

Question No. 1

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
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Question No. 2

1(a)	1 mark per reason to max 3 e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Division by zero• Array out of bounds• File does not exist• Stack overflow• Memory leakage• Hardware fault/failure	3
1(b)	1 mark per bullet point <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check if file exist• Reporting appropriate exception Python <pre>try: file = open('MyData.txt') except: print "No file found"</pre> Visual Basic (.net) <pre>Try Dim fileReader As New System.IO.StreamReader("MyData.txt") Catch ex As Exception console.writeline("No file found") End Try</pre> Pascal <pre>try Readln("MyData.txt") except Writeln("No file found") end;</pre>	2

Question No. 3

5	(a) (i)	<table><tr><th>Mark</th><th>Description</th><th>Expected result (Grade)</th></tr><tr><td></td><td>Normal</td><td>FAIL/PASS/MERIT/DISTINCTION</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Abnormal</td><td>Error</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Extreme/Boundary</td><td>FAIL/PASS/MERIT/DISTINCTION</td></tr></table>	Mark	Description	Expected result (Grade)		Normal	FAIL/PASS/MERIT/DISTINCTION		Abnormal	Error		Extreme/Boundary	FAIL/PASS/MERIT/DISTINCTION	3
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3 × (mark + matching grade) for abnormal data accept negative values, non-integer values, Expected Result: Error 0 and marks above 100 are still acceptable values Do not accept FAIL in expected result column for Abnormal data															
	(ii)	(The programmer is) concerned only with the input (i.e. the mark) to the function and monitoring the expected output (i.e. the grade) // can compare expected result and actual result	1												
	(b)	Exception: 1. situation causing a crash / run-time error / fatal error 1 Exception handling: 2. code which is called when a run-time error occurs 1 3. ... to avoid the program terminating/crashing 1	3												
	(c)	1 Open a non-existent file 2 Directory path does not exist 3 Attempt to read past the end of the file // attempt to read an empty file 4 Array subscript is out of range 5 Non-integer value / corrupt data read 6 File already open in a different mode // wrong file permissions	Max 3												

Question No. 4

1(a)	It is an unplanned event // an event not wanted	1
1(b)	1 mark per example to max 3 e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Division by zero• Invalid array index• File does not exist• Run-time error• Invalid input• Invalid argument/value• Stack overflow• Memory leakage• Hardware failure/error	3
1(c)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The program will not crash // more robust // program will continue• Result does not cause further errors/problems later• Appropriate error messages/result• Exceptional conditions are identified• Improve readability	2

Question No. 5

6(b)	1 mark per completed statement	5
<pre>PROCEDURE StoreRecord(NewData : CustomerData) HashValue ← CustomerHash(NewData.CustomerID) Filename ← "CustomerRecords.dat" OPENFILE Filename FOR RANDOM SEEK Filename, HashValue PUTRECORD Filename, NewData CLOSE Filename ENDPROCEDURE</pre>		

Question No. 6

7(a)	1 mark per bullet point to max 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To stop the program crashing ...• To stop a run-time error ...• ... to make sure the input is the correct data type // other reasonable example	2
7(b)	1 mark per bullet point <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Using try (and close where appropriate) followed by the input• Catching exception• Outputting appropriate message (built-in or otherwise) <p>Example program code:</p> <p>VB.NET</p> <pre>Try Dim Value As Integer Console.WriteLine("Enter a number") Value = Console.ReadLine() Catch ex As Exception Console.WriteLine(ex.Message) End Try</pre> <p>Python</p> <pre>try: Value = int(input("Enter a number")) except: print("Invalid number")</pre> <p>Pascal:</p> <pre>begin try readln(Value); except On E : Exception do writeln("Invalid number"); end;</pre>	3
7(c)	1 mark per example <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check file exists• No input• No data in file• Array out of bounds• Calculation / division by 0	2

