1. What does the acronym COBOL stand for?

Common Business Oriented Language

1. What is ANSI and what purpose does it serve? (You may need to Google for a more compete answer)

**American National Standards Institute, A private non-profit organization that oversees the development of voluntary consensus standards for products like an organization**

1. List the four divisions of a COBOL program. State the purpose of each.

**Identification first division statements here define the name of the program and comments that describe the program’s function**

**ENVIRONMENT the second division. The particular system environment under which the program will run is defined here.**

**DATA the third division. This is where all data is defined. All programs manipulate data in some way.**

**PROCEDURE the final division. This division contains all the statements that determine what the program does. Any data items referred to must have been already defined in the Data Division.**

1. List the 5 paragraphs in the example on page 22.

**Source, Object,** INFILE, OUTFILE, Work-Field, LS-Field, **PARA-One**

**File-Control**

**Program-id**

1. How do you designate a line of comments?

**With \* then ----------------------- Column 7**

1. What columns are Area A in and what statements are coded here?

**8-11 names or containers while being bolded Infile and Outfile**

**Division sections paragraph**

1. What columns are Area B in and what statements are coded here?

**12-72 ‘**EMPL.Dat’ ‘Emplout.Dat **main statements**

1. Explain the difference between **Infile** and **datain** in the example on page 28.

Infile internal program names

Datain external (or real)physical file names

1. What is the purpose of the File Section?

**which is used when accessing data files. like holding the file**

1. What is the purpose of the Working-Storage Section?

**Holds all the working data items that the program needs during its executions**