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7.1 The Internet

7.1.1 Concepts / Terms

7.1.1.1 Understand and distinguish between the Internet and World Wide Web (WWW)

What is the difference between the World Wide Web (WWW) and the Internet?
- The World Wide Web (WWW) is just a small part of the Internet as a whole. The Internet relates to all the hardware and software involved, and as well as including the WWW, also includes FTP (File Transfer Protocol – more about this later), email and newsgroups. The WWW is basically the text and pictures which you can view using your web browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer, or Netscape Navigator.

7.1.1.2 Define and understand the terms HTTP, URL, hyperlink, ISP, FTP.

HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol)
- HTTP stands for Hypertext Transfer Protocol. This is the language your web browser uses to request pages & graphics from the web server. You can see that your web browser is using the HTTP protocol when it is shown at the start of a web address such as http://www.yahoo.com

URL (Uniform Resource Locator)
- The URL (Uniform Resource Locator) is just another name for a web address. The URL consists of the name of the protocol (usually HTTP or FTP) followed by the address of the computer you want to connect to, e.g. a URL of “ftp://ftp.cdrom.com” would instruct your web browser to use the FTP protocol to connect to the computer called ftp.cdrom.com.

Hyperlink
- A hyperlink is a piece of text (or a graphic) on a Web page, which when clicked on, will automatically do one of the following:
  - Take you to a different part of the same page
  - Take you to a different page within the Web site
- Take you to a page in a different Web site
- Enable you to download a file
- Launch an application, video or sound

• The illustration below displays a fragment of a Web page. The words which are underlined indicate a hyperlink. By default these text links are normally displayed in blue.

ISP (Internet Service Provider)
• If you want to connect to the Internet, you need to subscribe via an Internet Service Provider. The ISP gives you a connection to the Internet either via your telephone line or via a special digital high-speed line. An example of a popular ISP is AOL (America On-Line).

FTP (File Transfer Protocol)
• FTP is just a way of transferring data from one place to another over the Internet. It is often used for downloading large files from a web site. You do not really need to know anything about how it works, in most cases you will click on a link within a web page, and your web browser (such as Microsoft Internet Explorer) will take care of the FTP transfer for you, all you have to decide is where to store the file which you wish to download.

In many cases people who write and maintain web sites will use an FTP program to send the data which makes up a web site, from the hard disk on which it was created to a Web server computer.

There any many FTP programs available such as Cute FTP, an evaluation copy of which can be downloaded from www.cuteftp.com

7.1.1.3 Understand the make-up and structure of a Web address.
Web sites and URLs

- A Web site is simply data which is stored on a WWW server and which can be freely accessed by people 'surfing the Net'. For instance Microsoft have their own Web site from which you can download information and software. The trouble is that you have to know the address of the Web site; in much the same way as if you want to phone someone you have to know his or her phone number. The address of a Web site is given by something called its URL (Uniform Resource Locator). The structure of the URL is very precise. For instance, if you wish to use your Web browser to visit the Microsoft Web site you would have to use the URL:
  http://www.microsoft.com

Due to the very large number of organisations who now have Web sites, you can also use a search engine, in which you can enter a word or phrase connected with what you wish to find and it will then display sites which match the information you have entered. The results can be overwhelming however. A recent search using the search words "PC courseware" displayed a list of 4.5 million sites containing these words.

7.1.1.4 Know what a Web Browser is and what it is used for.

What is a web browser?

- Web browsing applications include 'Internet Explorer’ (from Microsoft) and ‘Netscape Navigator/Communicator’. In both cases there are many different versions, and you will find that the later versions offer much more versatility, as well as a better range of built-in features. The web browser allows you to view web pages.

7.1.1.5 Know what a search engine is and what it is used for.

What is a search engine?

- A search engine holds information about pages on web sites throughout the Internet. It only has information about web sites which have been reported to it, or ones which it has found out about automatically. It is important to realise that a search engine does not have complete information about all web sites on the Internet. There are a number of different search engines, run by different organisations. Within a search engine you can enter a search phrase, such as ECDL courseware, and the search engine will then search through its database and after a short pause, should display a list of sites which fit your search parameters. In this example we have used the Microsoft Search engine (MSN), and entered the phrase computer courseware.
After clicking on the **Search** button the following pages of results were displayed.

Clicking on any of the items found, would take you to that organisation’s web site.

### 7.1.1.6 Understand the terms cookie, cache.

#### What are cookies?

- Some web sites can store hidden information about you on your hard disk using cookies. This information is stored in small text file. Cookies can be useful; for instance, a site may store your preferences so that when you re-visit the site your preferences can be accessed automatically. Cookies are used by some web sites to identify you; this saves you having to “log in” to the web site each time you visit.

**More information at Cookie Central:** [http://www.cookiecentral.com](http://www.cookiecentral.com)

#### What is an Internet cache?

- Each time you display a web site within your web browser, a copy of the information (both text and pictures) is saved on your hard disk. The reason
for this is that the next time you want to re-visit the site, the information is quickly loaded from the copy on your hard disk, rather than slowly from the actual Internet site.

As pictures are stored in the cache, if you are visiting a site which has many separate web pages, with, say, a company logo on each page, then all subsequent pages from that site will load a little faster as the logo graphics will load from the cache, not via the Internet.

### 7.1.2 Security Considerations

#### 7.1.2.1 Know what a protected Web site is (use of user name and password).

**What is a protected site?**

- A protected site is a site which allows only restricted access. In many cases that is via a password. If you do not supply the correct password when you access the site, you are not allowed to view the sites contents. Many companies may use the restrictions to allow information to be widely distributed, but in a controlled manner to its employees. Other examples are sites operated by commercial companies which are selling some type of information such as share information.

#### 7.1.2.2 Know what a digital certificate is.

**What is a digital certificate?**

- A digital certificate is used to encrypt information for secure transmission across the Internet. A digital certificate can be used to create a digital signature for an email, the signature guarantees the identity of sender, and it also ensures that the message cannot be tampered with in transit. A digital certificate can be purchased from a certificate authority such as www.verisign.com who will verify your identity. Digital certificates are used by Internet based shopping web sites to encrypt your credit card details so they cannot be intercepted as they travel the Internet. You can view the digital certificate for a secure web site by double clicking on the padlock in the web browser status bar, e.g. https://www.paypal.com
7.1.2.3 Know what encryption is and why it is used.

What is encryption?

- Encryption is a means of 'scrambling' an email message. It is used to make a message more secure, so that only the intended recipient of the message will be able to read the message. There are many means of enabling this encryption, both via hardware and software. A famous encryption program is PGP, which was at one time considered so secure that the US government would not allow the code behind the software to leave the US (which became problematic when it was apparently printed on t-shirts).

- Modern encryption programs are becoming so secure now that some governments are insisting that the manufacturers of the programs build a 'back-door' into the programs which will enable the government/police/intelligence communities to easily read the messages. This is so that criminals who use the Internet do not have access to unbreakable encryption.

- There are different levels of encryption, which is often described by the number of bits used within the encryption. Thus a system using 128-bit encryption, would be much more secure than say one using 32-bit encryption.

7.1.2.4 Be aware of the danger of infecting the computer with a virus from a downloaded file

The dangers of surfing

- **Viruses**: Surfing the Internet can provide you with an incredible source of information. It can also be fun; however there are dangers. If you download anything from the Web (even a document file), there is the possibility that the downloaded item may have been infected with a computer virus. To give yourself some protection against virus attack, you should have a virus checker installed (such as Norton Anti-Virus), and checked to be active and continuously checking for infection while the computer is on. In this way if the item which you download from the Internet is infected, the virus checker program will detect it immediately. The other important point to remember is to update your virus checker on a regular basis, so that it knows about all the new viruses which are always appearing.
7.1.2.5 Be aware of the possibility of being subject to fraud when using a credit card on the Internet.

