

Cambridge IGCSE[™]

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Paper 2 Algorithms, Programming and Logic

MARK SCHEME

Maximum Mark: 75

Specimen

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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
 - the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded positively:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
 - marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

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GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

Mark scheme abbreviations

separates alternative words / phrases within a marking point

separates alternative answers within a marking point

underline actual word given must be used by candidate (grammatical variants accepted) max

indicates the maximum number of marks that can be awarded

the word / phrase in brackets is not required, but sets the context

Note: No marks are awarded for using brand names of software packages or hardware.

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Question		A	Answer	Marks
1(a)	One mark for each correct line.			4
	Pseudocode description		Pseudocode statement	
			FORTONEXT	
	a loop that will always iterate at least once			
			IFTHENELSEENDIF	
	a conditional statement to deal with many possible outcomes			
			WHILEDOENDWHILE	
	a loop that will always iterate a set number of times			
			CASEOFOTHERWISEENDCASE	
	a conditional statement with different outcomes for true and false			
			REPEATUNTIL	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)	 appropriate loop controls read from array output from array (the last two points can be in one statement, see example) 	က
	Note: reading and the output MUST be within the same loop.	
	For example:	
	WHILE Count < 50 DO	
	OUTPUT Name[Count] Count ← Count + 1	
	ENDWHILE	

Question	Answer	Marks
2	Validation check	4
	 One mark for description: To test if the data entered is possible / reasonable / sensible. A range check tests that data entered fits within specified values. 	
	One mark for example:Allow any correct validation check as an example (range, length, type, presence, format, etc.).	
	Verification check	
	 One mark for description: To test if the data input is the same as the data that was intended to be input. A double entry check expects each item of data to be entered twice and compares both entries to check they are the same. 	
	One mark for example: Allow any correct verification check as an example (visual, double entry, etc.).	

Question	Answer	Marks
3	В	_

Question	Answer	Marks
4	One mark for a hierarchical structure. One mark for suitable names for the sub-systems. One mark for identifiable outputs. One mark for identifiable outputs.	4
	For example:	
	Satellite navigation system	
	Input destination Output directions	
	New destination Saved destination Map List	

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)	 One mark for each error identified and correction: Numbers should be Number IF Number > 100 should be IF Number >= 100 INPUT Number is missing from inside the loop, insert INPUT Number after the ENDIF statement. The final OUTPUT Number is not needed, remove it. 	4
5(b)	One mark for both ends of the range and correct inequality symbols. One mark for the AND // nested IFs. The test should be IF Number >= 100 AND Number <= 200	7

Marks	4	4
Answer	One mark for each correct gate, with the correct input(s) as shown. B C	A B C X 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 Four marks for eight correct outputs. Two marks for four or five correct outputs.
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Question	6(a)	(p)

Question					٩	Answer			Marks
7(a)	Flag	Count	Name [1]	Name[2]	Name[3]	Name [4]	Temp		S.
			Jamal	Amir	Eve	Tara			
	0	1	Amir	Jamal	EVe	Tara	Jamal		
	П	2	Amir	EVE	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	П	ĸ	Amir	EVe	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	П	4	Amir	EVE	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	0	1	Amir	EVe	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	0	2	Amir	EVe	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	0	m	Amir	EVe	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	0	4	Amir	Eve	Jamal	Tara	Jamal		
	One mark for the control one mark for the control one mark for the control one	One mark for Flag column. One mark for Count column. One mark for Temp column. Two marks for all correct Nar Note: Repeated values do no	One mark for Flag column. One mark for Count column. One mark for Temp column. Two marks for all correct Name columns or or Note: Repeated values do not need to be writt	umns or one I to be writter	mark for two	One mark for Flag column. One mark for Count column. One mark for Temp column. Two marks for all correct Name columns or one mark for two or three correct Name columns. Note: Repeated values do not need to be written unless a value is rewritten.	rect Name :en.	columns.	
7(b)	bubble ascend	sort / sortin	bubble sort / sorting the names ascending order / A to Z / lowest to highest / alphabetical order	st to highest	/ alphabetica	al order			2

Question	Answer	Marks
8	One mark for each.	က
	10.00 boundary / abnormal data // the price should be rejected // value is out of range 9.99 boundary / extreme / normal data // the price should be accepted // value is within normal range ten abnormal data // input should be rejected // value is wrong type	

Question	Answer	Marks
6	Any three from:	က
	 data is not lost when the computer is switched off // data is stored permanently 	
	 data can be used by more than one program or reused when a program is run again 	
	data can be backed up or archived	
	 data can be transported from one place / system to another. 	

Question		Answer	Mari	Marks
11(a)	20			1
11(b)(i)	CatNo			_
11(b)(ii)	it is a unique identifier	entifier		_
11(c)	Two marks for t	Two marks for four correct answers. One mark for two or three correct answers.		7
	Field	Data type		
	CatNo	Text		
	Title	Text		
	Genre1	Text		
	Streaming	Boolean / Text		
11(d)	FROM "Comedy"			8

Question	Answer	Marks
12(a)	One mark for each correct line.	က
	 × >	
	DECLARE 1 : INTEGER	
12(b)	One mark for storing string in x. One mark for calling the function length. One mark for using the correct parameter x. One mark for using the substring function. One mark for correct parameters. One mark for outputting length and substring return values. For example: X ← "Programming is fun" OUTPUT Length (X) Y ← 16	O
	$Z \leftarrow 3$ OUTPUT SubString (X, Y, Z)	

