1 1 Mark is for AO1 (knowledge) 1 (Using an algorithm) to convert a message into a form that is not understandable (without the key to decrypt it): (Using an algorithm) to convert a message into a form that is only understandable by the intended parties // can only be read with the correct key: (Using an algorithm) to convert a message into cipher text; N.E. Scrambling unless further explanation is provided N.E. Coding A. "Unreadable" for "understandable" A. "Data" for "a message" R. Responses that do not make clear that encryption is a process Max 1 1 Marks are for AO1 (understanding) 2 Vernam cipher (if implemented correctly) is unbreakable / harder to crack / Caesar cipher can be easily cracked: Frequency / statistical analysis of ciphertext reveals nothing about plaintext; More possible keys: Vernam cipher does not always translate a ciphertext character to the same plaintext character (removing repeated patterns); A. Points made in reverse, ie as disadvantages of the Caesar cipher Max 2

1 Marks are for AO2 (apply)
1 mark for identifying 1001000 1001111 1000111 as the binary representation of 'HOG'
1 mark for final result being 21 bits long;
R. if result is the same as HOG (1001000 1001111 1000111) or SON (1010011 1001111 1001111))
1 mark for correct application of XOR;
0011011 0000000 0001001
A. follow through mistakes

| 2 | 1 | Mark is for AO2 (analyse) | 1 |
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| | | Subtract 48 / 00110000 from the character code / bit pattern; AND the character code / bit pattern with the bit pattern 00001111; XOR the character code / bit pattern with the bit pattern 00110000; | |
| | | Max 1 | |
| 2 | 2 | Marks are for AO1 (understanding) | 2 |
| | | Introduced to support a larger range of characters; | |
| | | Due to increased international communication // use of files in multiple countries; A. sensible alternatives to international communication: eg facilitate interchange of documents between countries. | |
| | | eg culturally unacceptable to only allow non-English speaking countries to communicate in English | |
| | | NE. use in other countries or examples of this. | |
| | | Each character code is always interpreted as the same character; | |
| | | Max 2 | |

3 1 Marks are for AO1 (understanding)

Parity bits can only detect errors not correct them // Majority voting can correct (most) errors that occur during transmission;
Majority voting can detect multiple (bit) errors;
Majority voting is more efficient at detecting errors;
Majority voting can (sometimes) detect an even number of errors;

Max 1

| Qu | | Marks | | |
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| 4 | 1 | Mark is for AO2 (analyse) | 1 | |
| | | C; | | |
| 5 | 1 | 2 marks are for AO1 (knowledge) | 2 | |
| | | Consists of a digit calculated (using an algorithm); from the other digits/letters (in the input sequence); | | |
| | | A. Answer by example. | | |

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6 1 2 marks are for AO1 (understanding)

If the number of 1s received/in the byte is even, the data is (assumed to have been) received correctly // has not been corrupted; **A**. the data is correct

If the number of 1s received/in the byte is odd, the data has been corrupted / is incorrect;

A. odd/even part of second point by implication eg if student has written "is even" for the first point and then "otherwise" for the second.

| Qu | Pt | Marking Guidance | Marks |
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| 7 | 1 | Mark is for AO1 (knowledge) | 1 |
| | | A (unique) <u>number</u> used to represent a character; R. code | |

| Qu | Pt | Marking Guidance | Marks |
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| 7 | 2 | Marks are for AO1 (understanding) | 2 |
| | | Introduced to support a larger range of characters; | |
| | | Due to increased international communication // use of files in multiple countries // requirement to use additional symbols (allow examples, eg mathematical / scientific / engineering / emoji symbols) // facilitates interchange of documents between countries // culturally unacceptable to only allow non-English speaking countries to communicate in English// (concurrent) support for multiple languages; A. representation of characters in languages other than English (using codes that are globally unique). | |
| | | MAX 2 | |

| Qu | Pt | Marking Guidance | Marks |
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| 7 | 3 | Marks are for AO1 (understanding) | 2 |
| | | The number of 1s is summed / counted; if the total is even, the parity bit is set to 0, otherwise it is set to 1 // if the total is odd, the parity bit is set to 1, otherwise it is set to 0 // the parity bit is set to ensure the total number of 1s is even; The bits are XOR'd with each other; and the result is the parity bit; | |
| | | MAX 2 | |

| Qu | Pt | Marking Guidance | Marks |
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| 7 | 4 | Mark is for AO2 (application) | 1 |
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| Qu | Pt | Marking Guidance | Marks |
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| 7 | 5 | Marks are for AO2 (application) | 3 |
| | | Showing that 'EGG' is represented by 1000101 1000111 1000111; | |
| | | Providing a 21-bit answer that is not 'DAB' or 'EGG'; | |
| | | Correct answer (reached by applying XOR): 0000001 0000110 0000101; A. Correct result of XORing 1000100 1000001 1000010 with an incorrect representation of 'EGG'. | |