Be very cautious about giving your credit card details over the Internet

- **Spam**: Be very careful about entering your email address into forms on web sites with which you are not familiar. You may later get unsolicited emails (called spam) from that web site. Even worse, your email address may be passed on to companies which sell lists of email addresses to advertisers, after which you will receive spam on a daily basis.

- **Fraud**: Never give your credit card details to anyone or any company unless you know that you are dealing with a reputable organisation. You may find that the items you purchase are never delivered, or worse that your credit card details are used fraudulently to make other purchases.

7.1.2.6 Understand the term firewall.

**What is a firewall?**

- A firewall consists of software and hardware protection against invasion via the Internet. In larger companies any connection to the Internet automatically goes through a firewall which would have been installed and customised by the company's technical IT team. In most cases you will be unaware of the firewall existence. As a user of a computer, the only time that you may become aware of the firewall is when training to access certain sites, and sometimes you may have problems accessing FTP sites through a firewall.

7.1.3 First Steps with the Web Browser

7.1.3.1 Open (and close) a Web browsing application.
To open the Microsoft Internet Explorer

- Double click on the Internet Explorer icon displayed on your Desktop.

The Microsoft Internet Explorer icons

- Make sure you understand the function of these icons.

- Will re-display the previous page which you visited.
- Will display the next page (assuming that you have first moved back a page).
- Will halt the downloading of information.
- The refresh icon reloads the information from the Web site which you are visiting.
- The home icon will take you to your default starting page.
- The search icon allows you to search the Internet for sites.
- The favourites list is a series of bookmarks to your favourite Web sites.
- The Print icon allows you to print a Web page which is displayed on your screen.
- Allows you access to your email and newsgroup programs.
- Allows you to access Internet Discussion Groups.

To close the Microsoft Internet Explorer

- To close your web browser, click on the application close icon (the x at the top-right of the application window).

7.1.3.2 Change the Web browser Home Page / Start page.

What is a web site “Home Page”?

- Most Internet sites have a starting page, called the Home Page. Often when you surf into a site, using a search engine, you initially go to a page which is not the home page. If you see a button (or text) on a site displaying the word
HOME, then clicking on this will take you to the starting page, i.e. the Home Page.

- It is confusing because Microsoft defines the "Home Page" for your browser (i.e. Internet Explorer) as the page which by default is displayed when you start the browser program.

To set a home (i.e. opening) page
- Click on the Tools drop down menu.
- Click on the Internet Options command.
- Click on the General tab of the Internet Options dialog box.
- If you wish to use the currently displayed page as your starting page, click on the Use Current button.
- If you wish to use the default Microsoft starting page, click on Use Default.
- If you wish to start the program with a blank page, click on Use Blank.
- If you wish to use another starting page, enter the full URL into the Address box.
- Click on the OK button to close the Internet Options dialog box.

7.1.3.3 Display a web page in a new window

To display a specific web page
- Open the Internet Explorer program.
- In the Address section of the program window enter the full URL (http://www/etc Web address) which you wish to display. Thus if you wanted to see the Microsoft home page, you would enter the URL: http://www.microsoft.com

To force a web page to display within a new window.
- Right click on the hyperlink, and from the popup menu displayed, select the Open in New Window command.
TIP: Another way to do this is to depress the Shift key whilst clicking on a hyperlink. This may not always work however, it depends on what version of Internet Explorer you are using.

7.1.3.4 Stop a Web page from downloading.

To stop a page downloading (once it has started downloading)
- A web page may start loading within your web browser and take so long to display anything that you may wish to stop the download and look at something else. Click on the Stop icon to stop the download.

7.1.3.5 Refresh a Web page.

What is web page refreshing?
- Many web pages change their content rapidly. However your web browser may download the page once and display the information and not then go back to see if the page has changed. Refreshing the web page forces the web browser to see if there is an updated version of the page.

Many web browsers will cache pages which you have visited. This means that the web browser will store a copy of that web page on your hard disk. The reason for this is that if you wish to revisit that page again, then the page can be quickly loaded from your hard disk rather than having to be slowly downloaded to your computer via the net. Clicking on the Refresh icon, forces the web browser to check for a later version of the page via the Internet and to download it.

To refresh a page download
- Click on the Refresh icon. If clicking on the Refresh icon does not seen to do what you want, try pressing the Shift key while clicking on the Refresh icon.
7.1.3.6 Use available Help functions.

The Help drop down menu
- Click on the Help drop down menu and select the command which you require. Remember that if you move the mouse arrow to the down arrow at the bottom of the menu, the menu will expand to show all available commands, as illustrated.

Microsoft Internet Explorer Help dialog box
- Selecting this option from the Help drop down menu will display the Help dialog box, as illustrated. There are three tabs from which you can select: Contents, Index and Search.

Microsoft Internet Explorer Help - Contents Tab
- Select the Contents tab within the Microsoft Internet Explorer Help dialog box will display the following window.
In the left side of the window, topics are listed. Clicking on any of the small book symbols will expand the options available, as illustrated. Clicking on a topic in the left section will display information in the right section of the window.

Microsoft Internet Explorer Help - Index Tab

- Selecting the Answer Wizard tab within the Microsoft Internet Explorer Help dialog box will display the following window.
• Type in a question. In the example shown, we have asked about the 'Home Page'.

• Double clicking on 'changing' will display the following information.

Microsoft Internet Explorer Help - Search Tab

• Selecting the Index tab within the Microsoft Internet Explorer Help dialog box will display the following window.
Enter the item which you wish to search for. In the example shown we have entered 'Home Page', and then pressed the Enter key.

Double click on the item of interest, such as 'Change your home page'.

Send Feedback
• Clicking on this option under the Help drop down menu will display a following dialog box, which allows you to send feedback and comments to Microsoft.

Tip of the Day
• Clicking on this option under the Help drop down menu will display a tip as illustrated.
For Netscape Users

- Clicking on this option under the **Help** drop down menu will display the following dialog box. Explore the options and see how to do things within the Microsoft Explorer which you may already be familiar with when using the Netscape Browser.

![Microsoft Internet Explorer Help](image)

**Tips for Netscape users**

- Whether you are switching from Netscape Navigator or just want to use more than one browser, it's easy to learn and use Internet Explorer. From keyboard shortcuts to bookmarks, you can make the transition simple and fast.
- Keep unique and separate settings for Internet Explorer and Netscape Navigator. If you installed another Web browser after installing Internet Explorer and Internet Tools, extra of your Internet Explorer settings may have changed. For more information see: Reseting Internet Explorer settings.
- Compare terms in Navigator and Internet Explorer. Although these programs are quite similar, there are a few differences in terminology. For more information, see: Browser terms in Navigator and Internet Explorer.
- Keep all of your bookmarks as favorites. Internet Explorer automatically imports all of your bookmarks (without altering your bookmarks as they are displayed in Navigator) as Internet Explorer favorites. For more information, see: Sharing bookmarks and Favorites.
- Use your favorite keyboard shortcuts. Internet Explorer and Navigator share many of the same keyboard shortcuts. In addition, Internet Explorer is fully accessible using the keyboard, so you can park your mouse if you want to. For more information, see: ...

Taking the Internet Explorer tour

- Click on the **Help** drop down menu and then click on the **Tour** command. You will be connected to a section of the Microsoft Web site from where you can gain information about topics such as surfing the Web.

![Internet Explorer Tour](image)
Below is an example of the sort of help available.

Online Support

- Selecting this option under the **Help** drop down menu will display the following dialog box. Use these links to get help about technical issues surrounding Internet Explorer.

