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The Cambridge Technicals Level 3 qualification is designed to provide highly specialist work-related qualifications in a range of vocational sectors. They give you the knowledge, understanding and skills that you need to prepare for employment. The 360 guided learning hours (GLH) Introductory Diploma offers a specialist qualification that focuses on particular aspects of employment within the appropriate vocational sector. This is a qualification which can extend a learner's programme of study. It is broadly equivalent to one GCE A level. The course is designed to give students practical experience in using common software and hardware in providing solutions to simulated real world situations. Evidence will be provided by a combination of examined, written and observed assessment.

The qualification consists of five units:

- Fundamentals of IT (exam)
- Global information (exam)
- Product development (coursework)
- Social media and digital marketing (coursework)
- Application development (coursework)

#### Assessment

The first two units are externally assessed with the other units internally assessed, based on the achievement of specified learning outcomes and are graded at Pass, Merit or Distinction. Within these assessments are four grading domains:

- Application of knowledge and understanding
- Development of practical and technical skills
- Personal development for occupational roles
- Application of generic skills

You will have a level of ICT skill that is highly valued by employers. The course provides students with practical knowledge of how ICT systems service the information needs of an organisation and will assist you in your future higher education studies and employment.

#### Key benefits of taking the IT Cambridge Technical

- Allows you to develop your skills and understanding of concepts across a variety of technical IT areas
- Become well equipped with using a variety of software
- Learn about the continuously developing areas of IT and keep up-to-date with advances in different areas
- Skills acquired can be applied to other subjects and activities outside of sixth form
- Leads on to degree courses in multimedia, computing, interactive media, games design, 3D graphics, animation, digital marketing and so on
- You will be suitable for jobs requiring high level IT skills but it is also a good grounding for any technical work where ICT plays an important role