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Name of the Bundle	Advanced Bundle V2	Subject	System Administration
Topic	Computer Software	Last updated on	06 January 2026

1. What is software?

    A. Physical parts of a computer

    B. A set of instructions used by a computer

    C. Output produced by a computer

    D. Internet connection

Ans: B. A set of instructions used by a computer

Explanation: Software consists of programs and instructions that tell the computer how to perform tasks.

2. Which of the following is NOT software?

    A. Windows

    B. MS Word

    C. Keyboard

    D. Antivirus

Ans: C. Keyboard

Explanation: A keyboard is hardware, while the others are software.

3. What type of software is Windows?

    A. Application software
    B. Utility software
    C. System software
    D. Programming software

Ans: C. System software

Explanation: Windows is an operating system that manages computer hardware and software.

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4. Which software helps users create documents and presentations?

    A. System software
    B. Application software
    C. Utility software
    D. Firmware

Ans: B. Application software

Explanation: Application software is designed to help users perform specific tasks.

5. Which of the following is an example of application software?

    A. Linux
    B. Printer driver
    C. MS Excel
    D. BIOS

Ans: C. MS Excel

Explanation: MS Excel is used for calculations, data entry, and analysis.

6. What is the main function of system software?

    A. Play games
    B. Manage computer hardware and software
    C. Create new software
    D. Browse the internet

Ans: B. Manage computer hardware and software

Explanation: System software controls the overall functioning of the computer.

7. Which software is used to protect a computer from viruses?

    A. Word processor
    B. Operating system
    C. Utility software
    D. Application software

Ans: C. Utility software

Explanation: Antivirus programs are utility software used for system protection.

8. Which of the following is utility software?

    A. MS PowerPoint
    B. Disk Cleanup
    C. Google Chrome
    D. Paint

Ans: B. Disk Cleanup

Explanation: Disk Cleanup helps remove unnecessary files and improve system performance.

9. Which of the following is an example of software?

    A. Keyboard
    B. Mouse
    C. Monitor
    D. Microsoft Word

Ans: D. Microsoft Word

Explanation: Microsoft Word is a program used for typing documents, so it is software.

10. Software is mainly used to_____.

   A. Increase the computer size
   B. Control computer operations
   C. Produce electricity
   D. Build hardware

Ans: B. Control computer operations

Explanation: Software controls how the computer functions and performs tasks.

11. Which type of software manages computer hardware?

   A. Application software
   B. Utility software
   C. System software
   D. Game software

Ans: C. System software

Explanation: System software manages hardware and basic computer operations.

12. Which of the following is system software?

   A. MS Excel
   B. Windows Operating System
   C. PowerPoint
   D. Photoshop

Ans: B. Windows Operating System

Explanation: Windows is an operating system, which is system software.

13.   Application software is used to_____.

A. Repair hardware
B. Perform specific user tasks
C. Control memory directly
D. Start the computer

Ans: B. Perform specific user tasks

Explanation: Application software helps users do tasks like typing, drawing, and calculating.

14.   Which software helps in typing documents?

A. Paint
B. Calculator
C. MS Word
D. Antivirus

Ans: C. MS Word

Explanation: MS Word is used to create and edit text documents.

15.   Antivirus software is used to_____.

A. Create files
B. Design images
C. Protect computers from viruses
D. Play games

Ans: C. Protect computers from viruses

Explanation: Antivirus software keeps the computer safe from harmful programs.

16.   Which of the following is NOT software?

A. Linux
B. Windows
C. Printer
D. Android

Ans: C. Printer

Explanation: A printer is a hardware device, not software.

17.   Which type of software is stored permanently in computer hardware?

A. Application software
B. System software
C. Firmware software
D. Utility software

Ans: C. Firmware software

Explanation: Firmware is stored in ROM and remains even when the computer is turned off.

18.   Which software starts the computer when it is powered on?

A. Application software
B. Firmware software
C. Game software
D. Word processing software

Ans: B. Firmware software

Explanation: Firmware helps in booting the computer.

19.   Which of the following is an example of system software?

A. MS Word
B. Windows
C. Paint
D. Calculator

Ans: B. Windows

Explanation: Windows is an operating system, which is system software.

20.   What is a software update?

A. A new computer
B. A hardware upgrade
C. A fix or improvement to the software
D. A new version of the computer hardware

Ans: C. A fix or improvement to the software

Explanation: A software update fixes bugs and may add new features to improve performance.

21.   Which software is used to maintain and optimize a computer system?

A. System software
B. Utility software
C. Application software
D. Device drivers

Ans: B. Utility software

Explanation: Utility software helps perform maintenance tasks such as file management and system optimization (e.g., Disk Cleanup, antivirus software).

22.   Which of the following is an example of system software?

A. Adobe Photoshop
B. Microsoft Excel
C. Linux
D. Google Chrome

Ans: C. Linux

Explanation: System software includes programs like operating systems (e.g., Linux, Windows) that manage the hardware and software resources of a computer.

23.   Which type of software is used to communicate with hardware devices, such as printers and scanners?

A. Application software
B. System software
C. Utility software
D. Device drivers

Ans: D. Device drivers

Explanation: Device drivers allow the operating system to communicate with hardware devices like printers, scanners, and video cards.

24.   What is the primary purpose of utility software?

A. To help the user perform tasks like creating documents
B. To manage system resources
C. To maintain and optimize system performance
D. To create new software

Ans: C. To maintain and optimize system performance

Explanation: Utility software performs tasks that help maintain or improve system performance, such as disk cleanup or antivirus programs.

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25. BIOS is an example of_____.

   A. Application software
   B. System software
   C. Firmware software
   D. Utility software

Ans: C. Firmware software

Explanation: BIOS is stored in ROM and helps start the computer.

26. Which software acts as a link between hardware and user?

   A. Firmware software
   B. System software
   C. Application software
   D. Device software

Ans: B. System software

Explanation: System software allows users to interact with computer hardware.

27. What is the main purpose of firmware?

   A. Create documents
   B. Control and manage hardware
   C. Browse the internet
   D. Play games

Ans: B. Control and manage hardware

Explanation: Firmware helps hardware operate and communicate with software.

28.   macOS is an example of_____.

A. Application software
B. Utility software
C. Operating system
D. Firmware software

Ans: C. Operating system

Explanation: macOS manages computer resources and user interaction.

29.   Device drivers are used to_____.

A. Create documents
B. Control external devices
C. Browse the internet
D. Play games

Ans: B. Control external devices

Explanation: Device drivers help the operating system communicate with hardware devices.

30.   Antivirus software is an example of_____.

A. Application software
B. Operating system
C. Utility program
D. Firmware software

Ans: C. Utility program

Explanation: Antivirus helps protect and maintain the system.

31.   Disk management tools are used to_____.

A. Write letters
B. Manage storage space
C. Edit images
D. Watch videos

Ans: B. Manage storage space

Explanation: Disk management utilities organize and maintain disks.

32.   Which system software helps in protecting the computer from viruses?

A. Word processor
B. Operating system
C. Antivirus utility
D. Media player

Ans: C. Antivirus utility

Explanation: Antivirus utilities protect the system from harmful software.

33.   Which of the following is NOT system software?

A. Windows
B. Linux
C. Device driver
D. MS PowerPoint

Ans: D. MS PowerPoint

Explanation: MS PowerPoint is application software, not system software.

34. Which software category includes programs for video editing, word processing, or web browsing?

A. System software
B. Utility software
C. Application software
D. Network software

Ans: C. Application software

Explanation: Application software helps users perform specific tasks, such as creating documents, editing videos, or browsing the web.