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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)(i)	$1 \text{ mark for each correct Activity and time} \\ B 3 \\ C 10 (following B) \\ B 2 \\ C 10 (following B) \\ B 3 \\ C 10 (following B) \\ B 3 \\ C 10 (following B) \\ B 4 \\ C 10 (following B) \\ B 5 \\ C 10 (following B) \\ C 10 (following C and D) \\ C 10 (following F) \\ C$	6
1(a)(ii)	The shortest time to complete the project // the sequence of activities that must be completed to avoid delaying the project	1
1(a)(iii)	 1 mark for identify, max 1 for description GANTT A table that has time across the top and activities on the left, boxes are coloured to show dependencies and find critical path // colour in the boxes to show the length of time for each task 	2

Question	Answer	Marks					
1(b)(i)	A, B, C and D in correct places with no alteration to start and end pointer	1					
	Start Pointer End Pointer						
1(b)(ii)	 1 mark per bullet point correct jobs in correct order correct location of start pointer correction location of new end pointer End Pointer Start Pointer 						
	F G H D C E						
1(b)(iii)	 1 mark from: An error message would be generated 	1					

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)(iv)	1 mark for each correct line	4
	<pre>FUNCTION Remove RETURNS STRING DECLARE PrintJob : STRING IF StartPointer = EndPointer THEN RETURN "Empty" ELSE PrintJob</pre>	
1(b)(v)	1 mark per bullet point	2
	 A stack is Last In First Out (LIFO) while a queue is First In First Out (FIFO) The queue removes and returns the element at start pointer // item is removed from the start/head // A stack would remove and return the element at end pointer // item is removed from the end 	

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Question					Ans	wer						Marks
1(d)(i)	 1 mark per bullet Way of modelling logic Show all possible outputs // shows every possible outcome // all outcomes based on the inputs Determine which action to take in specific conditions // how different conditions affect the actions/outcomes 									2		
1(d)(ii)	1 mark for eac Accept Y/X/ticl	h row <s are<="" as="" clear="" long="" td="" which=""><td>Y. Ac</td><td>cept N</td><td>I/X/– f</td><td>or em</td><td>oty sp</td><td>aces</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>4</td></s>	Y. Ac	cept N	I/X/– f	or em	oty sp	aces				4
						Ru	les					
		Document printed, but quality is poor	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N		
	Conditions	Error light is flashing on printer	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N		
		Document printed, but paper size is incorrect	Y	Ν	Y	N	Y	Ν	Y	N		
		Check connection from computer to printer						x				
	Actions	Check ink status	X	X	X	X						
		Check if there is a paper jam						x				
		Check paper size selected	X		X		X		X			

Question					Ans	wer				Marks
1(d)(iii)	1 mark each fo	or each correct column								5
	Accept –/X for	empty spaces. Accept Y/X/Tie	cks as	long	as cle	ar whi	ich are	e used		
						Ru	les			
		Document printed, but quality is poor	Y	Y	N	N	Ν			
	Conditions	Error light is flashing on printer				Y	Ν			
		Document printed, but paper size is incorrect	Y	N	Y	N	N			
		Check connection from computer to printer				x				
	Actions	Check ink status	x	x						
	Actions	Check if there is a paper jam				x				
		Check paper size selected	X		x					

Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(i)	1 mark per bullet point to max 4	4
	 Method header and close (where necessary) with three parameters Initialised PrintID, FirstName, LastName and Credits to the parameters Initialised Credits to 50 	
	<pre>PYTHON definit (self, NewFN, NewLN, NewPrintID): selfPrintID = NewPrintID selfFirstName = NewFN selfLastName = NewLN selfCredits = 50</pre>	
	<pre>PASCAL Constructor NewPrintAccount.Create(NewFN, NewLN, NewPrintID); begin PrintID := NewPrintID; FirstName = NewFN; LastName = NewLN; Credits := 50; end;</pre>	
	<pre>VB Public Sub New(NewFN, NewLN, NewPrintID As String) PrintID = NewPrintID FirstName = NewFN LastName = NewLN Credits = 50 End Sub</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(ii)	1 mark per bullet point	2
	 method/procedure header (and close where appropriate) taking a parameter FirstName is set to parameter 	
	<pre>PYTHON defSetFirstName(self, NewFirstName): selfFirstName = NewFirstName</pre>	
	<pre>PASCAL procedure SetFirstName(newFirstName : String); begin FirstName := newFirstName; end;</pre>	
	<pre>VB public sub SetFirstName(NewFirstName As String) FirstName = NewFirstName End Sub</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(iii)	1 mark per bullet point	2
	 concatenates FirstName, space and LastName function/method header without parameter and returns (generated) value 	
	<pre>PYTHON defGetName(self): return(selfFirstName + " " + selfLastName)</pre>	
	<pre>PASCAL function GetName(); begin result := FirstName + " " + LastName end;</pre>	
	<pre>VB public function GetName() As String return(FirstName & " " & LastName) End Function</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(iv)	1 mark per each correct bullet point from:	6
	<pre>Procedure/method header and close (where necessary) passing MoneyInput At least 3 constants (e.g. freecredit10, freecredit20, twenty, 10, creditperdollar) If MoneyInput<10 calculate MoneyInput * 25 If MoneyInput >9 and MoneyInput <20 then calculate MoneyInput * 25 + 25 If MoneyInput >19 then calculate MoneyInput * 25 + 50 All three correct calculations add to Credits, not overwrite Efficient IF (i.e. elseif) PYTHON defAddCredits(self, MoneyInput): CreditPerDollar = 25 FreeCredit10 = 25 FreeCredit20 = 50 Twenty = 20 Ten = 10 if MoneyInput >= Twenty: Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar) + FreeCredit20 elif MoneyInput >= Ten: Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar) + FreeCredit10 else: Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar) + FreeCredit10 else: Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar)</pre>	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(iv)	PASCAL	
	<pre>procedure AddCredits(MoneyInput : Real);</pre>	
	const CreditPerDollar = 25	
	const FreeCredit10 = 25	
	const FreeCredit20 = 50	
	const Twenty = 20	
	const Ten = 10	
	begin If Managerrante Sciences Theorem	
	II MoneyInput > = Twenty Then	
	Eleo If MenouIpput > - Men Men	
	Erse ii Moneyinput > - ren inen Credita ·= Credita + (MeneyInput * CreditBerDellar) + EreeCredit10.	
	Flee	
	Credits ·= Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar)·	
	end:	
	VB.NET	
	Public Sub AddCredits(MoneyInput As Integer)	
	Const CreditPerDollar As Integer = 25	
	Const FreeCredit10 As Integer = 25	
	Const FreeCredit20 AS integer = 50	
	Const Twenty As Integer = 20	
	Const Ten AS Integer = 10	
	If MoneyInput > = Twenty Then	
	Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar) + FreeCredit20	
	Else If MoneyInput > = Ten Then	
	Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar) + FreeCredit10	
	Else	
	Credits = Credits + (MoneyInput * CreditPerDollar)	
	End If	
	End Sub	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(v)	 1 mark per bullet Declaring StudentAccounts as array of 1000 elements of type PrintAccount 	2
	DECLARE StudentAccounts ARRAY[0:999] OF PrintAccount	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(vi)	1 mark per bullet point to max 8	8
	Generating ID with '1' at the end all in lowercase from parameters	
	 Loop through array to last occupied element Check if the PrintID already exists 	
	 using GetPrintID() increment number at end of PrintID 	
	• Create a new instance of PrintAccount	
	 sending FirstName, LastName, PrintID as parameters adding new account to StudentAccounts at position NumberStudents 	
	• Increment NumberStudents	
	<pre>VB.NET Sub CreateId(firstName, lastName) Dim count As Integer Dim PrintID = Left(firstname, 3).ToLower & Left(lastname, 3).ToLower & "1" Dim studentAdd As Integer = 0 If numberStudents <> 0 Then For x = 0 To numberStudents - 1 If studentAccounts(x).getPrintID() = username Then PrintID = PrintID + 1 username = Left(firstname, 3).ToLower & Left(lastname, 3).ToLower &</pre>	
	PrintID.ToString End If Next studentAdd = numberStudents End If studentAccounts(studentAdd) = New printAccount(firstname, lastname, username) numberStudents = numberStudents + 1	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)(vi)	<pre>Python def CreateID(firstname, lastname): count = 0 PrintID = firstname[0:3].lower() + lastname[-3].lower() + "1" StudentAdd = 0 if numberStudents != 0: for x in range(0, numberStudents): if studentAccounts[x].getPrintID() == username: PrintID = PrintID + 1 username = firstname[0:3].lower() + lastname[0:3].lower + str(PrintID) studentAdd = numberStudents studentAccounts[studentAdd] = printAccount(firstname, lastname, username)</pre>	
	<pre>numberStudents = numberStudents + 1 Pascal procedure CreateID(firstname : String, lastname: String); var count : Integer; studentAdd : Integer; PrintID : String;</pre>	
	<pre>begin studentAdd := 0; PrintID := LowerCase(substr(firstname,0,3)) + LowerCase(substr(lastname,0,3))+ "1"; if numberStudents <> 0: ror x := 0 To numberStudents - 1; if studentAccounts[x].getPrintID() = username: PrintID := PrintID + 1; username := LowerCase(substr(firstname, 3) + LowerCase(substr(lastname,0,3))+str(PrintID);</pre>	
	<pre>studentAdd := numberStudents; studentAccounts[studentAdd] := printAccount.Create(firstname, lastname, username); numberStudents := numberStudents + 1</pre>	

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Question	Answer					Marks	
2	1 mark for each highlighted section						
	Label	Op Code	Operand	Comment			
	LOOP:	LDD	ANSWER	// Load the value from ANSWER			
		ADD	NUMONE	// Add the value from NUMONE	[1]		
		STO	ANSWER		[1]		
		LDD	COUNT	// Load the value from COUNT	[1]		
		INC	ACC	// Increment the Accumulator	[1]		
		STO	COUNT		[1]		
		CMP	NUMTWO	// Is NUMTWO = COUNT?	[1]		
		JPN	LOOP	// If false, jump to LOOP	[1]		
		LDD	ANSWER	// Load the value from ANSWER	[1]		
		OUT		// output ANSWER to the screen	[1]		
		END		// End of program			
	NUMONE :	2					
	NUMTWO:	4					
	COUNT:	0					
	ANSWER:	0					

Question	Answer	Marks
3	 1 mark per bullet point to max 3 Logic error // it is programmed incorrectly There was an error in the design // the correct requirements were not stated 	3
	 Run-time error // division by 0 // stack overflow // end of file reached // library not available // linking/loading error Not adequately/correctly tested 	

Question	n Answer					
4	1 mark for each term.					
	Definition	Term				
	Software is tested by an in-house team of dedicated testers.	Alpha testing/black-box/white-box				
	Software is tested by the customer before it is signed off.	Acceptance testing				
	Software is tested by a small selection of users before general release	Beta testing				