Option D – Object oriented programming (OOP)

13. (a) Award [1 max].

These are data types that are **pre**-defined / fundamental / basic in the programming language;

A data type that is always assigned a value (in the memory);

They are the building blocks of the composite data types / classes / objects;

The types that are implemented directly as bit patterns (by a Java compiler);

(b) (i) Award [1 max] for any suitable example. Allow a description.

For example

hasParking;

hasPool;

hasGarden;

Whether the property has been sold or not;

(ii) Award [1 max] for any suitable example. Allow a description.

For example

numberRooms;

area;

The number of bathrooms;

(c) (i) Award [1 max].

Aggregation (allow Property 'has a' Owner);

(ii) Award [1 max].

Inheritance (allow House 'is a' Property);

House is a subclass of Property;

House inherits Property;

(d) Award [2 max].

Award [1] for distinguishing between a class and an instantiation at the definition level; Award [1] for including an example;

A class (e.g. House class) is a blueprint / definition / specification (that defines all variables and methods that are needed) and an instantiation of a class is creates a (new) object of that class [1] (e.g. a (new) object of an actual house giving its actual address etc [1];

(e) Award [2 max].

A static variable is used when it is to be a class variable (belongs to the class not to the instantiation);

It is used when all objects of that class are to have the same value for the static variable; It will not be instantiated when a new object is created;

If the value of a static variable is changed, it will be changed in all instances of that class; It does not require an object of that class to be accessed;

(f) Award [2 max].

Both classes House and Apartment need a static (integer) variable count; that is incremented whenever a new object of that class is created;

A static variable (e.g total) could be defined in the Property class; Which is incremented every time a House or Apartment object is instantiated;

A static method in the Property class retrieves the total number of house and apartments; From static total variables that are in each of the 2 sub-classes;

(g) Award [3 max].

Award [1] for the identifier (left-hand side); Award [1] for use of new; Award [1] for House [10]; House [] wishList = new House [10];