1. the hashValue %= hashSize is the same as writing

hashValue = hashValue % hashSize. It’s a shorter way of writing a modulo function that gives the remainder of the division of the two numbers.

1. if it were removed, we would have the hashValue x 31 + teststring[index]

basically we would only have the addition and multiplication above resulting in a high number.

3-5. I am not able to answer since my code could not complete. Even after moving the implementation of my definitions as per you and the book’s instructions, the code still came up with errors of correct syntax code.(see attached screenshot in folder)