  
 Crashed/damage to virtual cars does not cost money to repair

*Drawbacks:*

Can be difficult to simulate all conditions found on race tracks  
 Can be expensive to create a realistic simulation  
 Not all variables can be included in a simulation  
 Drivers may be more reckless in simulations because of lack of real danger  
 Lack of a realistic experience for drivers  
 ...skills may not transfer from simulator to real driving  
 ...lack of retention of skills/knowledge learned in simulator  
 Occurrence of 'simulator sickness' due to  
 ...motion sickness where movement of body does not match what is shown on screen  
 ...lack of smooth movement on screen during rapid changes of position  
 ...latency between moving the steering wheel and simulator responding

*Max 6 for all benefits or all drawbacks.*

*1 mark is available for a reasoned conclusion.*

[8]

5 (a) **Six from e.g.:**

Name for identity purposes  
 Address for billing purposes  
 Email address for confirmation of booking  
 Telephone number for (emergency) contact  
 Credit/debit/bank card details for payment  
 Number of passengers for accommodation/safety purposes  
 Ages of passengers for allocation of amenities/facilities  
 Number of rooms/cabins required for passenger manifest/accommodation allocation  
 Departure/arrival ports for itinerary  
 Dates of travel/cruise for logistical/booking purposes.

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(b) **Six from:**

- No need to waste time on travel to company offices
- Saves cost of travel to company offices
- Can more easily compare prices of cruises/options available
- Prices can be cheaper when booked online since company
- Less pressure from sales people to buy extras/upgrade
- Can browse with no pressure to actually book/purchase
- Employs fewer staff and has lower costs
- Can check availability immediately
- Can get immediate confirmation of booking
- Do not need to wait for tickets/details to arrive as these are sent by email. [6]

(c) (i) **One from e.g.:**

- Barcode/matrix code with details of booking/booking reference
- The official ticket number/ticket identification number
- ...with a check digit
- Baggage allowance. [1]

(ii) **One from e.g.:**

- MUST be different from response given in (i):**
- Barcode/matrix code with details of booking/booking reference
  - The official ticket number/ticket identification number
  - ...with a check digit
  - Carriage terms and conditions
  - ..fare and tax details/codes indicating costs
  - Indication of form of payment
  - Baggage allowance. [1]

6 (a) (i) **Two from:**

- Upload firmware upgrades
- Link via cable to other devices
- Access music/video files on USB storage devices/mp3 player. [2]

(ii) **Two from:**

- Store music/video files for playback
- Record music/video files from entertainment system/use as PVR storage
- Store firmware upgrades
- Transfer files to/from entertainment centre. [2]

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**(b) Four from:**

Files are compressed to save storage space/bandwidth when transferred  
 ...loss in quality is acceptable  
 ...can be up to 90% reduction in file-size  
 Standard format for music/audio files  
 ...can be played by most devices  
 ...entertainment system may not be able to play other audio file types/may be only audio file type entertainment system can play  
 Data can be added to file  
 ...to describe contents of file e.g. song, artist etc. **[4]**

**7 (a) Six from:**

Video and audio encoded into digital format (by camera/at studio/in outside broadcast truck)  
 Video/audio edited for transmission/may have short time delay introduced  
 Sent by cable/satellite link to studio  
 Sent by cable to uplink station/dish  
 Received by receiving dish on (geostationary) satellite  
 Frequency altered and sent to transponder on (geostationary) satellite  
 Transmitted to ground/downlinked to dish on ship  
 LNB on dish on ship receives signal from satellite  
 Signal sent to receiver via cable  
 Signal distributed to entertainment systems around the ship/in cabins  
 Receiver converts signal into viewable audio/video. **[6]**

**(b) Six from:**

Movies/video stored on servers accessed via (local) network  
 Kumar has direct access to files stored on server  
 Movie compressed to save storage space/transmission bandwidth to achieve smooth playback/reduce lag/buffering  
 Kumar has a PIN required to view movie  
 Each cabin has set-top box/receiver required  
 Menu/list of movies shown on screen  
 ...can be sorted by e.g. Genre/artist  
 ...can be searched on criteria e.g. Genre  
 Chosen movie is streamed/downloaded to local entertainment device  
 Can be paused/rewound/fast forward. **[6]**