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1. 1.	What is the purpose of the	`except IOError:`	block in the provide	d code snippet related
to fi	le handling?			

- a) To handle errors when writing to a file.
- b) To handle errors when reading from a file.
- c) To handle errors when the file is not found.
- d) To handle errors when the file is corrupted.

2. 2. In the `updateUserPoints()` function, what is the purpose of creating a temporary file (`userScores.tmp`)?

- a) To back up the original file.
- b) To improve read/write speed.
- c) To allow updating scores without directly modifying the original file.
- d) To prevent errors when appending to the file.

3. 3. What is the primary challenge in Exercise 4.2 (Updating `operatorList` with mathematical symbols)?

- a) Generating random operators.
- b) Preventing consecutive exponent operators (`**`).
- c) Mapping operators to dictionary keys.
- d) Ensuring all operators are used.

4. 4. What Python built-in function is used to evaluate a mathematical expression given as a string?

- a) `calculate()`
- b) `evaluate()`
- c) `eval()`

^{**}Answer: c)**

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^{**}Answer: b)**

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d) `interpret()`

Answer: c)

5. 5. In Exercise 4.5, why is type casting necessary when comparing user input to the correct answer?

- a) To ensure the input is a string.
- b) To convert the user's input from a string to an integer.
- c) To handle potential errors during input.
- d) To display the answer in a specific format.

Answer: b)

6. 6. What is the purpose of the 'while True:' loop in Exercise 4.5?

- a) To create an infinite loop.
- b) To continuously prompt the user for input until a valid number is entered.
- c) To handle errors during the calculation.
- d) To display the question repeatedly.

Answer: b)

7. 7. In the main program (Exercise 5), what does the variable 'newUser' represent?

- a) Whether the user is new to programming.
- b) Whether the user's score is zero.
- c) Whether the user's name is in the `userScores.txt` file.
- d) Whether the program is running for the first time.

Answer: c)

8. 8. What is the purpose of the 'try, except' statement in the main program (Exercise 5)?

- a) To handle file I/O errors.
- b) To handle user input errors.
- c) To handle calculation errors.
- d) To handle all unforeseen errors during program execution.

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Answer: d)					
9. 9. In Challenge Exercise 1, what Python b	ouilt-in function is suggested to help handle				
potential issues with floating-point division resu	ılts?				
a) `floor()`					
b) `ceil()`					
c) `round()`					
d) `int()`					
Answer: c)					
10. 10. What is the main difficulty introduced in	Challenge Exercise 3 (adding brackets to the				
generated questions)?					
a) Generating random bracket positions.					
b) Ensuring correct order of operations with brace	kets.				
c) Preventing invalid bracket combinations.					
d) All of the above.					
11. **Answer: d)** ?					