About Microsoft Internet Explorer

- Clicking on this option under the **Help** drop down menu will display the following dialog box. This screen will display the exact release version of the application. It will also display your Product ID (removed in the illustration for security reasons).
7.1.4 Adjust Settings

7.1.4.1 Display or hide built-in toolbars.

To hide or display toolbars within the Microsoft Internet Explorer.
- Click on the View drop down menu and select the Toolbar command. This will display a submenu, from which you can opt to display or hide toolbars.

7.1.4.2 Display or hide images on a Web page.

Displaying images within the Internet Explorer program
- By default Microsoft Internet Explorer will automatically display any images within a Web page. You may choose to turn this feature off to speed the loading of Web pages but because of the graphical nature of the Web this is somewhat missing the point.
To set Microsoft Internet Explorer to not display images

- Click on the **Tools** drop down menu and select the **Internet Options** command.
- Click on the **Advanced** tab within the dialog box.
- Scroll down until you see the option relating to **Show Pictures**.

- Removing the tick next to this option will mean that the browser will load pages, but not display any pictures which might be contained within the pages.
- You may have to close and then re-start your browser to see the effect of this change.

To set Microsoft Internet Explorer to display images

- Click on the **Tools** drop down menu and select the **Internet Options** command.
- Click on the **Advanced** tab within the dialog box.
- Scroll down until you see the option relating to **Show Pictures**.
- Make sure that this option is selected and then click on the **OK** button to close the dialog box.
- You may have to close and then re-start your browser to see the effect of this change.

7.1.4.3 Display previously visited URLs using the browser address bar
To use the browser address bar to revisit URLs
- Click on the down arrow to the right of the Address bar and select from the list displayed.

What is the history trail cache?
- The history trail is a list of previously visited web sites. You can even use links within the list to revisit these sites.

To view the history trail
- Click on the History icon.

A display box is displayed down the left side of the screen. Within this you can select how to display pages you have visited, (i.e. today's, last week etc)

- Clicking on links within the history window will display the relevant web pages.

7.1.4.4 Delete browsing history

To delete the history trail
- Click on the Tools drop down menu and select the Internet Options command.
- Make sure that the General tab is selected within the dialog box.
- Within the History section of the dialog box, click on the Clear History button.
7.2 Web Navigation

7.2.1 Accessing Web Pages

7.2.1.1 Go to a URL (Uniform Resource Locator)

To go directly to a Web page
- If you have a Web page address such as http://www.microsoft.com you could simply enter this into the URL Address bar at the top of the Microsoft Internet Explorer program, and when you press the Enter key the desired Internet site will be displayed.

7.2.1.2 Activate a hyperlink/image link.

To activate an Internet link
- As you move the mouse pointer over an Internet page displayed within your web browser, occasionally you will notice that the mouse pointer shape changes to the shape of a hand (pointing upwards). The pointer changes to indicate a hyperlink. Some hyperlinks are text based, while others are embedded within pictures. On well-designed web sites, you will also see popup displayed if you leave the mouse pointer over an image which contains a hyperlink. An example of a hyperlink popup is illustrated below.

- Click on the hyperlink and the page you are viewing will be replaced by the page which you have just linked to.

NOTE: In some cases (depending of how the web designer wrote the web site), when you click on a hyperlink, a second copy of the web browser program will be started, and the linked page will be displayed within the
second window. When you close the second window you will see the original page displayed.

### 7.2.1.3 Navigate backwards and forwards between previously visited Web pages.

#### Navigating through a Web site
- In the example shown we have opened the Microsoft home page located at http://www.microsoft.com

By default, text which is displayed as underlined blue text indicates a hyperlink. Clicking on one of these hyperlinks will take us to another page on the Web site. Any well-designed Web site should always have a text or button link called *Home* (or something similar) which will take you back to the home page (i.e. the starting page) of that Web site.

In the example shown there is a graphic displaying the words "*The Business Internet*". When we move the mouse pointer to this graphic the pointer changes to the shape of a hand, indicating that this is a graphical hyperlink.

Sure enough, if you click on this graphical hyperlink we see the following page displayed.
Using the Back button

- A quick way to go back to the last Web page you visited is to use the Internet Explorer **Back** button. On badly designed sites this may be the only way to escape from the page you are viewing.

**TIP:** Clicking on the down arrow to the right of the **Back** button will display a short list of recently visited pages, allowing you to jump back to a previous page. This is especially useful if you get "stuck" in a site.

Using the Forward button

- If you have been navigating forwards and backwards through the pages of a web site, the Forward button will, as the name implies, take you forward a page.

7.2.1.4 Complete a web based form and enter information in order to carry out a transaction
Completing a web based form
- In most cases a web-based form will look similar to the equivalent printed form. You can enter data in the normal way, sometimes selecting options from drop down menus.
- Normally you need to use the Tab key (not the Enter key) to move from one field to the next field within the form. When you have finished, there is often a button at the bottom of the form (called Submit, or something similar).
- Clicking on this button will transmit the form across the Internet.

7.2.2 Using Bookmarks

What is a favourite (bookmark)?
- You can use your browser to create favourites (bookmarks) of interesting Web pages which you have found. This is similar to the concept of placing a bookmark in a real book. The big advantage is that you can bookmark lots of interesting sites which you have come across and easily visit them again in the future. Also you can group similar sites together.

7.2.2.1 Bookmark a Web page.

To add a Web page to your favourites
- When you wish to add the current page to your favourites, click on the Favourites drop down menu (NOT the favourites icon). This will display a drop down menu, from which you should select the Add to favourites command. This will display a dialog box, as illustrated.

- To simply add the current page to your favourites, click on the OK button.
7.2.2.2 Display a bookmarked Web page.

To open a bookmark (favourite)
- Click on the **Favorites** drop down menu.
- Select the item within your favourites list. The correct URL will be entered into the **Address** bar and the Web page will be displayed.

7.2.3 Organising Bookmarks

7.2.3.1 Create a bookmark folder.

To create a new folder within your favourites
- Click on the **Favorites** drop down menu and then select the **Organize Favorites** command, which will display the **Organize Favorites** dialog box.
- Click on the **Create Folder** button.
- Enter the name of the new folder and then press the **Enter** key.

To organise your favourites
- Click on the **Favorites** drop down menu and then select the **Organize Favorites** command, which will display the **Organize Favorites** dialog box.

You can use the usual Microsoft Explorer type commands to create new folders and also drag and drop the contents of one folder to another within the dialog box.
7.2.3.2 Add Web pages to a bookmark folder.

To add a web page to a particular bookmark folder
- Click on the Favorites drop down menu, and select the Add to Favorites command. This will display a dialog box.

![Add Favorite Dialog Box]

- Select the folder to which you wish to add the Favourite, such as Dave's Training Sites in the example illustrated. Click on the OK command.

7.2.3.3 Delete a bookmark.

To delete or rename a bookmark
- Click on the Favorites drop down menu and then select the Organize Favorites command, which will display the Organize Favorites dialog box.
- Select the items which you wish to rename or delete and then click on the Rename or Delete button.
7.3 Web Searching

7.3.1 Using a Search Engine

7.3.1.1 Select a specific search engine.

Examples of Search Engines
- Some of the major search engines include:
  
  - Ask Jeeves http://www.ask.com
  - HotBot http://www.hotbot.com
  - Google http://www.google.com
  - Lycos http://www.lycos.com
  - MSN http://www.msn.com
  - Yahoo http://www.yahoo.com

  To use any of these enter the Search Engine URL into the address bar of your browser and then press the Enter key. Alternatively, click on the Search icon within your browser to see a list of search engines.

