

# Internet Computing

## Assessed Exercise 1

**Hand Out Date: 5th October 2004**

**Hand In Date: 26th October 2004**

The following exercises *will contribute* 30% to the assessed coursework part of this module (*i.e.* 12% of the total marks for this module)

All solutions must be submitted in appropriate Hard Copy form (as indicated below) by *10.00 AM Tuesday Oct 26th* in the Internet Computing Lecture.

**Note:** that the exact instructions below *must* be followed. Failure to do so *will result* in you losing marks (in some cases all marks) for the exercise.

- In this particular Exercise complete WWW links (URLs) **must** be supplied in your written answer.
1. Use the World Wide Web and, in particular (though not necessarily exclusively), Web Search Engines to plan a Holiday abroad.
    - You will be *emailed* shortly with exact details of your personal holiday to plan.
    - Your solution to this problem should be handed in by hardcopy in the Internet Computing Lecture mentioned above.
    - All sources of information referenced in the solution **must be accompanied** by a supporting WWW reference. Typically a URL. Where appropriate a hard copy printout of a WWW page may also be supplied, but do not waste paper or money printing out too many irrelevant WWW pages — They can be found from the URL if needed. Information supplied without a URL will not gain any credit unless convincingly argued for (**NOTE:** I will be hard to convince).
    - Apart from specifying WWW references, the exact form of written presentation is left unspecified. Although, try to make your presentation to the point and easy to read and find relevant information.
    - **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** *DO NOT* request or solicit any commercially or otherwise sensitive material during your search. Also **do not** submit any credit card or other financial transactions yourself. The Department or University accepts no responsibility for any actions taken in these matters.

In planning the holiday the following tasks will need to be taken into consideration.

- The holiday is a return trip to and from your original destination, which will be your home town.

- The holiday will be for 7 days and may take place at any period before the end of the year (*i.e* Any week long period in November/December).
  - The precise modes of transport specified must be taken and planned from the WWW.
    - You will take a train/coach from your home town to ANY suitable UK Airport.
    - **IF YOU ARE AN OVERSEAS STUDENT YOU SHOULD TRAVEL FROM CARDIFF to ANY suitable UK Airport.**
    - If necessary an overnight stay at the airport may be booked if the time of departure or arrival is too early/late for transport to/from airport.
    - An airplane to the vacation destination.
    - A taxi or local hotel transport from the airport to your hotel at the destination.
    - You will stay at one hotel for the entire duration of the vacation.
    - Local travel for sight seeing must be specified, you will hire a care for two days for sight seeing or other trips outside of the city limits.
    - Return transportation can assumed to the same as the outward journey.
  - Your holiday must stay within budget. You will incur penalties if you go over budget, unless reasons for expenditure clearly indicated. Penalties will also be incurred if you do not spend at least 90% of your budget. (You cannot simply stay in your hotel room and watch television).
  - You must find as cheap a flight as possible. You must quote at least two prices and give URLs or other quotes for this information.
  - You can chose a hotel or Bed and Breakfast to suit your budget / lifestyle but at least two quotes must be supplied.
  - A car must be hired for at least two days.
  - 7 days activities must be planned. Your activities should include:
    - A music concert or show or cinema. Where possible names of show/film and theatre should be supplied.
    - A visit to an art gallery or museum.
    - A visit to the local parks.
    - A visit(s) to the main tourist attraction(s).
    - A visit to at least two attractions out of the city limits.
    - Several visits to the same attraction are not valid.
  - You must buy the following gifts for your assumed family:
    - A gift for a girlfriend/mother/sister — Perfume or jewelry from a local shop (no duty free).
    - A gift for a boyfriend/father/brother — A CD from a local CD shop.
    - A gift for your best friend — Any thing you are free to choose.
- Names of items and locations must be specified.