

Criterion E: Product development

****The student must present a list of the techniques used in the product at the start of this criterion.**

A complex product is defined as one that includes at least **three appropriate advanced techniques**. The **list of techniques** will be posted on the OCC annually.

A simple product cannot be awarded more than 4 marks for criterion E.

****The information in the documentation linked to the development of the product must provide a detailed account, using extended writing, to justify the following.**

- The structure of the product and why it is appropriate
- The techniques used (see the list on the OCC), including screenshots, in the development of the product, and reasons why they are appropriate to it
- Additional technical information, if appropriate, that will support the functionality of the product, such as web hosting or security information

****Any reference material such as templates, program code, applets or other materials that have been used or modified must be acknowledged. Failure to do so will be considered a significant omission.**

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The student must demonstrate the techniques, with screenshots, that were used to develop the IT solution identified in criterion B for the client identified in criterion A and justify why they have been used.

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Marks	Level descriptor
0	The work does not reach the standard described by the descriptors below.
1–2	The IT solution identified in criterion B is created. The techniques used to develop the complex product are identified or the techniques used to develop the simple product are described.
3–4	The IT solution identified in criterion B is created. The structure of the complex product and the techniques used to develop it are described (with screenshots) or the structure of the simple product and the choice of techniques used to create it are justified (with screenshots).
5–6	The IT solution identified in criterion B is created. The structure of the complex product and the choice of techniques used to develop it have been explained (with screenshots), with minor omissions. Sources have been acknowledged.
7–8	The IT solution identified in criterion B is created. The structure of the complex product and the choice of techniques used to develop it have been fully justified (with screenshots). Sources are cited appropriately.