Question		Answer	Marks
13	Read the whole	Read the whole answer, award a mark from both of the following tables and add up the total.	15
	Marks are available for: AO2 (maximum 9 r AO3 (maximum 6 r	s are available for: AO2 (maximum 9 marks) AO3 (maximum 6 marks).	
	The techniques function from the	The techniques and the data structures required are listed below. The requirements may be met using a suitable built-in function from the programming language used (e.g. Python, VB.NET or Java).	
	Techniques required: R1 Calculate total mar R2 Calculate average R3 Selection of grade R4 Output for each str R5 Calculate, store an	Calculate total mark for each student (iteration and totalling). Calculate total mark for each student rounded to the nearest whole number. Selection of grade for each student (selection). Output for each student name, total mark, average mark, grade awarded (output with appropriate messages). Calculate, store and output the number of distinctions, merits, passes and fails for the whole class (iteration, counting and output with appropriate messages).	
	Data structures required: The names underlined mus	Data structures required: The names underlined must be used as provided in the scenario.	
	Arrays or lists (Arrays or lists StudentName, StudentMark, (TotalMark and AverageMark may be seen but no requirement to store)	
	Variables I	ClassSize, SubjectNo, SubjectCounter, StudentCounter DistinctionNo, MeritNo, PassNo, FailNo could be an array or list	
	Constants	Distinction, Merit, Pass could be variables	

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Question	Answer	Marks
13	Example 15 mark answer in pseudocode.	
	// meaningful identifier names and appropriate data structures (variables, constants and the // given arrays) to store all the data required DECLARE TotalMark: ARRAY[1:50] OF INTEGER DECLARE AverageMark: ARRAY[1:50] OF INTEGER DECLARE SubjectCounter: INTEGER DECLARE StudentCounter: INTEGER DECLARE DistinctionNo: INTEGER DECLARE MeritNo: INTEGER DECLARE PassNo: INTEGER DECLARE FailNo: INTEGER	
	CONSTANT Distinction = 70 CONSTANT Merit = 55 CONSTANT Pass = 40 // initialisation processes for this scenario, initialising the running totals used for // grades and combined totals DistinctionNo ← 0 MeritNo ← 0 PassNo ← 0 FailNo ← 0	
	FOR StudentCounter \leftarrow 1 to ClassSize TotalMark[StudentCounter] \leftarrow 0 NEXT StudentCounter // programming techniques of iteration, selection, totalling, counting and output are used	

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Question	Answer	Marks
13	<pre>dentCounter ← 1 to ClassSize ubjectCounter ← 1 to SubjectNo alMark[StudentCounter] ← TotalMark[S ubjectCounter] SubjectCounter] SubjectCounter SubjectCounter GeMark[StudentCounter] ← INT((TotalMark[StudentCounter]) >= Distincter T "Average mark ", AverageMark[StudentCounter] >= Distincter BranchionNo ← DistinctionNo + 1 UTPUT "Grade Distinction" E F AverageMark[StudentCounter] >= Meri THEN MeritNo ← MeritNo + 1 OUTPUT "Grade Merit" ELSE IF AverageMark[StudentCounter] >= IF AverageMark[StudentCounter] >=</pre>	
	ENDIF NEXT StudentCounter	
	OUTPUT "Number of Distinctions ", DistinctionNo OUTPUT "Number of Merits ", MeritNo OUTPUT "Number of Passes ", PassNo OUTPUT "Number of Fails ", FailNo	

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AO2: Apply knowledge and design of co	AO2: Apply knowledge and understanding of the principles and concepts of computer science to a given context, including the analysis and design of computational or programming problems	nd concepts of computer science to a ç	given context, including the analysis
0	1–3	4–6	6–2
	At least one programming technique has been used.	Some programming techniques used are appropriate to the problem.	The range of programming techniques used is appropriate to the problem.
	Any use of selection, iteration, counting, totalling, input and output.	More than one technique seen applied to the scenario, refer to the list of techniques needed.	All criteria stated for the scenario have been covered by the use of appropriate programming techniques, refer to the list of techniques needed.
No creditable response	Some data has been stored but not appropriately.	Some of the data structures chosen are appropriate and store some of the data required.	The data structures chosen are appropriate and store all the data required.
	Any use of variables or arrays or other language-dependent data structures, e.g. Python lists.	More than one data structure used to store data that is required by the scenario.	The data structures used store all the data that is required by the scenario.

AO3: Provide solutions to problems by: • evaluating computer systems • making reasoned judgements • presenting conclusions	vide solutions to problems by: evaluating computer systems making reasoned judgements presenting conclusions		
0	1–2	3–4	9–9
	Program seen without relevant comments.	Program seen with some relevant comment(s).	The program has been fully commented.
	Some identifier names used are appropriate.	The majority of identifiers used are appropriately named.	Suitable identifiers with names meaningful to their purpose have been used throughout.
	Some of the data structures used have meaningful names.	Most of the data structures used have meaningful names.	All the data structures used have meaningful names.
	The solution is illogical.	The solution contains parts that may be illogical.	The program is in a logical order.
No creditable response	The solution is inaccurate in many places.	The solution contains parts that are inaccurate.	The solution is accurate.
	Solution contains few lines of code, with errors, that attempt to perform a task given in the scenario.	Solution contains lines of code, with some errors, that logically perform tasks given in the scenario. Ignore minor syntax errors.	given in the scenario. Ignore minor syntax errors.
	The solution attempts at least one of the requirements.	The solution meets most of the requirements.	The solution meets all the requirements given in the question.
	Solution contains lines of code that attempt at least one task given in the scenario.	Solution contains lines of code that perform most tasks given in the scenario.	Solution performs all the tasks given in the scenario.

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