7.3.1.2 Carry out a search for specific information using a keyword phrase.

Using keywords and phrases
- Many people think that when you use a search engine, such as Google, it will magically search the entire Web and find the information which you require. The first thing to understand is that a search engine like Google will only search through a list which it maintains of sites which have been registered with that particular search engine. This accounts in part for the widely differing results you sometimes get when you search using different search engines. Also each search engine has different criteria for ranking search results, i.e. the order in which search results are displayed on your page. These search results are often displayed 10 per page, with a brief description about each site which it has found matching your requirements. In general it is better to use two or more words, or a short phrase when searching for information.
7.3.1.3 Combine selection criteria in a search.

**Don't use a single search word**
- Normally you should use two (or more) words or a short phrase rather than a single word when using a search engine. Try to use unique words which directly relate to what you are searching for. For instance if you are searching for information about computer training then search for “computer training”, not just “training”, which would include all sorts of training.

**Using + and " symbols to narrow your search**
- If you search using two words such as computer training, then often a search engine will go off and find all the pages which it knows about relating to "computer", "training" and "computer training". This could include all types of training, not just computer training.

To get round this problem most search engines allow you to insert a + symbol between your words, this means that you only want to find pages containing all your words.

Sometimes you would be better enclosing your search phrase with quotation (" ) symbols. This will then mean that you want to find the exact phrase which you have entered. Thus if you search for “Cheltenham Computer Training”, using the quotation marks, then you should find the company easier than not using the quotes.

**NOTE**: Search engine options will vary from one search engine to another. Always use the on-line Help available. Also search engines will evolve and change over time.

7.3.1.4 Duplicate text, image, URL from a Web page to a document

**To copy a web image from a web page to a document**
- If you are using Microsoft Internet Explorer, right click on the image within the web page, and select the **Copy** command.
• This will copy the image to the Clipboard. The image can then be pasted into a document using the normal Paste command. If this does not work for some reason you will have to select the Save Picture As command, and save the image to disk. This picture can then be imported into the document.

• If you are using the Netscape web browser, right click on the image and select the Save Image As command.

To copy a web address from a web page to a document
• If you are using Microsoft’s Internet Explorer web browser, right-click over a web address hyperlink and then select the Copy Shortcut command. You can then paste the web address from the Clipboard into your document.
If you are using the Netscape web browser, right-click over a web address hyperlink and then select the **Copy Link Location** command. You can then paste the web address from the Clipboard into your document.

### 7.3.1.5 Save a Web page to a location on a drive as a txt file, html file.

**To save a web page as a specific file type**

- Display the web page which you wish to save to disk.
- Click on the **File** drop down menu and select the **Save As** command.
- Click on the down arrow to the right of the **Save as type** section of the dialog box.

- Select the required file format.
- Make other selections using the dialog box as required, such a file name and location.
- Click on the **Save** button.
7.3.1.6 Download text file, image file, sound file, video file, software, from a Web page to a location on a drive.

To download files from a web page to a document
- The most reliable way to download a file is to right click on the hyperlink within the web page. A popup dialog box will be displayed. If you are using Microsoft's Internet Explorer web browser, select the **Save Target As** command and use the dialog box which is displayed to save the file to a particular place.

7.3.2 Preparation

7.3.2.1 Preview a Web page.

To preview a web page before printing
- Click on the **File** drop down menu and select the **Print Preview** command. The web page will be displayed on screen as it would be printed.
- If necessary, use the arrows on the toolbar to view other pages.
- Once finished, click on the **Close** button to leave **Print Preview** mode.

7.3.2.2 Change Web page orientation – portrait or landscape, paper size.

To setup your page using Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Using Microsoft Internet Explorer, click on the **File** drop down menu and select the **Page Setup** command to display the **Page Setup** dialog box. From here you can set paper size, orientation, margins and also choose whether to use headers and footers.
7.3.2.3 Change Web page margins top, bottom, left, right.

To change your web page margins
- Using Microsoft Internet Explorer, click on the **File** drop down menu and select the **Page Setup** command to display the **Page Setup** dialog box. Within the Margins section of the dialog box, select the required, top, bottom, left or right margins.

7.3.3 Printing

7.3.3.1 Choose Web page print output options such as: entire web page, specified pages, specified frame, selected text, number of copies and print
To print a web page

• To print a page displayed within Microsoft Internet Explorer, you would normally simply click on the Print icon located in the application toolbars. If you want more control over printing, click on the File drop down menu and select the Print command. This will display the Print dialog box, from where you can select options such as the number of pages which you wish to print, which physical printer you wish to use.

To print selected frames within a framed Web site

• Many Web sites use what are called frames. This is commonly used when the Web designers wish to display a menu of options down, say, the left hand side of the screen. These menu buttons stay on the screen when you navigate through the Web site, only the data in the right part of the screen changes. Printing from sites like this can be problematic.

• If you open the Print dialog box, you will see you have the ability to Print frame ... As laid out on the screen or All frames individually. You should experiment using both options as different sites use different frame layouts.

To print selected text on a web page

• View the web page containing the text you wish to print.
• Move your mouse pointer to the start of the text.
• Hold down the left mouse button and move (drag) your mouse across the text to be printed. The text will be highlighted.
• Release the mouse button and the text will remain highlighted.
• Click on the File drop down menu and select the Print command. The Print dialog box will be displayed.
• From the Print Range section of the dialog box select the Selection option.

• Click on the OK button to print the selected text.
7.4 Electronic Mail

7.4.1 Concepts / Terms

7.4.1.1 Understand the make-up and structure of an E-mail address.

The structure of an email address
- Take a typical email address:

  jane@hotmail.com

  The first part of the address “jane”, is the user name and indicates the person to whom the email is addressed.

  The “@” symbol marks the end of the user name.

  The “@” symbol is followed by one or more sub-domains, separated by periods. In the example above the “hotmail” is the sub-domain. Sub-domains are registered by organisations or individuals to give themselves an internet identity.

  At the very end of the email address is the TLD or Top Level Domain. In the example the TLD is “.com”, indicating an international company. There are other TLDs such as “.net”, “.org”, “.biz” and “.info” designed to help you identify different types of organisation.

7.4.1.2 Understand the advantages of E-mail systems such as: speed of delivery, low cost, flexibility of using a Web-based e-mail account in different locations.

The advantages of using email
- **High speed**: One of the great things about email is that you can send messages and files to anyone in the world, almost instantly.

- **Low cost**: The cost of sending information by email is a fraction of that involved when using the traditional mail system, especially when emailing to a different country.
• **Worldwide portability**: Once you have an email account set up, you should be able to access your email from anywhere which has an Internet connection. Even many holiday hotels now have an email connection for customers.

• **Time zone friendly**: If you live in Europe and phone someone in the western United States at 9 am locally, you would either get no answer (because the office in the US would be empty), or you could be waking them up in the middle of the night. The great thing about sending an email is that you can send it anytime you want and the recipient will read the mail when they want.

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7.4.1.3 **Understand the importance of network etiquette (netiquette)** such as: using accurate descriptions in subject lines of e-mail messages, use of brevity in replying to E-mails, spell check outgoing E-mails.

**What is Netiquette?**

- **Use short, accurate subject descriptions**: In a busy office situation, a person may receive many emails a day. Prior to opening the email the only indication that an email might be relevant to that person is the email subject header. Keep this simple, short and to the point. Avoid using all upper case letters in a message: The use of letters in UPPER CASE is considered as shouting within an email. Use of all upper case (or all lower case) can also make the message difficult to read.

- **Be brief**: People tend to 'skim read' email messages. If they are too long the chances are that the recipient will miss important information buried within the message.

- **Use the spell checker**: Never send an email without spell checking the contents first. This can give a really poor impression about your organisation.

- **Respect privacy and confidentially**: Never quote part of one person’s email within another email without permission. In many cases there is a message attached to the bottom of emails, stating that the contents of the email are confidential.

