1999 Paper 7 Question 5

Information Retrieval

You are asked to design a modern information management system for a large multi-volume encyclopedia like the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*.

Describe in detail the ways in which you would organise and index the encyclopedia text, and the facilities you would offer the system user. [12 marks]

Justify your choices.

[4 marks]

Comment on the issues that would arise if you wanted to evaluate system performance. [4 marks]