

CSE110: Principles of Programming

Assignment: Methods

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5.1 Multiple Choice Questions

1) Methods are commonly used to:

- A) speed up the compilation of a program
- B) break a problem down into small manageable pieces
- C) emphasize certain parts of the logic
- D) document the program

2) Which of the following is NOT a benefit derived from using methods in programming?

- A) Problems are more easily solved.
- B) simplifies programs
- C) code reuse
- D) All of the above are benefits.

3) This type of method performs a task and sends a value back to the code that called it.

- A) value-returning
- B) void
- C) complex
- D) local

4) In the following code, `System.out.println(num)` is an example of:

```
double num = 5.4;  
System.out.println(num);  
num = 0.0;
```

- A) a value-returning method
- B) a void method
- C) a complex method
- D) a local variable

5) To create a method you must write its:

- A) header
- B) return type
- C) body
- D) definition

6) In the header, the method name is always followed by this:

- A) parentheses
- B) return type
- C) data type
- D) braces

7) This part of a method is a collection of statements that are performed when the method is executed.

- A) method header
- B) return type
- C) method body
- D) method modifier

8) Which of the following is NOT part of a method call?

- A) method name
- B) return type
- C) parentheses
- D) all of the above are part of a method call

9) If method A calls method B, and method B calls method C, and method C calls method D, when method D finishes, what happens?

- A) Control is returned to method A.
- B) Control is returned to method B.
- C) Control is returned to method C.
- D) The program terminates.

10) Values that are sent into a method are called:

- A) variables
- B) arguments
- C) literals
- D) types

11) When an argument is passed to a method:

- A) its value is copied into the method's parameter variable
- B) its value may be changed within the called method
- C) values may not be passed to methods
- D) the method must not assign another value to the parameter that receives the argument

12) What is wrong with the following method call?

```
displayValue (double x);
```

- A) There is nothing wrong with the statement.
- B) `displayValue` will not accept a parameter.
- C) Do not include the data type in the method call.
- D) `x` should be a `String`.

13) Given the following method header, which of the method calls would be an error?

```
public void displayValues(int x, int y)
```

- A) `displayValue(a,b);` // where `a` is a `short` and `b` is a `byte`
- B) `displayValue(a,b);` // where `a` is an `int` and `b` is a `byte`
- C) `displayValue(a,b);` // where `a` is a `short` and `b` is a `long`
- D) They would all give an error.

14) Which of the following would be a valid method call for the following method?

```
public static void showProduct (int num1, double num2)
{
    int product;
    product = num1 * (int)num2;
    System.out.println("The product is " + product);
}
```

- A) `showProduct(5.5, 4.0);`
- B) `showProduct(10.0, 4);`
- C) `showProduct(10, 4.5);`
- D) `showProduct(33.0, 55.0);`

15) When an object, such as a `String`, is passed as an argument, it is:

- A) actually a reference to the object that is passed
- B) passed by value like any other parameter value
- C) encrypted
- D) necessary to know exactly how long the string is when writing the program

16) All `@param` tags in a method's documentation comment must:

- A) end with a `*/`
- B) appear after the general description of the method
- C) appear before the method header
- D) span several lines

17) A special variable that holds a value being passed into a method is called what?

- A) Modifier
- B) Parameter
- C) Alias
- D) Argument

18) When you pass an argument to a method, be sure that the argument's data type is compatible with:

- A) the parameter variable's data type
- B) the method's return type
- C) the version of Java currently being used
- D) IEEE standards

19) A parameter variable's scope is:

- A) the method in which the parameter is declared
- B) the class to which the method belongs
- C) the `main` method
- D) All of the above

20) The lifetime of a method's local variable is:

- A) the duration of the program
- B) the duration of the class to which the method belongs
- C) the duration of the method that called the local variable's method
- D) only while the method is executing

21) Local variables:

- A) are hidden from other methods
- B) may have the same name as local variables in other methods
- C) lose the values stored in them between calls to the method in which the variable is declared
- D) All of the above

22) Which of the following values can be passed to a method that has an `int` parameter variable?

- A) `float`
- B) `double`
- C) `long`
- D) All of the above
- E) None of the above

23) The header of a value-returning method must specify this.

- A) The method's local variable names
- B) The name of the variable in the calling program that will receive the returned value
- C) The data type of the return value
- D) All of the above

24) What will be returned from the following method?

```
public static double methodA()
{
    double a = 8.5 + 9.5;
    return a;
}
```

- A) 18.0
- B) 18 (as an integer)
- C) 8
- D) This is an error.

25) In a `@return` tag statement the description:

- A) cannot be longer than one line
- B) describes the return value
- C) must be longer than one line
- D) describes the parameter values

26) When a method tests an argument and returns a `true` or `false` value, it should return:

- A) a zero for `true` and a one for `false`
- B) a `boolean` value
- C) a zero for `false` and a non-zero for `true`
- D) a method should not be used for this type test

27) The phrase *divide and conquer* is sometimes used to describe:

- A) the backbone of the scientific method
- B) the process of dividing functions
- C) the process of breaking a problem down into smaller pieces
- D) the process of using division to solve a mathematical problem

28) In a general sense, a method is:

- A) a plan
- B) a statement inside a loop
- C) a comment
- D) a collection of statements that performs a specific task

29) Breaking a program down into small manageable methods:

- A) makes problems more easily solved
- B) allows for code reuse
- C) simplifies programs
- D) all of the above

30) This type of method performs a task and then terminates.

