

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS ON INTRODUCTORY JAVA LANGUAGE FEATURES

1. Which of the following pairs of declarations will cause an error message?

I double x = 14.7;
int y = x;

II double x = 14.7;
int y = (int) x;

III int x = 14;
double y = x;

- (A) None
- (B) I only
- (C) II only
- (D) III only
- (E) I and III only

2. What output will be produced by the following?

```
System.out.print("\\* This is not\n a comment *\\");
```

- (A) * This is not a comment *
- (B) * This is not a comment *\
- (C) * This is not
a comment *
- (D) * This is not
a comment *\\
- (E) * This is not
a comment *\

3. Consider the following code segment.

```
if (n != 0 && x / n > 100)
    statement1;
else
    statement2;
```

If n is of type int and has a value of 0 when the segment is executed, what will happen?

- (A) An ArithmeticException will be thrown.
- (B) A syntax error will occur.
- (C) **statement1**, but not **statement2**, will be executed.
- (D) **statement2**, but not **statement1**, will be executed.
- (E) Neither **statement1** nor **statement2** will be executed; control will pass to the first statement following the if statement.

4. Refer to the following code fragment.

```
double answer = 13 / 5;  
System.out.println("13 / 5 = " + answer);
```

The output is

13 / 5 = 2.0

The programmer intends the output to be

13 / 5 = 2.6

Which of the following replacements for the first line of code will not fix the problem?

- (A) `double answer = (double) 13 / 5;`
- (B) `double answer = 13 / (double) 5;`
- (C) `double answer = 13.0 / 5;`
- (D) `double answer = 13 / 5.0;`
- (E) `double answer = (double) (13 / 5);`

5. What value is stored in result if

```
int result = 13 - 3 * 6 / 4 % 3;
```

- (A) -5
- (B) 0
- (C) 13
- (D) -1
- (E) 12

6. Suppose that addition and subtraction had higher precedence than multiplication and division. Then the expression

$2 + 3 * 12 / 7 - 4 + 8$

would evaluate to which of the following?

- (A) 11
- (B) 12
- (C) 5
- (D) 9
- (E) -4

7. Which is true of the following boolean expression, given that `x` is a variable of type `double`?

```
3.0 == x * (3.0 / x)
```

- (A) It will always evaluate to false.
- (B) It may evaluate to false for some values of `x`.
- (C) It will evaluate to false only when `x` is zero.
- (D) It will evaluate to false only when `x` is very large or very close to zero.
- (E) It will always evaluate to true.

8. Let x be a variable of type `double` that is positive. A program contains the boolean expression `(Math.pow(x,0.5) == Math.sqrt(x))`. Even though $x^{1/2}$ is mathematically equivalent to \sqrt{x} , the above expression returns the value `false` in a student's program. Which of the following is the most likely reason?

- (A) `Math.pow` returns an `int`, while `Math.sqrt` returns a `double`.
- (B) x was imprecisely calculated in a previous program statement.
- (C) The computer stores floating-point numbers with 32-bit words.
- (D) There is round-off error in calculating the `pow` and `sqrt` functions.
- (E) There is overflow error in calculating the `pow` function.

9. What will the output be for the following poorly formatted program segment, if the input value for `num` is 22?

```
int num = call to a method that reads an integer;  
if (num > 0)  
if (num % 5 == 0)  
System.out.println(num);  
else System.out.println(num + " is negative");
```

- (A) 22
- (B) 4
- (C) 2 is negative
- (D) 22 is negative
- (E) Nothing will be output.

