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PUBLISHED**Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

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:

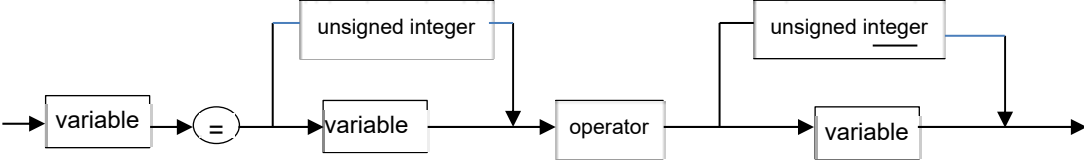
Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	BuildingRegister.BuildingID ← 1067 BuildingRegister.BuildingGroup ← "house"	2
1(b)(i)	One mark: TYPE BuildingType = One mark: (house, bungalow, apartment, farm) TYPE BuildingType = (house, bungalow, apartment, farm)	2
1(b)(ii)	DECLARE BuildingGroup : BuildingType	1
1(b)(iii)	BuildingRegister.BuildingGroup ← house	1
1(c)(i)	PRIVATE OwnerName : STRING	1
1(c)(ii)	To ensure that attributes can only be accessed by the class's own methods To enforce encapsulation // ensure they are hidden	2

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	studies(sam, history). tutors(nina, sam).	2
2(b)	freya, hua // hua, freya	1
2(c)	one mark for correct use of X one mark for two other variables in correct positions one mark for three correct clauses in any order one mark for correct syntax teaches(R, S), studies(X, S), tutors(R, X).	4

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	Protocol one mark, description one mark, max four Any two from • HTTP(S) (1) for sending and receiving web pages / hypertext documents (1) • FTP (1) for sending and receiving files over a network / between devices (1) • SMTP (1) for sending/uploading emails /push protocol (1) • POP(3) (1) for receiving/downloading emails /pull protocol (1) • IMAP (1) for receiving/downloading emails /pull protocol (1)	4
3(b)	Layer one mark, matching function one mark, max four Any two from • Transport (1) handles packets (1) • Internet (1) handles transmission of data using IP addresses // provides (optimal) route (1) • <u>Network Access</u> (Interface) // (Data) Link // Physical (1) Handles how data is physically sent (1)	4

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	• An unsigned integer, 12, is used instead of the last variable // 12 is not a valid variable • The variable z is not a valid variable / missing an unsigned integer after the z	2
4(b)	One mark per bullet point • <code><variable> ::= <letter><unsigned_integer></code> • <code><unsigned_integer> ::= <digit> <digit><digit></code> • <code><digit> ::= 1 2 3</code> and <code><operator> ::= + - *</code> • <code><assignment_statement> ::= <variable> =</code> • <code><variable><operator><variable></code>	5

Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)(i)	One mark adding both boxes... unsigned integer unsigned integer One mark for correct position(s) and connector(s) ... One mark ... rest correct (assignment statement) 	3
4(c)(ii)	Max three One mark for <code><assignment_statement>::=<variable>=</code> One mark two or three correct options or two marks if all four options correct <code><variable><operator><variable></code> <code> <variable><operator><unsigned_integer></code> <code> <unsigned_integer><operator><variable></code> <code> <unsigned_integer><operator><unsigned_integer></code> <code><assignment_statement>::=<variable>= <variable><operator><variable> <variable><operator></code> <code><unsigned_integer> <unsigned_integer><operator><variable></code> <code> <unsigned_integer><operator><unsigned_integer></code> or One mark for each section <code><operand>::=<variable> <unsigned_integer></code> <code><assignment_statement>::=<variable>=</code> <code><operand><operator><operand></code> <code><operand>::=<variable> <unsigned_integer></code> <code><assignment_statement>::=<variable>=<operand><operator><operand></code>	3

Question	Answer	Marks
5	SIMD (1) many/array processors execute the same instruction using different data sets (1) MISD (1) many processors (using different instructions) use the same data set (1) MIMD (1) many processors (using different instructions) using different data sets (1)	6

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6(a)	1 mark per correct output column <table><tr><th colspan="2">INPUT</th><th colspan="2">OUTPUT</th></tr><tr><th>A</th><th>B</th><th>E</th><th>F</th></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td></tr></table>	INPUT		OUTPUT		A	B	E	F	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	2
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6(b)(i)	Half adder	1																								
6(b)(ii)	Purpose of E: Sum Purpose of F: Carry	2																								

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7(a)	Any three from MP1 enquiry made to Certificate Authority (CA) MP2 enquirer's details checked by CA MP3 if enquirer details verified by CA then public key is agreed MP4 CA creates/issues certificate that includes the enquirers public key MP5 encrypting data sent to/by CA with the CA's public/private key	3
7(b)(i)	MP1 The message is hashed with (the agreed hashing algorithm)... MP2 ... to produce a message digest MP3 The message digest is then encrypted with the <u>sender's private</u> key to form the digital signature	3
7(b)(ii)	Any four from MP1 The message together with the digital signature is decrypted using the <u>receiver's private</u> key MP2 The digital signature received is decrypted with the <u>sender's public</u> key to recover the message digest sent MP3 The decrypted message received is hashed with the agreed hashing algorithm to reproduce the message digest of the message received MP4 The two message digests are compared MP5 ... if they are the same the message has not been altered // if they are different the message has been altered	4

Question	Answer	Marks
8(a)	INTEGER 9 // LENGTH(MyList) - 1 Index + 1 "Value not found" (or any similar phrase)	4
8(b)(i)	The list to be searched must be ordered/sorted	1

Question	Answer	Marks
8(b)(ii)	Any four from MP1 Find the middle item / index MP2 Check the value of middle item in the list to be searched MP3 If equal item searched for is found MP4 If this is not equal/greater/less than the item searched for MP5 ... discard the half of the list that does not contain the search item MP6 Repeat the above steps until the item searched for is found MP7 ... or there is only one item left in the list and it is not the item searched for // lower bound > / = upper bound	4
8(b)(iii)	As the number of items in the list increases the time to search the list increases	1
8(c)	MP1 Linear search $O(n)$ and Binary search $O(\log_2 n)$ / $O(\log n)$ MP2 time to search increases linearly in relation to the number of items in the list for a linear search and logarithmically for a Binary search MP3 time to search increases less rapidly for a binary search and time to search increases more rapidly for a linear search	3

Question	Answer	Marks
9	To trap (some) runtime errors To prevent a program halting unexpectedly To produce meaningful error messages for these errors Example divide by zero // end of file // file not found	4