- **Don’t ‘Flame’**: If some idiot emails you over something which is inappropriate, do not respond and get into a series of increasingly hostile email exchanges. This is called flaming. Never reply to unsolicited email (spam), unless you want to receive even more rubbish in your email inbox.
7.4.2 Security Considerations

7.4.2.1 Be aware of the possibility of receiving unsolicited mail (spam)

The disadvantages of using email

- **Spam**: There are companies which will sell lists of email addresses by the million. If you are a regular Internet user, then the chances are that the providers of these lists will pick up your email address (using a variety of sneaky techniques). As more and more companies buy in these lists and use them in their marketing campaigns, you will receive more and more spam emails, offering you an increasingly bizarre range of products and services. In many countries the sending of spam is now against the law.

- **Compatibility issues**: If you are sending a simple text message then normally you do not have to worry about who is going to receive the email, and what sort of email software they will be using. Even with text however there can be problems. If you want to use the British pound symbol (£), then you may find that the currency symbol is not displayed in the recipients email. In this example it is better to use the term GBP, which is short of Great Britain Pound. If you are attaching a file, such as a Microsoft Word document, there is even more scope for compatibility issues to arise, and in some cases you will find that the recipient is unable to save the attached file.

- **Small emails box sizes**: If you use a free email service, such as a Yahoo mail account, you will be given only a small, free mailbox. Once this box is full you either have to delete some of your messages, or purchase a larger mailbox.

7.4.2.2 Be aware of the danger of infecting the computer with a virus by opening an unrecognised mail message with an attachment contained within an unrecognised mail message

Take care when dealing with unsolicited mail

- **Virus transmission**: Be very careful about opening files which are attached to email messages as they may contain viruses!

7.4.2.3 Know what a digital signature is
What is a digital signature?
• A digital signature is a code which is attached to an email to uniquely identify the sender. Like a traditional hand written signature the purpose of the digital signature is to guarantee that the sender of the message is who he or she claims to be. Digital signatures employ sophisticated encryption techniques to ensure that they cannot be counterfeited.

7.4.3 First Steps with e-mail

7.4.3.1 Open (and close) an e-mail application.

To start Outlook using the Start menu
• Click on the Start button to display the start menu. Click on Programs to display the programs submenu. Click on the Microsoft Outlook command.

The Microsoft Outlook Screen
• Examine the outlook screen and get familiar with the various elements.

The Microsoft Outlook Bar
• The many components of Outlook are organised into folders. There are separate folders for your messages, appointments, notes, tasks etc. You can open these folders by clicking the appropriate icon on the Outlook bar. The Outlook Shortcuts group is selected by default. The Outlook bar is divided
into three groups called:
- Outlook Shortcuts
- My Shortcuts
- Other Shortcuts

**The Microsoft Outlook Standard Toolbar**

- The standard toolbar displays a row of icons, clicking on these icons gives you quick and direct access to the most commonly used commands without having to locate them on the drop down menus. The icons displayed on the standard toolbar will change, depending on which folder you are currently working in.

**To close Outlook**

- Click the Close icon in the top right hand corner of the Outlook screen
  OR click on the File drop down menu and select the Exit command
  OR press Alt+F4.

  **NOTE:** Some networks may require you to use the Exit and Log Off command. If you are unsure ask your tutor.

**7.4.3.2 Open a mail inbox for a specified user.**

**The Inbox Folder**

- Outlook enables you to send electronic mail or email to people on the company network or the Internet; this is achieved through the use of the Inbox. The Inbox, as the name suggests, is the computerised equivalent of the traditional in tray. All incoming messages are placed in the inbox, you can then read, print, reply to these messages as required.

**To open the Inbox folder**

- Click the Inbox icon on the Outlook bar

  **NOTE:** Outlook will display the number of unread messages, if any, underneath the Inbox icon.
The Inbox Screen
- By default, Outlook displays the Inbox using the **Messages** view. The messages are listed one per line down the screen, the message flags, sender’s email address and the date the message was received are displayed for each message. The Preview pane occupies the lower half of the screen; this displays the text of the selected message.

To switch to Messages view
- If necessary, open the **Inbox** folder.
- Click on the **View** drop down menu and select the **Current View** command.
- Select **Messages** from the submenu.

To select a message
- If necessary, open the **Inbox** folder.
- Click on the appropriate message in the message list.

Message Status Icons
- Outlook displays icons to the left of the message to indicate the message status:
  - 💌 The message has not been read
  - ☛ The message has an attachment
  - 🗨️ The message has been read
  - 🚨 The message has high importance
  - 💯 The message has been replied to
  - ↓ The message has low importance
  - ⌚️ The message contains information about a meeting
  - 📢 The message is a delivery confirmation
  - 🔄 The message contains information about a task
  - 🔄 The message is read confirmation
  - ⚠ The message has been flagged
  - ⚠️ The message is notification of a failed delivery
7.4.3.3 Open one, several mail messages.

To check for new messages
- If necessary, open the **Inbox** folder.
- Click the **Send and Receive** icon, located on the **Standard** toolbar

OR press the **F5** key.

To read a message
- Double click on the message you wish to read to open the **Message** dialog box.

The message header, as illustrated, displays the details of the message in 5 fields:

- **From**: The name or email address of the person who sent the message
- **To**: The names or email addresses of the recipients of the message are listed here, separated by a semicolon
- **Cc**: The names or email addresses of persons receiving a copy of the message are listed here, separated by a semicolon
- **Subject**: A short description of the message topic
- **Sent**: Date message was sent

- Once you have read the message, close the **Message** dialog box by clicking on the **Close** icon in the top right of the **Message** dialog box
  OR click on the **Message** dialog box **File** drop down menu and select the **Close** command
  OR press **Alt+F4**.
To print a message

- If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
- Double click on the message you wish to print to open the Message dialog box.
- Click the Print icon on the Message dialog box toolbar.

To delete a message

- If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
- Select the message you wish to delete.
- Press the Delete key OR click on the Delete icon, located on the Standard toolbar.

NOTE: An email deleted using this method is not removed from the system, it is moved to the Deleted Items folder.

7.4.3.4 Switch between open messages.

To switch between open Message windows

- To view another open message, simply click on the item in your Windows Taskbar.

7.4.3.5 Close a mail message.

To close a Message Window

- Within the Message window, click on the File drop down menu and select the Close command. Alternatively, select the Message window you want to close and press the Alt+F4 key combination.
7.4.3.6 Use application Help functions.

Today's Tip
- By default Outlook will display a "tip of the day" each time you start Outlook. If you take the time to read these tips as they are displayed, then you will soon find that you are on the way to becoming an Outlook expert.

What is the Microsoft Office Assistant?
- By default this friendly little creature will watch what you do and offer tips on how to work more productively. You can ask it questions in plain English. Occasionally the Office Assistant will display information on the screen. If you are unsure about how to use this product you should always read the help offered. You can choose to implement the tip, have it explained, or ignore the tip.

To display the Office Assistant
- The Office Assistant is displayed by default. If the assistant has been hidden and you wish to reactivate it, click on the Microsoft Outlook Help icon.

To hide the Office Assistant
- Right click on the Office Assistant and from the menu displayed, click on the Hide command.
"What is this" Help

- Within many dialog boxes you will see a question mark symbol in the top-right corner of the dialog box. Not all dialog boxes have this feature however. To use "What is this", click on the question mark and then click on the item in the dialog box which you do not understand. A popup help dialog box will be displayed.

The Help drop down menu

- Click on the Help drop down menu and select the command which you require. Remember that if you move the mouse arrow to the down arrow at the bottom of the menu, the menu will expand to show all available commands, as illustrated.

