SENG2200/6220 – Programming Languages & Paradigms Self-Quiz Solutions for Week 5, Semester 1, 2020

True/False Questions.

1. The code below is correct?

```
LinkedList<Integer> myList = new LinkedList<Integer>();
myList.add(new Integer(10));
myList.add(new Double(1.0));
```

False

Double object cannot be added.

2. The code below is correct?

```
LinkedList<Integer> myList = new LinkedList<Integer>();
LinkedList<Object> oList = myList;
```

False

LinkedList<Integer> is not a subtype of LinkedList<Object>.

3. Generics can convert run-time errors to compile-time errors.

True

4. Wildcard (?) can provide type safety control, or "write protection".

True

5. The result of the following **if** statement is true?

```
LinkedList<Integer> intList = new LinkedList<>();
LinkedList<Double> doubleList = new LinkedList<>();
if(intList.getClass() != doubleList.getClass()) ...
```

False

Due to the type erasure, the raw type of intList and doubleList will be Object. The method getClass() returns the raw type of the class.

- In bounded wildcards, supertype bounds allow read to a generic type T.
 False
- 7. Assume we have a generic/template class Box in Java and C++, respectively. The declaration below is allowed in both C++ and Java.

```
Box<int> yourList;
```

False

In Java, only the object types can be parameterised.

In C++, both object types and primitive types can be parameterised.

Short-Answer Questions

8. How would the Type Erasure mechanism translate the code below?

```
public class Sack<T> {
     void insert(T x) {...}
     T getRandom() {...}
}

public class Sack {
    void insert(Object x) {...}
    Object getRandom() {...}
}
```

- 9. What is the difference(s) between Java Generics and C++ Template during the compilation?
 - C++ has the keyword "template".
 - C++ cannot restrict the types of template parameters.
 - The use of Java Generics results in a single compiled copy of the methods and classes.
 - C++ templates actually invoke a <u>search-replace</u> on the formal type parameter for each parameterised type used in the code at compile time - resulting in multiple compiled methods and classes.