Question No. 7

2(a)	<p>1 mark per bullet point to max 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• declaration of type Book• Title, Author and ISBN as String• Fiction as Boolean• LastRead as Date <p>For example:</p> <pre>TYPE Book DECLARE Title : String DECLARE Author : String DECLARE ISBN : String DECLARE Fiction : Boolean DECLARE LastRead : Date ENDTYPE</pre>	4
2(b)	<p>1 mark per bullet point to max 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Function header• ... taking ISBN as parameter• Converting ISBN to integer• Calculating Hash (ISBN mod 2000 + 1)• Returning the calculated Hash <p>Examples:</p> <p>Python:</p> <pre>def Hash(ISBN): ISBNint = int(ISBN) Hash = (ISBNint % 2000) + 1</pre> <p>VB.NET:</p> <pre>Function Hash (ISBN As String) As Integer ISBNint = convert.ToInt32(ISBN) Hash = (ISBNint MOD 2000) + 1 End Function</pre> <p>Pascal:</p> <pre>function Hash(ISBN : String) : Integer begin ISBNint = StrToInt(ISBN) Hash = (ISBNint MOD 2000) + 1 end;</pre>	4
2(c)	<p>1 mark per bullet point to max 8:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Procedure FindBook declaration and prompt and input ISBN• Validate data input has 13 characters• ... and are all numeric• ..loop until valid• Call Hash() with input data and store return data• Open MyBooks.dat for reading as random file and close• Finding the record using return value Hash()• Get the data for the record• ...store in variable of type Book• ...output all the data for the record	8

Question No. 8

(a)

MembershipFile

Address	MemberID	other member data
0	0	
1	1001	
2	7002	
3	0	
4	0	
5	3005	
6	0	
7	0	
8	0	
:	:	
:	:	
96	4096	
97	0	
98	2098	
99	0	

1001 and 7002 and 3005
4096 and 2098

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File Processing and Exception Handling

- (b) (i) 10 // generate record address
 20 NewAddress ← Hash(NewMember.MemberID)
 30 // move pointer to the disk address for the record
 40 SEEK NewAddress
 50 PUTRECORD "MembershipFile", NewMember [4]
- (ii) 01 TRY
 02 OPENFILE "MembershipFile" FOR RANDOM
 03 EXCEPT
 04 OUTPUT "File does not exist"
 05 ENDTRY [2]
- (iii) collisions/synonyms
 The previous record will be overwritten [2]
- (iv) Create an overflow area
 The 'home' record has a pointer to others with the same key
OR
 Store the overflow record at the next available address
 in sequence
OR
 Re-design the hash function
 to generate a wider range of indexes // to create fewer collisions [2]
- (v) 41 GETRECORD "MembershipFile", CurrentRecord
 42 WHILE CurrentRecord.MemberID <> 0
 43 NewAddress ← NewAddress + 1
 44 IF NewAddress > 99 THEN NewAddress ← 0
 45 SEEK NewAddress
 46 GETRECORD "MembershipFile", CurrentRecord
 47 ENDWHILE [max. 4]

File Processing and Exception Handling

Question No. 9

- (a) 1 mark for structure header/ending
 1 mark for each field correct, take away 1 mark for additional fields
 Python answers will use a class

Python

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class StockItem :
    def __init__(self) :
        self.ProductCode = ""      # = 0
        self.Price = 0.0           # = 0
        self.NumberInStock = 0
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- (b) (i) 01 TRY
 02 OPENFILE "StockFile" FOR READ/RANDOM // ignore "
 03 EXCEPT
 04 OUTPUT "File does not exist"
 05 ENDTRY [2]

- (ii) (Line 01) alerts system to check for possible run-time errors (exception)
 (Lines 03, 04) handle the exception without the program crashing // keeps program running// provide alternative statements to execute to avoid run-time error

Accept "exception handling" for 1 mark

[Max 2]

- (c) WHILE NOT EOF("StockFile")
 READFILE "StockFile", ThisStockItem // accept reading separate fields
 OUTPUT ThisStockItem.ProductCode
 OUTPUT ThisStockItem.NumberInStock
 ENDWHILE

- 1 mark for loop (accept REPEAT)
 1 mark for EOF("StockFile") // StockFile.Peek <> -1 / NONE/"
 1 mark for READ record
 1 mark for OUTPUT of 2 fields

Ignore opening and closing file

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