

# CAIE Computer Science IGCSE

## 1.3 Data storage and compression

### Flashcards

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# What does "bit" stand for?



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## Binary digit.



# How many bits are in a byte?



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8 bits.



What is a kibibyte (KiB)  
equal to?



# What is a kibibyte (KiB) equal to?

1024 bytes.



What is a mebibyte (MiB)  
equal to?





What is a mebibyte (MiB) equal to?

1024 kibibytes.



What is a gibibyte (GiB)  
equal to?



What is a gibibyte (GiB) equal to?

1024 mebibytes.



What is a tebibyte (TiB)  
equal to?



What is a tebibyte (TiB) equal to?

1024 gibibytes.



What is a pebibyte (PiB)  
equal to?



What is a pebibyte (PiB) equal to?

1024 tebibytes.



What is a exbibyte (EiB)  
equal to?





What is a exbibyte (EiB) equal to?

1024 pebibytes.



State the equation to  
calculate sound file size.



State the equation to calculate sound file size.

sound file size = sample rate x duration  
(s) x sample resolution



State the equation to  
calculate image resolution.



State the equation to calculate image resolution.

image resolution = image height (px) x  
image width (px)



State the equation to  
calculate image file size.



State the equation to calculate image file size.

image file size = colour depth x image  
resolution



# What is data compression?





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Data compression is the process of reducing the file size of digital data without losing the original information (or with minimal acceptable loss).



# Why is data compression used?



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It is used to save storage space and speed up transmission, as well as reducing the bandwidth required.



# What are the two main types of compression?



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## Lossy and lossless.



# What is lossy compression?



# What is lossy compression?

Compression that removes some data permanently, reducing file size more but lowering quality.



# Is lossy compression reversible?





# Is lossy compression reversible?

No - original data cannot be fully recovered.



# What is lossless compression?



# What is lossless compression?

Compression that preserves all data, allowing the original file to be perfectly reconstructed.



Name a method of lossless compression.



Name a method of lossless compression.

Run Length Encoding (RLE).

