Exercise 1

wire a thin piece of metal for conducting

electrical current

wave an electric, electromagnetic, acoustic,

mechanical or other form whose physical activity rises and falls as it travels through

a medium

analogue a system in which data is represented as a

continuously varying voltage

digital a system in which data is represented as 0

or 1

amplitude modulation where audio signals increase and

decrease the amplitude of the carrier

wave

frequency modulation where voltage levels change the frequency

of a carrier wave

source encoder a device which maps the source into a set

of binary strings

channel encoder a device which maps the binary strings

into coded bits or waveforms for

transmission

degradation the deterioration in quality, level, or

standard of performance

distort to fail to reproduce accurately the

characteristics of the input

carrier wave a wave suitable for modulation by an

information-bearing signal

Exercise 2

wire coaxial cable copper wire repeater

single-wire line

radio antenna microwave satellite transmitter

optical fibre optic cable laser light-emitting diode

wavelength

Exercise 3

Telecommunications Introduction to the

Fundamentals electromagnetic transmission of

information

Telecommunications Hands-on practical experiments to

Fundamentals Lab transmit signals

Digital Electronics Converting analogue signals

Fundamentals of Optical The advantages of *laser*

Communications technologies

Fundamentals of Introduction to sharing

Telecommunications information

Networking

Data Communications Sharing information between

Networking networks

Exercise 1

1 a, b, d

2 a. c. d

3 b. c

4 a, b, c, d

5 c. d

6 a, c, d

Exercise 2

answering machine radio signal video camera relay station cable television television set retrieve messages transmitting antenna cordless phone telephone jack

- The telephone can be used to pay bills and retrieve messages from answering machines.
- 2 With an omnidirectional antenna, radio signals can be transmitted over a wide area.
- 3 A videophone incorporates a video camera and display, a microphone and speaker.
- 4 A cordless phone allows limited mobility in and around the home.
- 5 Cable television allows access to many television stations.

Exercise 3

a PDA f clock and alarm

b email g currency converter

c browsing h alert

d screen i organizer

e cell phone j weight