iGCSE Computer Science – Unit 1	
Unit 1 Quiz 1: Vocabular	y

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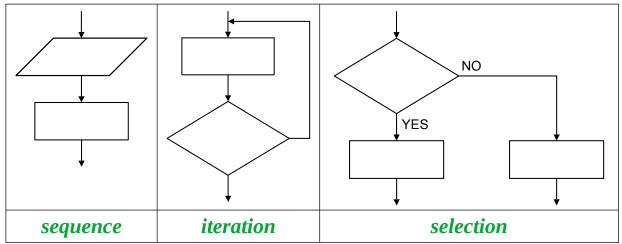
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b)	variable	a memory location to store a value that may change while the program is running		
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3. Identify each of the constructs:



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	(time, electricity, etc.)	

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c.	start	START	indicates the beginning of the algorithm
d.	subprocess		hides the details of a part of the algorithm in a different flowchart
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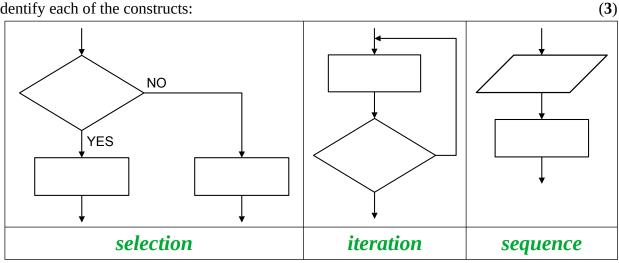
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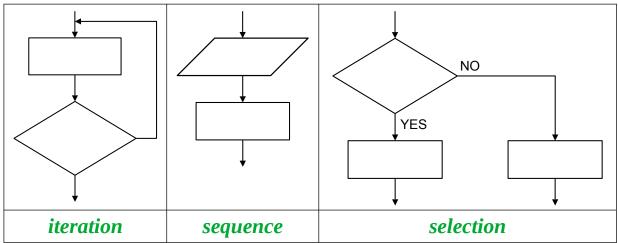
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