- A) value-returning
- B) void
- C) local
- D) simple

31) In the following code, `Integer.parseInt(str)`, is an example of:

```
int num;  
string str = "555";  
num = Integer.parseInt(str) + 5;
```

- A) a value-returning method
- B) a void method
- C) a local variable
- D) a complex method

32) Which of the following is NOT a part of the method header?

- A) return type
- B) method name
- C) parentheses
- D) semicolon

33) Which of the following is included in a method call?

- A) return type
- B) method modifiers
- C) parentheses
- D) return variable

34) You should always document a method by writing comments that appear:

- A) just before the method's definition
- B) just after the method's definition
- C) at the end of the file
- D) only if the method is more than five lines long

35) When an argument value is passed to a method, the receiving parameter variable is:

- A) declared within the body of the method
- B) declared in the method header inside the parentheses
- C) declared in the calling method
- D) uses the declaration of the argument

36) If you attempt to use a local variable before it has been given a value:

- A) a compiler error will occur
- B) the local variable will always contain the value 0
- C) the results will be unpredictable
- D) the local variable will be ignored

37) What will be the result of the following code?

```
int num;  
string str = "555";  
num = Integer.parseInt(string str) + 5;
```

- A) num will be set to 560.
- B) str will have a value of "560".
- C) The last line of code will cause an error.
- D) Neither num or str will be changed.

38) Given the following method header, which of the method calls would be an error?

```
public void displayValues(double x, int y)
```

- A) displayValue(a,b); // where a is a long and b is a byte
- B) displayValue(a,b); // where a is an int and b is a byte
- C) displayValue(a,b); // where a is a short and b is a long
- D) They would all give an error.

39) Which of the following would be a valid method call for the following method?

```
public static void showProduct(double num1, int num2)  
{  
    double product;  
    product = num1 * num2;  
    System.out.println("The product is " +  
                        product);  
}
```

- A) showProduct("5", "40");
- B) showProduct(10.0, 4.6);
- C) showProduct(10, 4.5);
- D) showProduct(3.3, 55);

40) When writing the documentation comments for a method, you can provide a description of each parameter by using a:

- A) @comment tag
- B) @doc tag
- C) @param tag
- D) @return tag

41) Values stored in local variables:

- A) are lost between calls to the method in which they are declared
- B) retain their values from the last call to the method in which they are declared
- C) may be referenced by the calling method
- D) may be referenced by any other method, if the method in which they are declared is a public method

42) Local variables can be initialized with:

- A) constants
- B) parameter values
- C) the results of an arithmetic operation
- D) any of the above

43) A value-returning method must specify this as its return type in the method header.

- A) an `int`
- B) a `double`
- C) a `boolean`
- D) any valid data type

44) What will be returned from the following method?

```
public static int methodA()  
{  
    double a = 8.5 + 9.5;  
    return a;  
}
```

- A) 18.0
- B) 18 (as an integer)
- C) 8.0
- D) This is an error.

45) To document the return value of a method, use this in a documentation comment.

- A) The `@param` tag
- B) The `@comment` tag
- C) The `@return` tag
- D) The `@returnValue` tag

46) The process of breaking a problem down into smaller pieces is sometimes called:

- A) divide and conquer
- B) scientific method
- C) top-down programming
- D) whole-into-part

47) Any method that calls a method with a `throws` clause in its header must:

- A) handle the potential exception
- B) have the same `throws` clause
- C) both of the above
- D) do nothing, the called program will take care of the `throws` clause

48) Assume that the following method header is for a method in class `A`.

```
public void displayValue(int value)
```


Assume that the following code segments appear in another method, also in class A. Which contains a legal call to the `displayValue` method?

- A) `int x = 7;`
`void displayValue(x);`
- B) `int x = 7;`
`displayValue(x);`
- C) `int x = 7;`
`displayValue(int x);`
- D) `int x = 7;`
`displayValue(x)`

5.2 True/False Questions

- 1) Methods are commonly used to break a problem into small manageable pieces.
- 2) Two general categories of methods are `void` methods and value returning methods.
- 3) In the method header, the method modifier `public` means that the method belongs to the class, not a specific object.
- 4) Constants, variables, and the values of expressions may be passed as arguments to a method.
- 5) A parameter variable's scope is the method in which the parameter is declared.

- 6) You must have a `return` statement in a value-returning method.
- 7) Any method that calls a method with a `throws` clause in its header must either handle the potential exception or have the same `throws` clause.
- 8) In the method header the `static` method modifier means the method is available to code outside the class.
- 9) Only constants and variables may be passed as arguments to methods.
- 10) No statement outside the method in which a parameter variable is declared can access the parameter by its name.
- 11) The expression in a `return` statement can be any expression that has a value.
- 12) A value-returning method can return a reference to a non-primitive type.