

Study Opportunities CAT Exam Papers 2021

Scope and length of November papers

Lengths of papers – November 2021

		Date	Length (hrs)	Marks
Grade 10	Paper 1 Practical	Wed, 3 November 2021	2 2.5	100 120
	Paper 2 Theory	Wed, 10 November 2021	2 2.5	100 120
Grade 11	Paper 1 Practical	Mon, 1 November 2021	3	150
	Paper 2 Theory	Mon, 8 November 2021	3	150

Content covered in Grade 10 November papers

Practical Paper (Paper 1)

WHAT TO STUDY:

- Word Processing (Section 3) – Modules 3.1 to 3.7
- Spreadsheets (Section 4) – Modules 4.1 to 4.4
- Working smarter – Module 7.1; Practical problem solving – Module 7.2

WEIGHTINGS:

Word	60 ±75
Excel	40 ±45
	100 120

Theory Paper (Paper 2)

WHAT TO STUDY:

- System Technologies and Implications (Section 1) – Modules 1.1 to 1.8
- Network and Internet Technologies (Section 2) – Modules 2.1 to 2.5
- Information Management (Section 6) – Modules 6.1 to 6.4, First Edition / 6.1 to 6.3, Second Edition
- Case studies – Module 7.3
- Theory questions on practical work: ± 10 marks.

Technology/Concepts that will no longer be examined

Here is a list of items (technologies and concepts) in Grade 10 that will NO LONGER be examined in Paper 2.

The table below shows where the relevant topics are referred to in the Study Opportunities CAT textbooks (2nd edition). Please use these references carefully: only the specific references to the topics should be removed – not necessarily the whole paragraph or bullet list in which the topic occurs.

Topic	Grade	Mod	Pg	Activity
Fax/Fax modems	10	1.7	72	–
		2.4	117, 121	Act 2.1, Act 2.3
		7.1	315	Act 4.2

Topic	Grade	Mod	Pg	Activity
Freeware/Shareware	10	1.6	58, 62	Written Mod Act: 8
		2.5	124	–
MICR	10	1.7	70	–
OMR	10	1.7	70	–
Stand-alone vs. integrated software (Office Suites)	10	1.2	19	–
		1.6	56, 61, 62	Written Mod Act: 2
		4.1	222	–
		5.1	273	–
		7.1	312	–
Trackball mouse	10	1.7	65, 76	–

Clarification of blurred technology/concepts

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Topic	Comments	Grade	Mod	Pg	Activity
Printers	Devices such as printers WILL BE examinable, but the comparisons between various printer types will NOT be examinable.	10	1.3	28, 34	Written Mod Act: 9
Plug-in / add-on	The concept of a plug-in as a way of customising the browser or program has been largely replaced by add-on, which is an extension of the software. Candidates will NOT be required to distinguish between these two concepts. The term add-on will be preferred.	10	1.2	19	–

Content covered in Grade 11 November papers

Practical Paper (Paper 1)

WHAT TO STUDY:

- Word Processing (Section 3) – Modules 3.1 to 3.7
- Spreadsheets (Section 4) – Modules 4.1 to 4.4
- Databases (Section 5) – Modules 5.1 to 5.5
- HTML / Web design (Section 6) – Modules 6.1 and 6.2
- Processing data – Module 7.2
- Working smarter – Module 8.1

WEIGHTINGS:

Word	45
Excel	40
Access	35
HTML / Web design	15
General (Word)	15
	150

Theory Paper (Paper 2)

WHAT TO STUDY:

- System Technologies and Implications (Section 1) – Modules 1.1 to 1.6
- Network and Internet Technologies (Section 2) – Modules 2.1 to 2.4
- Information Management (Section 7) – Modules 7.1 to 7.3
- Case Studies – Module 8.2
- Theory questions on practical work: ± 15 marks.

Technology/Concepts that will no longer be examined

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	11	1.2	14	–
		3.1	118	–
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		2.5	124	–
FTP	11	2.3	97, 104	–

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MICR	10	1.7	70	–
OMR	10	1.7	70	–
RSS Feeds	11	2.3	97, 98, 104	Written Mod Act: 13, 14
Stand-alone vs. integrated software (Office Suites)	10	1.2	19	–
		1.6	56, 61, 62	Written Mod Act: 2
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		11	1.2	23, 24, 29	–
802.11 a/b/g/n	Candidates should know that 802.11 refers to a Wi-Fi connectivity standard. The details on the specific standards, i.e. a/b/g/n, will NOT be examinable. (CAPS p. 35)	11	2.1	78	–
Plug-in / add-on	The concept of a plug-in as a way of customising the browser or program has been largely replaced by add-on, which is an extension of the software. Candidates will NOT be required to distinguish between these two concepts. The term add-on will be preferred.	10	1.2	19	–
Phablet / Tablet	Candidates will no longer be required to distinguish between a phablet and a tablet. A phablet is a small screen tablet or a larger screen smartphone.	11	1.1	5, 8	–