

BCS Level 4 Certificate in Network Principles

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Specimen Paper A

Record your surname / last / family name and initials on the answer sheet.

Specimen paper only 20 multiple-choice questions – 1 mark awarded to each question. Mark only one answer to each question. There are no trick questions.

A number of possible answers are given for each question, indicated by either **A. B. C. or D.** Your answers should be clearly indicated on the answer sheet.

Pass mark is 13/20.

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- 1 What is the decimal equivalent of 10101010?
- A 156.
 - B 170.
 - C 192.
 - D 200.
- 2 Which of the following is the **BEST** description of a LAN?
- A A virtual private network.
 - B An encrypted internet connection.
 - C An unencrypted internet connection.
 - D A network over a small area.
- 3 Which protocol is used to map IP addresses to physical MAC addresses?
- A CSMA/CD.
 - B Telnet.
 - C ARP.
 - D UDP.
- 4 How do network clients use broadcasts to facilitate MAC to IP address mapping?
- A Broadcasts are used for all IP address.
 - B Broadcasts are not used for mapping.
 - C Broadcast are used for uncached addresses.
 - D Broadcast are used over WAN links.
- 5 In a RIPv2 network, which algorithm does RIP use to calculate the **BEST** path between networks?
- A Bellmann-Ford.
 - B Diffie-Hellman.
 - C DUAL.
 - D Dijkstra.

- 6 A byte is a combination of how many bits?
- A 4.
 - B 6.
 - C 8.
 - D 32.
- 7 A customer has a Class B address allocation of 134.104.0.0 and wishes to further divide this into 16 subnets for use across departments. What subnet mask should be used to achieve this?
- A 138.172.0.16
 - B 255.255.16.0
 - C 255.255.240.0
 - D 255.255.255.16
- 8 Which dynamic routing protocol uses Dijkstra's algorithm to calculate the route between networks?
- A RIPv1.
 - B EIGRP.
 - C RIPv2.
 - D OSPF.
- 9 Which of the following would **BEST** describe a MAN?
- A A local network used to connect Bluetooth devices.
 - B Many LANs connected to provide global networking.
 - C Many LANs connected in the same region.
 - D A local network used to connect wireless devices.
- 10 What service is designed to assign IP addresses to nodes on a TCP/IP network during initialisation?
- A Telnet.
 - B PING.
 - C Netstat.
 - D DHCP.

- 11** How does encapsulation facilitate data communication?
- A** Embeds PDU from higher OSI layers into lower ones.
 - B** Embeds PDU from lower OSI layers into higher ones.
 - C** Encrypts PDU from higher OSI layers into lower ones.
 - D** Encrypts PDU from lower OSI layers into higher ones.
- 12** What is the maximum decimal number that can be represented in 8 binary bits?
- A** 248.
 - B** 254.
 - C** 255.
 - D** 256.
- 13** Why would dynamic routing be used?
- A** To increase network resilience and reduce network administration.
 - B** To reduce network loading by sharing traffic equally between routers.
 - C** To reduce network administration by automatically storing the routing tables onto a single server.
 - D** To allow the use of VPNs in networks where the number of spare IP addresses is limited.
- 14** Which of the following are routing protocols?
- A** OSPF and TCP.
 - B** RIP and UDP.
 - C** TCP and UDP.
 - D** OSPF and RIP.
- 15** Which port would be opened on a firewall to allow HTTP access to a web server?
- A** 25.
 - B** 53.
 - C** 80.
 - D** 88.

- 16** A network engineer monitors the company network and notices a bottleneck on the VoIP switch. Which network characteristic is affected?
- A** Quality of service.
 - B** Default gateway.
 - C** Security.
 - D** DHCP.
- 17** What media is used to access wireless devices from a wireless access point?
- A** Infrared.
 - B** Radio waves.
 - C** Visible light.
 - D** Copper cable.
- 18** What is the network IP address of 172.16.150.1 if the subnet mask is 255.255.248.0?
- A** 172.16.140.0
 - B** 172.16.144.0
 - C** 172.16.148.0
 - D** 172.16.150.0
- 19** What is the maximum number of hosts allowed on subnet 172.30.100.0/22?
- A** 258.
 - B** 510.
 - C** 522.
 - D** 1022.
- 20** Which of the following is a characteristic of VLSM?
- A** The same number of addresses is used in each subnet.
 - B** It provides a more efficient use of addresses.
 - C** The subnet mask is the same for each network.
 - D** VLSM encourages wasted IP addresses on a network.



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