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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 descriptions 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).

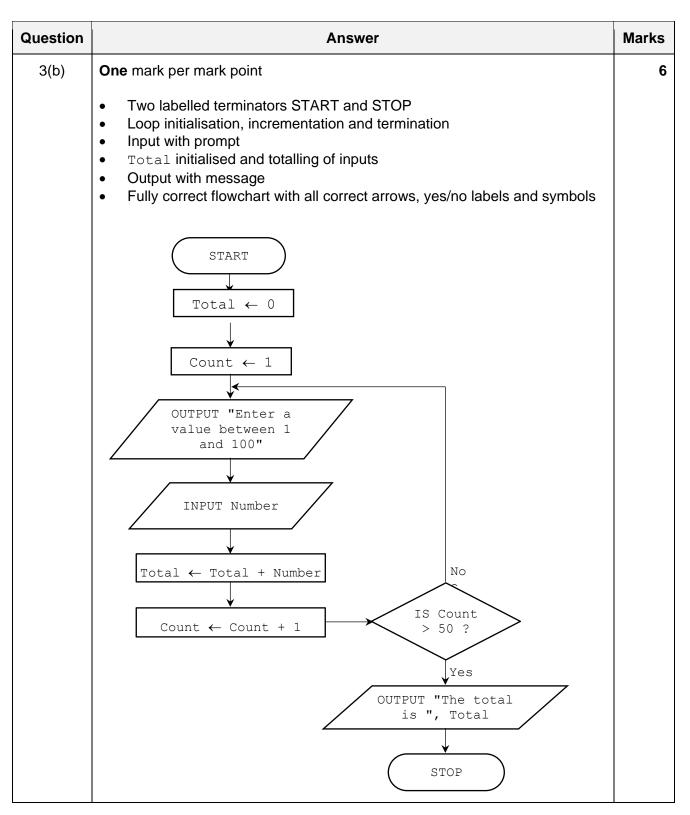
GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

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	C	1

Question	Answer	Marks
2	c	1

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	One mark for each correct line	4
	Flowchart symbol Purpose	
	subroutine	
	process	
	flow	
	decision	
	terminator	



Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	One mark per mark point	5
	• Line 02/DECLARE Counter : STRING should be DECLARE Counter : INTEGER	
	 Line 09/Temp ← TRUE should be Swapped ← TRUE 	
	 Line 10/WHILE Swapped = TRUE OR Pass <= Limit - 1 DO should be WHILE Swapped = TRUE AND Pass <= Limit - 1 DO 	
	 Line 17 / ItemList[Counter] ← Temp should be ItemList[Counter + 1] ← Temp 	
	• Line 19/ENDCASE should be ENDIF	
	Correct algorithm:	
	<pre>01 DECLARE ItemList : ARRAY[1:100] OF STRING 02 DECLARE Counter : INTEGER 03 DECLARE Limit : INTEGER 04 DECLARE Pass : INTEGER 05 DECLARE Swapped : BOOLEAN 06 DECLARE Temp : STRING 07 Limit ← 100 08 Pass ← 1</pre>	
	$00 \text{ rass} \leftarrow 1$ $09 \text{ Swapped} \leftarrow \text{TRUE}$	
	<pre>10 WHILE Swapped = TRUE AND Pass <= Limit - 1 DO 11 Swapped ← FALSE 12 FOR Counter ← 1 TO Limit - Pass 13 IF ItemList[Counter] > ItemList[Counter + 1] 14 THEN 15 Temp ← ItemList[Counter] 16 ItemList[Counter] ← ItemList[Counter + 1] 17 ItemList[Counter + 1] ← Temp 18 Swapped ← TRUE 19 ENDIF 20 Pass ← Pass + 1 21 NEXT Counter 22 ENDWHILE</pre>	
4(b)	One mark per mark point (max three)	3
	 The use of a flag (set initially to FALSE) to show if a swap has been made (during the current iteration) to stop the loop if it has been sorted The reduction in the limit of the (inner) loop after each iteration (of the loop) to reduce the number of comparisons / iterations required 	

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)	 One mark per mark point (max one) Design Coding 	1
5(b)	 Testing One mark per mark point (max three) Abstraction Discard/remove irrelevant information / hiding complexities / keeping the key elements of the problem Decomposition of the problem Breaking the problem into inputs, processes and outputs Identification of the problem Identification of the requirements of the solution to the problem Research into the problem by data collection Example of data collection 	3

Question	Answer						
6	One mark for naming the type of check and one mark for an expansion (max two)	2					
	 Visual check looking at the data that has been entered and either confirming it is correct or showing / correcting errors. 						
	OR						
	 Double entry check // Data entered twice data is entered twice and the two sets of data are compared (by the computer). If they don't match, an error has been input, so re-entry is requested. 						

