Key Stage 5 (13)	
Course title: BTEC National Extended Certificate in Information Technology	
Exam board: Pearson	
Specification code:	
	Topic
	Unit 1 – Information Systems – Exam Unit
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	Why now?
	January of Key Stage 5 (13) exam window enables re-sit opportunity in
	summer of Key Stage 5 (13) if required
Autumn 1	A: Digital devices in IT Systems
(September-	Peripheral devices and media (cont.)
October)	Computer software in an IT system
	Emerging Technology
	Choosing IT Systems
	B: Transmitting Data
	Connectivity
	Networks
	 Issues Relating to transmission of data
	C: Operating Online
	Online Systems
	Online Communities
Autumn 2	D: Protecting Data and Information
(October-	Threats to data, information and systems
December)	Protecting data
	E: Impact of IT Systems
	Online Services
	Impact on organisations
	Using and manipulating data
	F: Issues
	Moral and ethical issues
	Legal issues
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Unit 6 – Website Design	
Small unit of coursework that fits nicely into remaining time after the January exam	
Spring 2	Assignment 1
(February-	Principles of Website Design – analysis and comparison of two websites –
March)	features, functionality, audience and purpose
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Summer 1	Assignment 2
(April-May)	Design and development of a website to meet client requirements
Summer 2	
(May-July)	