

Part 4

Planning issues for organisation

Objectives

This section will give you the opportunity to consider planning issues in a range of different situations.

Introduction

There are some important planning issues that impinge upon good **Classroom Organisation and Management**.

Whether you have access to a computer suite, a large cluster of computers which is timetabled or a standalone computer in your classroom, similar planning is essential if you are to maximise the use of these resources within your lessons.

One of the key factors is time. With one computer, the time factor becomes one of managing a key activity over a longer period of time, perhaps a whole term, and several topic areas, in order to allow small groups and pairs to have experience of the process involved. With a classroom full of computers the time factor is concentrated into a shorter period and the critical factor is the roles that the pupils play during that time. This will involve you in ensuring that each pupil has regular access to the keyboard as well as a supporting role with their peers.

Planning how the time is used away from the computer becomes critical to maximise the time spent actually using the resources that you have.



Activity 4a

Topic Plans

Two topic plans are provided:

- for a Year 7 class
- for a Year 8 class.