

**ECM2414**  
**(with Answers)**

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This is a formative class test. The mark of this paper does not count towards your final module mark.

Answer ALL questions.

This test paper contains 16 multiple-choice questions. Each question may have more than one correct answers, and you must select all the correct answers in order to obtain the 2 marks for that question.

Please note this is NOT a mock exam paper.

This is a CLOSED BOOK examination.

**Question 1**

When should you consider to use the *waterfall* software development methodology?

- (A) When the project is large.
- (B) When the project is small.
- (C) When the product definition is stable.
- (D) When the requirements are fixed and are not ambiguous.

**(2 marks)**

*B, C, D*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 2**

Choose the correct statement(s) about the *scrum* software development methodology.

- (A) Scrum is based on long fixed-length sprints.
- (B) Scrum doesn't have regular meetings every day.
- (C) Scrum doesn't need to have a final review meeting as it's expected that the product is developed and delivered in a good quality.
- (D) Scrum has a planning meeting at the beginning of the project.

**(2 marks)**

*D*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 3**

Choose the correct statement(s) about the *inner class* and *static nested class*.

- (A) An inner class can be accessed using the name of the enclosing class.
- (B) A static nested class can be accessed using the instance of the enclosing class.
- (C) A static nested class can access the instance members of the enclosing class.
- (D) An inner class can access the instance members of the enclosing class.

**(2 marks)**

*D*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 4**

Choose the correct statement(s) about the *thread* in software development.

- (A) A thread is treated as a lightweight process.
- (B) Threads exist within a process.
- (C) Threads share the local memory of an instance of a program.
- (D) Threads don't share the local memory of an instance of a program.

**(2 marks)**

A, B, C

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 5**

Why does a thread show non-deterministic behaviours?

- (A) It's because different users running the threads.
- (B) It's because the threads are scheduled by the operating system.
- (C) It's because the thread scheduler has different implementations on different operating systems.
- (D) A thread usually behaves the same if it always runs on the same operating system.

**(2 marks)**

*B, C*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 6**

Choose the correct statement(s) about the difference between the `wait()` and `sleep()` methods in Java.

- (A) `wait()` doesn't need to occur in a synchronised block.
- (B) `sleep()` must occur in a synchronised block.
- (C) `wait()` releases the lock when called.
- (D) `sleep()` releases the lock when called.

**(2 marks)**

C

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 7**

Choose the correct statement(s) about the thread lifecycle.

- (A) When the `start()` method is called, the thread enters the *New* state.
- (B) When the `start()` method is called, the thread enters the *Running* state.
- (C) When the `start()` method is called, the thread enters the *Runnable* state.
- (D) When the `sleep()` method is called, the thread enters the *Sleep* state.

**(2 marks)**

*C, D*

**(Total 2 marks)**



**Question 8**

Given that there are two threads created, namely *thread1* and *thread2*, choose the correct statement(s) about thread behaviours in the code snippet below

```
1 ...  
2     thread1.start();  
3     thread1.join();  
4     thread2.start();  
5 ...
```

- (A) Thread2 will start only after thread1 finishes.
- (B) Thread1 will start only after thread2 finishes.
- (C) Thread1 can start during the running of thread2.
- (D) Thread2 can start during the running of thread1.

(2 marks)

A

(Total 2 marks)

**Question 9**

What can *stale data* cause in multi-threading applications?

- (A) Unexpected exceptions
- (B) Inaccurate computations
- (C) Infinite loops
- (D) Corrupted data structures

**(2 marks)**

A, B, C, D

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 10**

Choose the correct statement(s) about lambda expressions in Java.

- (A) It cannot have zero argument.
- (B) It can have zero argument.
- (C) Argument types cannot be inferred.
- (D) Argument types can be inferred.

**(2 marks)**

*B, D*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 11**

Choose the correct statement(s) about events and listeners in Java.

- (A) They can only be used by GUIs.
- (B) They are not restricted to GUIs.
- (C) Java uses the delegation model to handle events and listeners.
- (D) The delegation model comprises two objects: event and listener.

**(2 marks)**

*B, C*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 12**

What is/are the benefit(s) of test-driven development?

- (A) It makes the code easier to test.
- (B) It designs the code from the user's point of view.
- (C) It designs the code from the developer's point of view.
- (D) It allows to write better programs.

**(2 marks)**

*A, B, D*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 13**

When should you consider to use mock objects in software testing?

- (A) When the real object is difficult to set up.
- (B) When the real object is slow to run.
- (C) When the real object doesn't exist.
- (D) When the real object has a user interface.

**(2 marks)**

*A, B, C, D*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 14**

Choose the correct statement(s) about the importance of unit testing.

- (A) It can reduce the overall debugging time.
- (B) It shows the expected behaviours of the code on various inputs.
- (C) It allows the testing of whether the method of an object works well with other programs of the system.
- (D) It allows the testing of whether the method of an object works well with other methods of the same object.

**(2 marks)**

*A, B*

**(Total 2 marks)**

**Question 15**

What is/are the benefit(s) of a white-box testing method?

- (A) It will reduce the bias of designing the tests.
- (B) It will introduce the bias of designing the tests.
- (C) It will enable a good code coverage.
- (D) It knows the internal working of the code.

**(2 marks)**

*C, D*

**(Total 2 marks)**



**Question 16**

When should you consider to use the V-model of software development?

- (A) When the project is large.
- (B) When the project is small.
- (C) When the requirements are varying.
- (D) When the requirements are ambiguous.

**(2 marks)**

*B*

**(Total 2 marks)**