Question			Answer		Marks
7(a)	 Correct Co Correct Ar Correct Ar 	alue column Dunt column Diswer column	(down to first Ol (remaining rows	JTPUT (120)) – Shaded grey	5
	Value	Count	Answer	OUTPUT	
	5		5		
		4	20		
		3	60		
		2	120		
		1	120	120	
	6		6		
		5	30		
		4	120		
		3	360		
		2	720		
		1	720	720	
	-1				
7(b)	value is 1	s the input nu	imber by one les	es than itself repeatedly, until the of all the numbers up to the input	
7(c)	• Count WC already	am would acce	ept the value and ucing by 1 and v 1	l enter the FOR loop vould never reach 1, as it would	2

Question	Answer	Marks
8	One mark per mark point (max four)	4
	 80 The largest whole number that would be accepted / at the very limit / Boundary/Extreme data that would be accepted / at the very limit 81 The smallest whole number that would be rejected / is greater than the limit / Boundary/Abnormal/Erroneous data that would be rejected / is greater than the limit 	

Question	Answer	Marks
9(a)	One mark for each correct gate, with the correct input(s) as shown.	4

Question					Answer	Marks
9(b)	Three Two	e marl marks	ks for s for fo	six or our or	orrect outputs seven correct outputs five correct outputs ree correct outputs	4
	Р	Q	R	X		
	0	0	0	1		
	0	0	1	0		
	0	1	0	0		
	0	1	1	1		
	1	0	0	1		
	1	0	1	1		
	1	1	0	0		
	1	1	1	1		

Question	Answer	Marks
10	One mark per mark point (max six)	6
	 Declaration of appropriate string variable(s) Input of a line of text Correct use of LCASE Correct use of LENGTH Opening of at least one of the required text files using given names (Main.txt, Lowercase.txt) Storing of correct line of text to Main.txt Storing of correct lines to Lowercase.txt Closing of both text files Correct output For example: DECLARE LineOfText : STRING DECLARE LowercaseText: STRING INPUT LineOfText WRITEFILE Main.txt LOSEFILE LowercaseText, LENGTH (LineOfText) OPENFILE Lowercase.txt, LowercaseText CLOSEFILE Lowercase.txt CORECLASE Lowercase.txt DECLASE LowercaseText, LENGTH (LineOfText) OPENFILE Lowercase.txt, LowercaseText CLOSEFILE Lowercase.txt COSEFILE Lowercase.txt COSEFILE Lowercase.txt COSEFILE Lowercase.txt COSEFILE Lowercase.txt COSEFILE Lowercase.txt COSEFILE Lowercase.txt	

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Question	Answer					
11(a)	 One mark per mark point Fields – 11 Records – 15 					
11(b)	The $Type$ field contains data that repeats / Da	ta is not unique	1			
11(c)	Two marks for four correct fields One mark for two or three correct fields		2			
	Field	Data type				
	RoomNo // Туре	alphanumeric				
	Mon // Tue // Wed // Thu // Fri // Sat // Sun	Boolean				
	Rate\$	real				
	Guests	integer				
11(d)	 One mark per mark point Data from 4 correct columns printed – any number of rows, any order Data in rows ordered as shown (row and column) at least two rows and two columns required All data correct with no extra content 					
	Correct output 104S Single 1 72.50 105S Single 1 72.50 201F Family 4 160.00 301D Double 2 200.00 304P Suite 6 700.00					