Microsoft Outlook Help dialog box

- Selecting this option from the Help drop down menu will display the Help dialog box, as illustrated. There are three tabs from which you can select: Contents, Answer Wizard and Index.
Microsoft Outlook Help - Contents Tab

- Selecting the Contents tab within the Microsoft Outlook Help dialog box will display the following window.

- In the left side of the window, topics are listed. Clicking on any of the plus symbols will expand the options available, as illustrated.
Microsoft Outlook Help – Answer Wizard Tab

• Selecting the **Answer Wizard** tab within the **Microsoft Outlook Help** dialog box will display the following window.

![Answer Wizard Tab](image)

• Type in a question and click on the **Search** button. In the example shown, we have asked about setting page margins.

![Search Button](image)

• Clicking on the **Search** button will display the following information.

![Search Result](image)
Microsoft Outlook Help – Index Tab

- Selecting the **Index** tab within the **Microsoft Outlook Help** dialog box will display the following window.

![Microsoft Outlook Help Index Tab](image)

- Scrolling down the list on the left and double clicking on an item will display the required help on the right. Or you might enter a keyword and click on the **Search** button.

Office on the Web

- Clicking on this option under the **Help** drop down menu will display the following dialog box. Click on the area of the map relating to your locations, and follow the on-screen directions.

![Office on the Web](image)

Detect and Repair

- Selecting this option under the **Help** drop down menu will display the following dialog box. Click on the **Start** button and follow through the on-screen prompts.
About Microsoft Outlook

- Clicking on this option under the Help drop down menu will display the following dialog box. This screen will display the exact release version of the application. It will also display your Product ID (removed in the illustration for security reasons).

7.4.4 Adjust Settings

7.4.4.1 Add, remove message inbox headings such as sender, subject, date received.

To remove an Inbox heading

- Open the Inbox folder. To remove a heading (e.g. Subject), right click on the heading and select the Remove This Column command.
To add an Inbox heading

- Open the **Inbox** folder.
- Right click on any of the current headings and select the **Field Chooser** command from the menu. The **Field Chooser** window will be displayed.

- Available column headings are listed in the centre of the **Field Chooser** window. To view a different selection of column headings, select from the drop down list at the top of the window.
- Once you have located the column heading you want to add to the Inbox, simply drag and drop the heading on top of the existing column headings.

**7.4.4.2 Display, hide built-in toolbars.**

To display or hide a toolbar

- To display a toolbar, select the **Toolbars** command from the **View** menu to display the **Toolbars** drop down menu. A list of toolbars is displayed. Choose the **Toolbar** you want to display by clicking on it from the list.

Quick way of displaying / hiding toolbars

- A quick way of displaying/hiding toolbars is to right click on an existing toolbar, this will display the **Toolbars** drop down menu, from which you can select or de-select toolbars.
7.5 Messaging

7.5.1 Read a Message

7.5.1.1 Flag a mail message. Remove a flag mark from a mail message.

To flag a message
- You can mark or flag messages in your Inbox to remind you to respond to the email.
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
- Double click on the message you wish to flag to display the Message dialog box.
- Click the Flag for Follow Up icon on the Message dialog box toolbar to display the Flag for Follow Up dialog box.

![](Image)

- Click the down arrow to the right of the Flag to text box to display a list of flag types. Select the flag you require.

- You may also set a due date for the flag by clicking the down arrow to the right of the Due by text box and selecting the required date from the displayed calendar.
- Click on the OK button to set the flag and close the Flag for Follow Up dialog box.

To remove a flag mark from a mail message
- Double click on the message with the flag you wish to clear to display the Message dialog box.
- Click the Flag for Follow Up icon on the Message dialog box toolbar to display the Flag for Follow Up dialog box.
• Click on the Clear Flag button.

### 7.5.1.2 Mark a message as unread, read

To mark a message as unread.
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
- Right click on the message and select the Mark as Unread option.

To mark a message as read.
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
- Right click on the message and select the Mark as Read option.

### 7.5.1.3 Open and save a file attachment to a location on a drive

To open an attached file
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder. Double click on the message containing the attached file to open the Message dialog box. Double click on the file icon. Outlook will start the appropriate application and open the file.

To save a file attached to a message
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder. Double click on the message containing the file you wish to save to display the Message dialog box.
- Click on the Message dialog box File drop down menu and select the Save Attachments command. If the message contains more than one attached file, the Save All Attachments dialog box will be displayed enabling you to select the files you wish to save. Select the files as required and click on the OK button.
- The Save Attachment or Save All Attachments dialog box will be displayed. Select the folder you wish to save in and click on the Save button.
- If necessary, click on the Close button to close the Save All Attachments dialog box.
7.5.2 Reply to a Message

7.5.2.1 Use the reply, reply to all function.

To reply to the sender of a message
• If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
• Select the message you want to reply to.
• Click on the Reply icon on the Standard toolbar

![Reply]

• The Message dialog box will open and the text of the original message appears in the message window. Type your reply above the text of the original message and then click the Send icon on the Message dialog box toolbar.

![Send]

To reply to the sender and all recipients of a message
• If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
• Select the message you want to reply to.
• Click the Reply to All icon on the Standard toolbar.

![Reply to All]

• The Message dialog box will open and the text of the original message appears in the message window. Type your reply above the text of the original message and then click the Send icon on the Message dialog box toolbar.

![Send]

7.5.2.2 Reply with, without original message insertion.

To set message reply options so that the original message is inserted, or not inserted
• Open the Inbox folder.
• Click on the Tools drop down menu and select the Options command to display the Options dialog box.
• Select the Preferences tab and click on the E-mail Options button. The E-mail Options dialog box will be displayed.
• Select Include original message text or Do not include original message from the When replying to a message drop down list.

- Click on OK to close the E-mail Options dialog box.
- Click on the OK button to close the Options dialog box.

7.5.3 Send a Message

7.5.3.1 Create a new message.

To open the Inbox folder
• Click the Inbox icon on the Outlook bar OR press Ctrl-Shift-I
• OR click the View drop down menu, select Go To followed by the Inbox command.

To create a new message
• Open the Inbox folder.
• Select the New Mail Message icon from the Standard toolbar OR press Ctrl-N to display the Message window.

• Enter your message into the message text area in the lower half of the dialog box.

7.5.3.2 Insert a mail address in the ‘To’ field.
To address an Email

- Type the email address of the person you wish to send the message to into the To text box.

```
To:    billgates@microsoft.com
```

To use the Select Names dialog box

- Click the To button to open the Select Names dialog box.
- Select the name of the person you wish to send the message to from the list. To view names from other folders, such as your contacts, click the down arrow to the right of the Show names from the box and select from the list. Click one of the following buttons:

```
To:->   Send the message to the selected person.
Cc:->   Send a Carbon Copy of the message to the selected person.
Bcc:->  Send the message to the selected person as a Blind Carbon Copy. A blind carbon copy is a copy of the message which is sent to someone in secret, other recipients of the message will not know that the selected person has received the message.
```
- You may select additional recipients for the message from the names list by repeating the procedure outlined above.
- Click the OK button to close the Select Names dialog box and return to the Message window.

7.5.3.3 Copy (Cc), blind copy (Bcc) a message to another address/addresses

To send a copy of a message to another address

- Whilst composing your message in the Message window, enter the address of the person you want to send a copy to into the Cc text box.

```
To:      sales@cctglobal.com
Cc:      rob@me.com@ex.co.uk
```
• In the example above the message is addressed to sales@cctglobal.com, in addition a copy of the message will also be sent to robertnewman@excite.co.uk

**What is a blind carbon copy?**

• A blind carbon copy is a copy of the message which is sent to someone in secret, other recipients of the message will not know that the person has received the message.

**To send a copy of a message to another address using blind carbon copy**

• Whilst composing your message in the Message window, display the Bcc field by clicking on the View drop down menu and selecting the Bcc Field command.