10. What values are stored in `x` and `y` after execution of the following program segment?

```
int x = 30, y = 40;  
if (x >= 0)  
{  
    if (x <= 100)  
    {  
        y = x * 3;  
        if (y < 50)  
            x /= 10;  
    }  
    else  
        y = x * 2;  
}  
else  
    y = -x;
```

- (A) `x = 30 y = 90`
- (B) `x = 30 y = -30`
- (C) `x = 30 y = 60`
- (D) `x = 3 y = -3`
- (E) `x = 30 y = 40`

11. Which of the following will evaluate to true only if boolean expressions A, B, and C are all false?

- (A) `!A && !(B && !C)`
- (B) `!A || !B || !C`
- (C) `!(A || B || C)`
- (D) `!(A && B && C)`
- (E) `!A || !(B || !C)`

12. Assume that a and b are integers. The boolean expression

`!(a <= b) && (a * b > 0)`

will always evaluate to true given that

- (A) `a = b.`
- (B) `a > b.`
- (C) `a < b.`
- (D) `a > b and b > 0.`
- (E) `a > b and b < 0.`

13. Given that a, b, and c are integers, consider the boolean expression

`(a < b) || !((c == a * b) && (c < a))`

Which of the following will guarantee that the expression is true?

- (A) `c < a` is false.
- (B) `c < a` is true.
- (C) `a < b` is false.
- (D) `c == a * b` is true.
- (E) `c == a * b` is true, and `c < a` is true.

14. In the following code segment, you may assume that a, b, and n are all type int.

```
if (a != b && n / (a - b) > 90)
{
    /* statement 1 */
}
else
{
    /* statement 2 */
}
/* statement 3 */
```

What will happen if `a == b` is false?

- (A) `/* statement 1 */` will be executed.
- (B) `/* statement 2 */` will be executed.
- (C) Either `/* statement 1 */` or `/* statement 2 */` will be executed.
- (D) A compile-time error will occur.
- (E) An exception will be thrown.

15. Given that `n` and `count` are both of type `int`, which statement is true about the following code segments?

```
I for (count = 1; count <= n; count++)  
    System.out.println(count);
```

```
II count = 1;  
while (count <= n)  
{  
    System.out.println(count);  
    count++;  
}
```

- (A) I and II are exactly equivalent for all input values `n`.
(B) I and II are exactly equivalent for all input values $n \geq 1$, but differ when $n \leq 0$.
(C) I and II are exactly equivalent only when $n = 0$.
(D) I and II are exactly equivalent only when `n` is even.
(E) I and II are not equivalent for any input values of `n`.
16. The following fragment intends that a user will enter a list of positive integers at the keyboard and terminate the list with a sentinel.

```
int value = 0;  
final int SENTINEL = -999;  
while (value != SENTINEL)  
{  
    //code to process value  
    ...  
    value = ...;    //read user input  
}
```

The fragment is not correct. Which is a true statement?

- (A) The sentinel gets processed.
(B) The last nonsentinel value entered in the list fails to get processed.
(C) A poor choice of `SENTINEL` value causes the loop to terminate before all values have been processed.
(D) The code will always process a value that is not on the list.
(E) Entering the `SENTINEL` value as the first value causes a run-time error.

17. Consider this code segment.

```
int x = 10, y = 0;
while (x > 5)
{
    y = 3;
    while (y < x)
    {
        y *= 2;
        if (y % x == 1)
            y += x;
    }
    x -= 3;
}
System.out.println(x + " " + y);
```

What will be output after execution of this code segment?

- (A) 1 6
- (B) 7 12
- (C) -3 12
- (D) 4 12
- (E) -3 6

Questions 18 and 19 refer to the following method, `checkNumber`, which checks the validity of its four-digit integer parameter.

```
/** Returns true if the 4-digit integer n is valid,
 * false otherwise.
 */
boolean checkNumber(int n)
{
    int d1,d2,d3,checkDigit,nRemaining,rem;
    //strip off digits
    checkDigit = n % 10;
    nRemaining = n / 10;
    d3 = nRemaining % 10;
    nRemaining /= 10;
    d2 = nRemaining % 10;
    nRemaining /= 10;
    d1 = nRemaining % 10;
    //check validity
    rem = (d1 + d2 + d3) % 7;
    return rem == checkDigit;
}
```

A program invokes method `checkNumber` with the statement

```
boolean valid = checkNumber(num);
```

