

Assignment 1

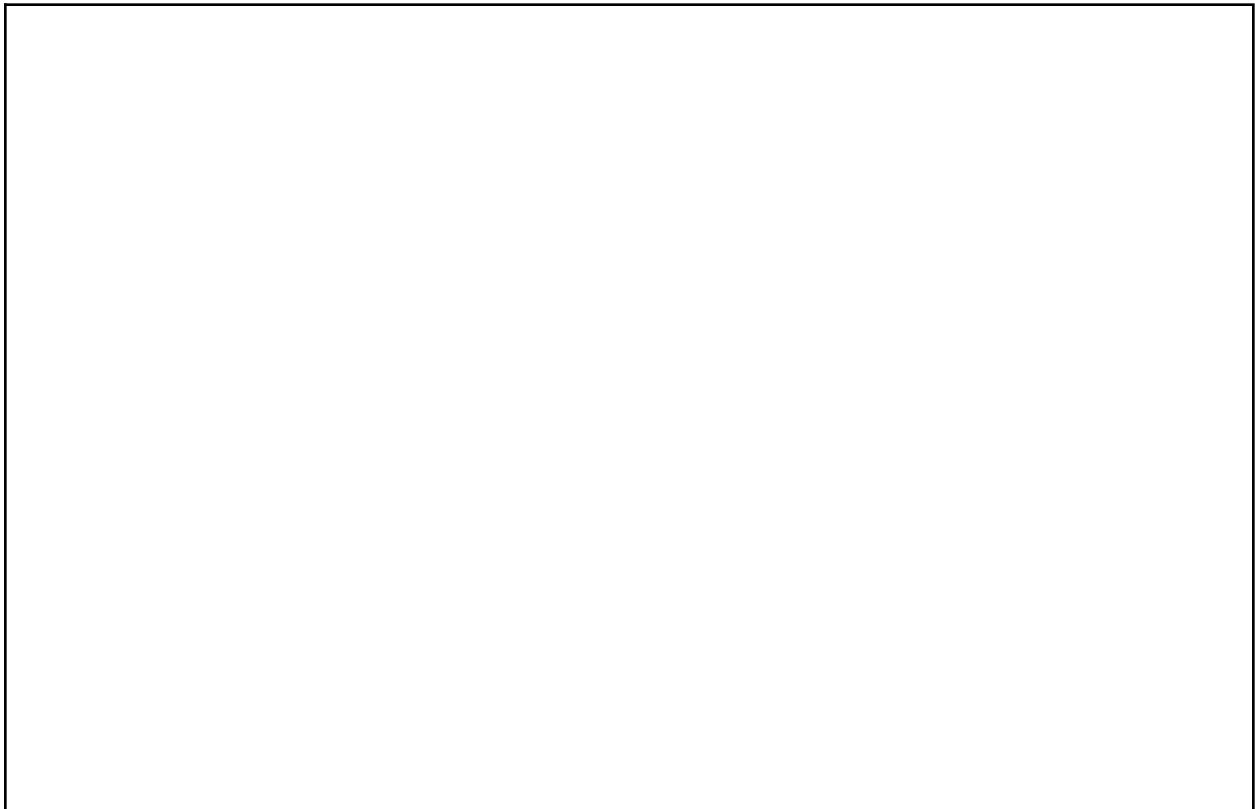
Instructions: Print this document and complete it by hand. Answer the questions below.

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Question 1. Trace this method by hand using a Memory Diagram. Show how the value of the variable to be returned changes line-by-line for a call to `mystery(7)`.

```
public static int mystery(int a) {  
    int b=a;  
    for (int i=0; i<7; i+=2) {  
        b+=i;  
    }  
    return b;  
}
```

ANSWER HERE:



Question 2. What is the *return type* of the following method? Find the section in the online [textbook Think Java](#) that provides an explanation to this answer and paraphrase (explain in your own words) the answer to this question.

```
public static double tax(int sum, double taxRate) {  
    return sum*(1+taxRate)  
}
```

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Question 3. Circle the return statement that will be returned by a call to `mystery(9)`. Add 3 in-line Java comments to explain how the conditionals will be evaluated through the program.

```
public static boolean mystery(int a) {  
    if (a>0 && a<9) {  
        if (a+7<20) {  
            return true;  
        } else if (a==9) {  
            return true;  
        } else {  
            return false;  
        }  
    } else if (a<20) {  
        if (a!=(Math.pow(3, 3))) {  
            return true;  
        } else if (a+15==24) {  
            return false;  
        } else {  
            return true;  
        }  
    } else {  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```