• Type the address of the person you wish to received the blind carbon copy into the Bcc text box. In the example shown the message is addressed to sales@cctglobal.com, in addition a copy of the message will also be sent to robertnewman@excite.co.uk without the knowledge of the other recipients.

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**7.5.3.4 Insert a title in the ‘Subject’ field.**

**To set the message subject**

• Enter a short overview of the message into the Subject text box.

Subject: Bugs in your software

**7.5.3.5 Use a spell-checking tool if available and make changes such as: correcting errors, deleting repeated words.**

**To spell check your message**

• Click within the Message window message text area.
• Click the **Message** window **Tools** drop down menu and select the **Spelling** command
  
  OR press the **F7** key to spell check your message. If Outlook encounters a word it thinks is spelt incorrectly the **Spelling** dialog box will be displayed.

• The incorrectly spelt word is displayed in the **Not in Dictionary** text box. The **Suggestions** list displays a list of possible spellings.

• Select the correct spelling from the **Suggestions** list or type the correct spelling into the **Change to** text box.

  **Ignore**: Ignore the word in the Not in Dictionary box.

  **Ignore All**: Ignore all occurrences of the word in the Not in Dictionary box.

  **Change**: Replace the incorrectly spelt word with the word in the **Change to** box.

  **Change All**: Replace all occurrences of the incorrectly spelt word with the word in the **Change to** box.

  **Add**: Add the word in the **Not in Dictionary** text box to the dictionary.

• Once the spell check has been completed, the following dialog box will be displayed. Click the **OK** button or press **Enter** to close the dialog box.

![Microsoft Outlook](image)

**7.5.3.6 Attach a file to a message.**

**To insert a file into a message**

• Email is not restricted to just simple text messages, you can also insert files into messages. For example, if you had to send a copy of your budget to your manager, simply insert a copy of the spreadsheet into a message. There are no restrictions on the types of file which can be inserted into a message.

• Once you have finished entering the text of your message, click the **Insert File** icon on the **Message** window toolbar
  
  OR click the **Insert** drop down menu and select the **File** command.

• The **Insert File** dialog box will be displayed. Select the file you wish to attach to the message.
• Select **OK** to close the **Insert File** dialog box. An icon will appear inside the message text area to indicate the presence of a file.

### 7.5.3.7 Send a message with high or low priority.

**To open the Message Options dialog box**
• Click on the **Options** icon, located on the **Message** dialog box toolbar to display the **Message Options** dialog box.

![Options icon](image)

**To set message importance**
• Click the down arrow to the right of the **Importance** box and select from the menu displayed.

![Importance options](image)

**To set message sensitivity**
• To set the sensitivity of the message, click the down arrow to the right of the **Sensitivity** box and select from the menu displayed.

![Sensitivity options](image)

### 7.5.3.8 Send a message using a distribution list.

**To reply to a message sent to a distribution list**
• Open the **Inbox** folder. Select the message you wish to reply to.
• Click on the **Reply to All** icon and your response will be sent to the sender and all members of the distribution list.

![Reply to All icon](image)
OR click on the Reply icon and your response will be sent only to the sender of the message.

7.5.3.9 Forward a message.

To forward a message
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder. Select the message you wish to forward.
- Select the Forward icon from the Standard toolbar; the Message dialog box will be displayed.
- Type the email address of the person you wish to forward the message to into the To text box OR click the To button and select from the Select Names dialog box.
- You may enter any comments about the message above the original message in the message text area of the Message dialog box.
- Send the message by clicking the Send icon on the Message dialog box toolbar.

7.5.4 Duplicate, Move, Delete

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To select a word within the Message window
- Double click on the word.

To select a line within the Message window
- Move the mouse pointer to the left of the line you wish to select, until the mouse pointer changes from an I bar, to an arrow pointing upwards and to the right. You are now in the “Selection Bar”, a hidden screen element.
- Click once with the mouse button to select the line.
To select a paragraph within the Message window

- Move the mouse pointer within the paragraph which you wish to select and click three times.

To select all text within the Message window

- Press Ctrl+A
  OR select the Select All command, located under the Edit drop down menu.

To select text using the mouse

- Move the mouse pointer to the start of the text you wish to select.
- Hold down the mouse button and drag across the text to select.
- Release the mouse button.

7.5.4.1 Duplicate, move text within a message or between other active messages.

To copy text to the Clipboard from a message

- Within the Message window, select the text you wish to copy to the Clipboard.
- From the Edit menu select the Copy command
  OR press Ctrl+C, to move the item to the Clipboard without removing it from the document
  OR you can also use the Copy icon on the Standard toolbar.

To paste text from the Clipboard into a message

- Within the Message window, position the insertion point at the location within your message where you want to insert the contents of the Clipboard.
- From the Edit menu, choose the Paste command
**OR** press Ctrl+V
**OR** you can also paste items using the Paste button on the toolbar.

The contents of the Clipboard will appear in the message.

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**To copy text from one message to another**
- Within the Message window, select the text you wish to copy.
- Press **Ctrl+C** to move the text to the Clipboard.
- Using the Taskbar, display the Message window containing the message into which you want to insert the text.
- Position the insertion point at the location within the message where you wish to insert the contents of the Clipboard.
- Press **Ctrl+V** to paste the text into the message.

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**To cut text to the Clipboard from a message**
- Within the Message window, select the text you wish to cut to the Clipboard.
- From the **Edit** menu select the **Cut** command
  - **OR** press **Ctrl+X**, to move the item to the Clipboard, removing it from the document
  - **OR** you can also use the Cut icon on the Standard toolbar.

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**To paste text from the Clipboard into a message**
- Within the Message window, position the insertion point at the location within your message where you want to insert the contents of the Clipboard.
- From the **Edit** menu, choose the **Paste** command
  - **OR** press **Ctrl+V**
  - **OR** you can also paste items using the Paste button on the toolbar.

- The contents of the Clipboard will appear in the message.
To move text from one message to another

- Within the Message window, select text you wish to copy.
- Press Ctrl+X to move the text to the Clipboard.
- Using the Taskbar, display the Message window containing the message into which you want to insert the text.
- Position the insertion point at the location within the message where you wish to insert the contents of the Clipboard.
- Press Ctrl+V to paste the text into the message.

7.5.4.2 Duplicate text from another source into a message.

To copy text from another application into a message

- Open the application (e.g. Word) and select the text you want to copy into your message.
- Press Ctrl+C to move the text to the Clipboard.
- Using the Taskbar, display the Message window containing the message into which you want to insert the text.
- Position the insertion point at the location within the message where you wish to insert the contents of the Clipboard.
- Press Ctrl+V to paste the text into the message.

7.5.4.3 Delete text in a message.

To delete text in a message

- Within the Message window, select the text you want to delete.
- Press the Delete key.

To delete text to the left of the insertion point

- Press the Backspace key to delete the character to the left of the insertion point.

To delete text to the right of the insertion point

Press the Delete key to delete the character to the right of the insertion point.
7.5.4.4 Delete a file attachment from an outgoing message.

To delete an attached file from a message
- Open the message containing the file you want to delete.
- Icons displayed along the bottom of the Message window will represent any files attached to the message.
- Click once on the file you want to delete to select it.
- Press the Delete key.
7.6 Mail Management

7.6.1 Techniques

7.6.1.1 Recognise some techniques to manage e-mail effectively such as creating and naming folders, moving messages to appropriate folders, deleting un-required e-mail, using address lists.

How to manage your emails

- **Delete unwanted emails immediately**: In a busy office at the start of the day you may have many emails to read and respond to. If the subject header is obviously irrelevant to you, such as 'How to make a million dollars by lunchtime' then you can safely delete these messages without ever reading them. Some messages once opened, will not be applicable to you, in which case you can delete them immediately.