18. Which of the following values of `num` will result in `valid` having a value of `true`?
- (A) 6143
 - (B) 6144
 - (C) 6145
 - (D) 6146
 - (E) 6147
19. What is the purpose of the local variable `nRemaining`?
- (A) It is not possible to separate `n` into digits without the help of a temporary variable.
 - (B) `nRemaining` prevents the parameter `num` from being altered.
 - (C) `nRemaining` enhances the readability of the algorithm.
 - (D) On exiting the method, the value of `nRemaining` may be reused.
 - (E) `nRemaining` is needed as the left-hand side operand for integer division.

20. What output will be produced by this code segment? (Ignore spacing.)

```
for (int i = 5; i >= 1; i--)  
{  
    for (int j = i; j >= 1; j--)  
        System.out.print(2 * j - 1);  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

(A) 9 7 5 3 1
9 7 5 3
9 7 5
9 7
9

(B) 9 7 5 3 1
7 5 3 1
5 3 1
3 1
1

(C) 9 7 5 3 1
7 5 3 1 -1
5 3 1 -1 -3
3 1 -1 -3 -5
1 -1 -3 -5 -7

(D) 1
1 3
1 3 5
1 3 5 7
1 3 5 7 9

(E) 1 3 5 7 9
1 3 5 7
1 3 5
1 3
1

21. Which of the following program fragments will produce this output? (Ignore spacing.)

```
2 - - - - -
- 4 - - - -
- - 6 - - -
- - - 8 - -
- - - - 10 -
- - - - - 12
```

```
I for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++)
{
```

```
    for (int k = 1; k <= 6; k++)
        if (k == i)
            System.out.print(2 * k);
        else
            System.out.print("-");
    System.out.println();
}
```

```
II for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++)
```

```
{
    for (int k = 1; k <= i - 1; k++)
        System.out.print("-");
    System.out.print(2 * i);
    for (int k = 1; k <= 6 - i; k++)
        System.out.print("-");
    System.out.println();
}
```

```
III for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++)
```

```
{
    for (int k = 1; k <= i - 1; k++)
        System.out.print("-");
    System.out.print(2 * i);
    for (int k = i + 1; k <= 6; k++)
        System.out.print("-");
    System.out.println();
}
```

- (A) I only
- (B) II only
- (C) III only
- (D) I and II only
- (E) I, II, and III

22. Consider this program segment.

```
int newNum = 0, temp;
int num = k;           //k is some predefined integer value  $\geq 0$ 
while (num > 10)
{
    temp = num % 10;
    num /= 10;
    newNum = newNum * 10 + temp;
}
System.out.print(newNum);
```

Which is a true statement about the segment?

- I If $100 \leq \text{num} \leq 1000$ initially, the final value of newNum must be in the range $10 \leq \text{newNum} \leq 100$.
- II There is no initial value of num that will cause an infinite while loop.
- III If $\text{num} \leq 10$ initially, newNum will have a final value of 0.

- (A) I only
- (B) II only
- (C) III only
- (D) II and III only
- (E) I, II, and III

23. Consider the method reverse.

```
/** Returns n with its digits reversed.
 * - Example: If n = 234, method reverse returns 432.
 * Precondition: n > 0.
 */
int reverse(int n)
{
    int rem, revNum = 0;

    /* code segment */

    return revNum;
}
```

Which of the following replacements for `/* code segment */` would cause the method to work as intended?

```
I for (int i = 0; i <= n; i++)
{
    rem = n % 10;
    revNum = revNum * 10 + rem;
    n /= 10;
}
```

```
II while (n != 0)
{
    rem = n % 10;
    revNum = revNum * 10 + rem;
    n /= 10;
}
```

```
III for (int i = n; i != 0; i /= 10)
{
    rem = i % 10;
    revNum = revNum * 10 + rem;
}
```

- (A) I only
- (B) II only
- (C) I and II only
- (D) II and III only
- (E) I and III only