

## Part 2

### *Questions*

#### **1. What is the difference between a class and an object?**

**Answer:**

-A class is a blueprint/script which describes an object and its behaviours.

-An object is a representation of a class containing all its values and methods.

#### **2. What is inheritance? What is the Python syntax for inheritance?**

**Answer:**

-Inheritance is a tool that enables a programmer to create a class that inherits all/parts of the functionality from another existing class. A class that inherits from another class is often called the child class, whilst the one from which it inherits is called a parent class.

-Syntax for inheritance is using a parent class as an argument in a child class. Lets say we have a class "Parent" and a class "Child", then an example of inheritance would be: `child = Child(Parent)`

#### **3. What is the difference between a "has-a" and an "is-a" relationship?**

**Answer:**

-A "has-a" relationship is the attributes, values and methods that defines a class. For example, a class "*Person*" has a value stating its name.

-A "is-a" relationship are values that another class inherits from an existing class. Let's say we have a class "*Worker*" that inherits attributes from a class "*Person*". This means that a *Worker* "is-a" *Person*, and that the *Worker* class is based on the *Person* class.

#### **4. What is encapsulation? How is encapsulation handled in Python?**

**Answer:**

-Encapsulation means to restrict access to variables and methods from a class. This tool is used to prevent a user from modifying data by accident but can be modified intentionally.

-Encapsulation is handled by typing a single "\_" or double "\_\_" underscore in front of a method or variable.

#### **5. What is polymorphism? Give examples of polymorphism from the precode and the Mayhem implementation.**

**Answer:**

-Polymorphism means that something can have many forms and in Python this means that a method name can be used more than once by different classes or types.

-The player classes are one example of polymorphism from my code. I have two different classes for the players, each containing the same method names. So, when I create instances of each class with different names, I can access methods inside these classes with the same name. Let's say each class has a method "move", so when I create instances I can write "*player1.move*" and "*player2.move*" and know which class the method belongs to.