- **Create folders with meaningful names and move emails to a relevant folder**: Create a series of different folders, using names which mean something to you (such as the name of projects or organisations with which you deal). Move the relevant email to the appropriate folder. In this way you can more easily retrieve groups of emails at a later date.

- **Delete outdated emails**: Every so often examine some of your older emails, and delete them if they are no longer relevant.

- **Use email address lists**: You can maintain email address lists so that you can easily send an email, at a later date, to someone on your address list.

7.6.2 Using Address Books

**What is an address book?**

- An email address book is simply a list of email addresses to which you may wish to send emails in the future.
7.6.2.1 Create a new address list/distribution list.

To create a new address book group
- Open the **Inbox** folder. Click on the **Tools** drop down menu and select the **Address Book** command. The **Address Book** window will be displayed.
- Click on the **File** drop down menu and select the **New Group** command. The **Properties** dialog box will be displayed.
- Type a name for the group into the **Group Name** text box.
- Type the name of the person you want to add to the group into the **Name** text box at the bottom of the **Properties** dialog box.
- Type the email address of the person into the **E-Mail** text box.
- Click on the **Add** button. The new member will be displayed in the **Group Members** list.
- To close the **Properties** dialog box click on the **OK** button.
- To close the **Address Book** window, click on the **Close** icon in the top right corner of the window.

7.6.2.2 Add a mail address to an address list.

To add an email address to a group
- Open the **Inbox** folder. Click on the **Tools** drop down menu and select the **Address Book** command. The **Address Book** window will be displayed.
- Double click on the group you wish to add a mail address to. Groups are represented by this icon.

The **Properties** dialog box will be displayed as illustrated.
• Type the name of the person you want to add to the group into the Name text box at the bottom of the Properties dialog box.
• Type the email address of the person into the E-Mail text box.
• Click on the Add button. The new member will be displayed in the Group Members list.
• To close the Properties dialog box click on the OK button.
• To close the Address Book window, click on the Close icon in the top right corner of the window.

7.6.2.3 Delete a mail address from an address list

To remove an email address from a group
• Open the Inbox folder.
• Click on the Tools drop down menu and select the Address Book command. The Address Book window will be displayed.
• Double click on the group you wish to remove from a list. The Properties dialog box will be displayed.
• Select the person you want to remove from the group from the Group Members list.
• Click on the Remove button.
• To close the Properties dialog box click on the OK button.
• To close the Address Book window, click on the Close icon in the top right corner of the window.
7.6.2.4 Update an address book from incoming mail.

To add the sender of a message to your address book
- Open the message from the person you want to add to your address book.
- Right click on the sender’s name or email address in the From text box of the message header section of the Message window. A popup menu will be displayed, select the Add to Contacts command.
- The Contact window will open; here you can enter additional information about the message sender.
- Once finished, click on the Save and Close icon located on the Contact window toolbar.

7.6.3 Organising Messages

7.6.3.1 Search for a message by sender, subject, mail content.

To search for a message
- If necessary, open the Inbox folder.
- Click the Tools drop down menu and select the Find command OR click the Find icon on the Standard toolbar.
- Enter the keyword you wish to search for into the Look for text box.

Click on the Find Now button. Outlook will perform the search and list any messages which match the search criteria. Double click on a message to view its contents.

To search for a message by sender, subject or content
- Open the Inbox folder.
- Click on the Tools drop down menu and select the Advanced Find command. The Advanced Find dialog box will be displayed as illustrated.
• **To search for a message by sender:** Enter the sender’s email address into the text box to the right of the From button.

• **To search for a message by subject:** Enter the word or words you want to search for into the Search for the word(s) text box. Ensure that the subject field only option is selected from the In box.

• **To search for a message by content:** Enter the word or words you want to search for into the Search for the word(s) text box. Ensure that the subject field and message body option is selected from the In box.

• Click on the Find Now button to begin your search.

• Any messages matching your search criteria will be listed at the bottom of the Advanced Find dialog box. Double click on any of the listed messages to open the Message window and view the email.

7.6.3.2 **Create a new folder for mail.**

**To create a new mail folder**

• Open the Inbox folder.

• Click on the File drop down menu and select the New command.

• Choose Folder from the submenu, the Create New Folder dialog box will be displayed.

• Type a name for the folder into the Name text box.

• Click on the OK button to close the Create New Folder dialog box.

• The Add shortcut to Outlook bar dialog box will be displayed, click the Yes or No button as required.
7.6.3.3 Move messages to a new folder for mail.

To move a message to a different folder
- Open the **Inbox** folder.
- Select the message you want to move by clicking on the entry in the message list.
- Right click on the highlighted message to display a popup menu.
- Select the **Move to Folder** command as illustrated.

The **Move Items** dialog box will be displayed.

- Select the folder you want to move the message to by clicking on the entry in the **Move Items** dialog box.
- Click on the **OK** button to close the **Move Items** dialog box and move the message.
7.6.3.4 Sort messages by name, by date.

**To sort the contents of the Inbox**
- If necessary, open the **Inbox** folder.
- Click on the heading of the field you wish to sort the message list by, e.g. to sort the messages by sender, click on the **From** field heading. An arrow will appear to indicate the direction of the sort.
- Click the field heading again to reverse direction of the sort if required.

7.6.3.5 Delete a message.

**To delete a message**
- Open the **Inbox** folder.
- Select the message you want to delete by clicking on the entry in the message list.
- Press the **Delete** key.

7.6.3.6 Restore a message from the mail bin/deleted items folder.

**To open the Deleted Items Folder**
- Click on the **Deleted Items** icon located on the **Outlook** bar.

**To restore a message from the Deleted Items Folder**
- Open the **Deleted Items** folder.
- Select the message you wish to recover.
- Click on the **Edit** drop down menu and select the **Move to Folder** command. The **Move Items** dialog box will be displayed as illustrated below.
Select the folder you want to move the item to from the list by clicking on the appropriate icon in the Move Items dialog box, e.g. to move a message back into the Inbox, click on the Inbox icon.

Click on the OK button.

7.6.3.7 Empty the mail bin / deleted items folder

To empty the Deleted Items Folder
- If necessary, open the Deleted Items folder.
- Click on the Tools drop down menu and select the Empty 'Deleted Items' Folder command. The following dialog box will be displayed.

To delete the contents of the Deleted Items folder click on the Yes button or press Enter.

To automatically empty the Deleted Items Folder when you exit Outlook
- Click on Tools drop down menu and select the Options command to display the Options dialog box.
- Click on the Other tab to display the Other folder.
- Select the Empty the Deleted Items folder upon exiting option.
7.6.4 Prepare to Print

What printing options are available?

- Click on the File drop down menu and select the Print command. This will display a dialog box.

- You can select the required options in the normal way.

7.6.4.1 Preview a message.

To preview a message prior to printing

- Select the message you want to print.
- Click on the File drop down menu and select the Print Preview command.
- The message will be displayed as it would be printed.
When you have finished previewing the message, click the **Close** button on the toolbar.

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**7.6.4.2 Choose print output options such as: entire message, selected contents of a message, number of copies and print.**

**To choose what to print**

- Click on the **File** drop down menu and select the **Print** command. This will display a dialog box.

  **To print the entire message:** Within the **Page Range** section of the dialog box, click on **All**. Then click on the **Print** button.

  **To print only part of the message which you have pre-selected:** Within the **Page Range** section of the dialog box, click on **Selection**. Then click on the **Print** button.

  **To print a specified number of copies:** Within the **Number of copies** section of the dialog box, enter the number of copies required. Then click on the **Print** button.

  **To print a message to a file:** Click on the **Print to file** check box. Then click on the **Print** button.