 AO2 (maximum 9 marks) AO3 (maximum 6 marks) Data Structures required with names as given in the scenario: Arrays or lists <u>Rooms[]</u> , <u>Dimensions[]</u> Variables <u>Number</u> Requirements (techniques): R1 Input and store number of rooms, the names of the rooms and their dimensions, including validation of number of rooms (input with prompts, (nested) iteration, use of variables, 1D and 2D arrays, validation). R2 Calculate and store the area of each room, the total area of the house and the average room area rounded to two decimal places. Find the smallest and largest rooms (calculation, totalling, rounding, finding maximum and minimum values, iteration). R3 Output the results, including contents of the arrays and the calculated data (iteration, output).	15
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Example 15-mark answer in pseudocode	
// input and validation of number of rooms	
OUTPUT "How many rooms are in your house (enter a number between 3 and 20 inclusive)?" INPUT Number IF Number < 3 OR Number > 20 THEN	
OUTPUT "The number of rooms must be between 3 and 20 inclusive, please try again" ENDIF	
UNTIL Number >= 3 AND Number <= 20	
<pre>// input of room names and dimensions - could be more than one loop FOR InLoop ← 1 TO Number OUTPUT "Enter the name of room ", InLoop INPUT Rooms[InLoop] OUTPUT "Enter the length of the room in metres" INPUT Dimensions[InLoop, 1] OUTPUT "Enter the width of the room in metres" INPUT Dimensions[InLoop, 2] Dimensions[InLoop, 3] ← ROUND(Dimensions[InLoop, 1]</pre>	
* Dimensions[InLoop, 2], 2) NEXT InLoop	
// calculates total area and average area - rounded values have been stored TotArea ← 0 FOD Matal (1 MO Number	
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12	// finding largest and smallest rooms	
	Larea \leftarrow 0	
	Sarea 🔶 100000	
	Lindex \leftarrow 1	
	Sindex \leftarrow 1	
	<pre>FOR Count ← 1 TO Number IF Dimensions[Count, 3] > Larea THEN</pre>	
	Larea ← Dimensions[Count, 3] Lindex ← Count	
	ENDIF IF Dimensions[Count, 3] < Sarea THEN	
	Sarea ← Dimensions[Count, 3] Sindex ← Count	
	ENDIF	
	NEXT Count	
	// outputting the results	
	FOR OutLoop \leftarrow 1 TO Number	
	OUTPUT "Room: ", Rooms[Outloop] OUTPUT "Length: ", Dimensions[OutLoop, 1], " metres" OUTPUT "Width: ", Dimensions[OutLoop, 2], " metres" OUTPUT "Area: ", Dimensions[OutLoop, 3], " square metres"	
	Next OutLoop OUTPUT "The largest room is: ", Rooms[Lindex]	
	OUTPUT "The smallest room is: ", Rooms[Lindex] OUTPUT "The smallest room is: ", Rooms[Sindex] OUTPUT "The total area of the house is: ", TotArea, " square metres"	
	OUTPUT "The average area of the rooms is: ", AvArea, " square metres"	

Marking Instructions in italics

AO2: Apply knowledge and understanding of the principles and concepts of computer science to a given context, including the analysis and design of computational or programming problems

0	1–3	4–6	7–9
No creditable response.	At least one programming technique has been used. <i>Any use of selection,</i> <i>iteration, counting,</i> <i>totalling, input and</i> <i>output.</i>	Some programming techniques used are appropriate to the problem. <i>More than one</i> <i>technique seen applied</i> <i>to the scenario, check</i> <i>list of techniques</i> <i>needed.</i>	The range of programming techniques used is appropriate to the problem. <i>All criteria stated for</i> <i>the scenario have</i> <i>been covered by the</i> <i>use of appropriate</i> <i>programming</i> <i>techniques, check list</i> <i>of techniques needed.</i>
	Some data has been stored but not appropriately. Any use of variables or arrays or other language dependent data structures e.g. Python lists.	Some of the data structures chosen are appropriate and store some of the data required. <i>More than one data</i> <i>structure</i> used to store data required by the scenario.	The data structures chosen are appropriate and store all the data required. <i>The data structures</i> used store all the data required by the scenario.

Marking Instructions in italics AO3: Provide solutions to problems by: evaluating computer systems • making reasoned judgements • presenting conclusions • 0 1-2 3 - 45-6 No creditable Program seen without Program seen with The program has been relevant comments. some relevant fully commented. response. comment(s). The majority of Some identifier names Suitable identifiers with used are appropriate. identifiers used are names meaningful to Some of the data appropriately named. their purpose have been used throughout. structures used have Most of the data meaningful names. structures used have All of the data structures used have meaningful names. meaningful names. The solution is illogical. The solution contains The program is in a parts that may be logical order. illogical. The solution is The solution contains The solution is inaccurate in many parts that are accurate. places. inaccurate. Solution logically Solution contains few Solution contains lines performs all the tasks lines of code with of code with some given in the scenario. errors that attempt to errors that logically Ignore minor syntax perform a task given in perform tasks given in errors. the scenario. the scenario. Ignore minor syntax errors. The solution attempts The solution attempts The solution meets all at least one of the to meet most of the the requirements given requirements. requirements. in the question. Solution performs all Solution contains lines Solution contains lines of code that attempt at of code that attempts the tasks given in the least one task given in most tasks given in the scenario. the scenario. scenario.