

CST-186 Chapter 8 Study Guide

True/False

Indicate whether the statement is true or false.

- ____ 1. Every instance method must have at least one parameter.
- ____ 2. When writing a class, you must define the maximum number of objects that can be instantiated from it.
- ____ 3. Usually, you want to avoid directly accessing an object's attributes outside of its class definition.
- ____ 4. A new class attribute is created for each object instantiated from that class.
- ____ 5. A static method can be invoked even if no objects of the class have been instantiated.
- ____ 6. By default, all of an object's attributes and methods are public.
- ____ 7. It's legal to access an object's private attribute inside the object's own class definition.
- ____ 8. You should define every method in a class as private to help ensure encapsulation.
- ____ 9. Access methods allow indirect access to attributes and often impose some sort of restriction on that access.
- ____ 10. The use of properties violates encapsulation and should be kept to a minimum.

Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- ____ 11. In the following code, what is `Critter`?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(self, n):  
        self.name = n
```

- a. a docstring
- b. a class name
- c. a method
- d. an attribute

- ____ 12. In the following code, what is `"""A virtual pet"""`?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(self, n):  
        self.name = n
```

- a. a docstring
- b. a class name
- c. a method
- d. an attribute

____ 13. In the following code, what is `__init__()`?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(self, n):  
        self.name = n
```

- a. a docstring
- b. a class name
- c. a method
- d. an attribute

____ 14. In the following code, what is `name`?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(self, n):  
        self.name = n
```

- a. a docstring
- b. a class name
- c. a method
- d. an attribute

____ 15. In which method are instance attributes usually created?

- a. destructor
- b. constructor
- c. set method
- d. get method

____ 16. What will be displayed by the following code?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(self, n="Steve"):  
        name = n
```

```
crit = Critter("Larry")  
print crit.name
```

- a. Larry
- b. Steve
- c. crit
- d. None of these

____ 17. What will be displayed by the following code?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(n="Steve"):  
        self.name = n
```

```
crit = Critter("Larry")  
print crit.name
```

- a. Larry
- b. Steve
- c. crit
- d. None of these

____ 18. What will be displayed by the following code?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    def __init__(self, n="Steve"):  
        self.name = n  
  
crit = Critter("Larry")  
print crit.name
```

- a. Larry
- b. Steve
- c. crit
- d. None of these

____ 19. Which special method returns a string representation of an object?

- a. `__init__()`
- b. `__str__()`
- c. `__prt__()`
- d. `__spc__()`

____ 20. In the following code, what is total?

```
class Critter(object):  
    """A virtual pet"""  
    total = 0  
  
    def status():  
        print "\nThe total number of critters is", Critter.total  
    status = staticmethod(status)
```

- a. instance attribute
- b. instance method
- c. class attribute
- d. static method

____ 21. What is the minimum number of parameters that a static method can have?

- a. 0
- b. 1
- c. 2
- d. 3

____ 22. Defining an attribute or method as private encourages what?

- a. self-documenting code
- b. code reuse
- c. redundancy
- d. encapsulation

____ 23. Which of the following can be used to limit the direct access of object attributes by client code?

- a. class attributes
- b. public attributes
- c. private attributes
- d. static methods

____ 24. How do you define an attribute as private?

- a. with two leading underscores
- b. with the keyword private
- c. with the keywords not public
- d. attributes are private by default

____ 25. What kinds of attributes is a method allowed to access within its own class?

- a. public attributes
- b. private attributes
- c. All of these
- d. None of these

- _____ 26. If it's critical that a method never be directly accessed by client code, what should you make the method?
- a. undefined
 - b. private
 - c. public
 - d. static
- _____ 27. What type of class definition does the following header begin?
- ```
class Critter(object):
```
- a. new-style
  - b. old-style
  - c. private
  - d. None of these
- \_\_\_\_\_ 28. What type of access method should always return a value?
- a. destructor
  - b. constructor
  - c. set method
  - d. get method
- \_\_\_\_\_ 29. What type of access method should always take a value?
- a. destructor
  - b. constructor
  - c. set method
  - d. get method
- \_\_\_\_\_ 30. A property essentially wraps what kind of methods?
- a. undefined
  - b. access
  - c. All of these
  - d. None of these

**Completion**

*Complete each statement.*

31. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ method is associated with a class itself.
32. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ is a special method that is automatically invoked right after a new object is created.
33. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ class is not based on the built-in `object`, directly or indirectly.
34. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ class is directly or indirectly based on the built-in `object`.
35. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ attribute is a single attribute for an entire class.

**Matching**

*Match each item with a statement below*

- |                |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| a. Attribute   | f. Object-oriented programming |
| b. Instance    | g. Property                    |
| c. Instantiate | h. Class                       |
| d. Method      | i. Private                     |
| e. Object      | j. Public                      |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 36. A methodology of programming where new types of objects are defined.

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- \_\_\_\_ 37. Cannot be directly accessed (easily) by client code.
- \_\_\_\_ 38. Can be directly accessed by client code.
- \_\_\_\_ 39. A single object.
- \_\_\_\_ 40. Code that defines the attributes and methods of a kind of object.
- \_\_\_\_ 41. A “characteristic” of an object; like a variable associated with a kind of object.
- \_\_\_\_ 42. An interface that allows indirect access to an attribute.
- \_\_\_\_ 43. A “behavior” of an object; like a function associated with a kind of object.
- \_\_\_\_ 44. To create an object.
- \_\_\_\_ 45. A single software unit that combines attributes and methods.

### Short Answer

- 46. How is a class like a blueprint?
- 47. Why must every instance method have at least one parameter?
- 48. When is a constructor method invoked and what is it generally used for?
- 49. What is a class attribute? Provide an example of how one might be used.
- 50. To help enforce encapsulation, how should client code interact with objects?