CSCI 101 includes reading/writing assignments in order to help meet the ABET accreditation criteria of training students to have “the ability to communicate effectively”. In this assignment, you are to read an article and then write responses to the following questions. Your written responses must be in your own words. Full credit is only possible for grammatically correct responses. (Here’s a link of “common errors” a CS faculty member at another university has seen in technical writing: https://jesseheines.com/~heines/academic/writing.htm.) Use appropriate citations for any source you use besides the paper listed below.

The Computers That Changed the World
By Matt Jancer
August 14, 2018

After reading the article listed above, answer the following questions. Your total response should be approximately a page, single spaced (typed).

1. (5 points) Pick your favorite computer at the museum and write 1-2 paragraphs describing why it is your favorite and how it compares to the other models in the museum (when it was released, the price people paid for them, etc).

2. (5 points) Pick a computer described in detail in the article, one that is different from your favorite computer. Write 1-2 paragraphs that describe how the computer was a computing innovation for its time. Topics you may want to consider discussing include: tasks the computer made easier for people, potential apps that might have been installed, and future technologies based off of it.

3. (2 points) Have you seen and/or worked on any of the equipment described? What is the oldest computer you recall working on?

4. (3 points) Consider the discussion held during class on Monday Sept 23rd (Hardware #1). Clearly a laptop is a computer. Is a smoke detector a computer? Is a sun dial? Justify your response.