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   * serialization
   * abstraction
   * dependency injection
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private static object objA;

private static object objB;

private static void performTaskA()

{

lock (obj)

{

Thread.Sleep(1000);

lock (objA) { }

}

}

private static void PerformTaskB()

{

lock (objA)

{

lock (objB) { }

}

}

* + a private class that uses multithreading
  + multithread coding
  + thread mismanagement
  + **a potential deadlock**

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   * It allows access to asynchronous methods in the C# API
   * It allows thread pooling and synchronous processes in static classes.
   * **It allows the await keyword to be used in a method**
   * It allows access to synchronous methods in the C# API
6. **What is an object in C#?**
   * a class or struct, including its variables and functions
   * a primitive data type that can be created only at compile time
   * a value type that can be used only with an abstract class
   * **an instance of a class or struct that includes fields, properties, and/or methods**
7. **Which code snippet declares an anonymous type named userData?**
   * var<<!---->T> userData = new <<!---->T> { name = "John", age = 32 };
   * **var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };**
   * AType userData = new AType { name = "John", age = 32 };
   * Anonymous<T> userData = new Anonymous<T> { name = "John", age = 32 };
8. **What will be returned when this method is executed?**  
   public void userInput(string charParamters) { }
   * **nothing**
   * a Boolean
   * a string variable
   * an integer
9. **In what order would the employee names in this example be printed to the console?**

string[] employees = { "Joe", "Bob", "Carol", "Alice", "Will" };

IEnumerable<string> employeeQuery = from person in employees

orderby person

select person;

foreach(string employee in employeeQuery)

{

Console.WriteLine(employee);

}

* + **ascending**
  + unordered
  + descending
  + first in, first out

1. **Lambda expressions are often used in tandem with which of the following?**
   * Namespaces
   * **LINQ**
   * Type Aliasing
   * Assemblies
2. **What is the correct formatting for single line and multiline comments?**
   * /*/ - Single Line  
     /* - Multiline
   * // Multiline  
     /\_ Single Line \_/
   * //\* Multiline  
     / Single Line
   * **// Single Line  
     /\_ Multiline \_/**
3. **How do you make a method in an abstract class overridable?**
   * Make it public
   * Make it static
   * Make it private
   * **Make it virtual**
4. **How would you write code for an integer property called Age with a getter and setter?**
   * public int Age { get - set }
   * public int Age: get set;
   * public int Age (get, set );
   * **public int Age { get; set; }**
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   * a class that is denoted by the class keyword (can be seen and used by any other class in the system–thus it is by default public)
   * something denoted by the abstract keyword and used system wide; if you want any program to create an object of a class you use the abstract class
   * a class that is denoted by the virtual keyword
   * **a class that can be used only as base class**
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   * The thread is destroyed and memory is freed up.
   * The thread runs in loop until the next assignment.
   * **The thread goes inactive in the background and waits for garbage collection.**
   * The thread returns to the pool for reuse.
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   * a second base class
   * a revised class
   * **a derived class**
   * a parent class
8. **What does operator overloading allow you to do?**
   * hide built-in operatores when necessary
   * add methods to be interpreted by the compiler at runtime
   * define how enums and other primitive value types work within the rest of the application
   * **define custom functionality for common operators like addition and equality**
9. **What it the main purpose of LINQ?**
   * to delete duplicate data
   * to bind namespaces and assemblies
   * **to query and transform data**
   * to connect assemblies
10. **What is the correct syntax for a new generic list of strings named contacts?**
    * public List contacts = new List();
    * public List(string names) contacts = new List(string names)();
    * **var contacts = new List();**
    * var contacts = new List(string);
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    * Throw clauses fire only at runtime, while throw exceptions can fire at any time.
    * **Throw exceptions overwrite the stack trace, while throw clauses retain the stack information.**
    * Throw clauses overwrite the stack trace, while throw exceptions retain the stack information.
    * Throw exceptions fire only at runtime, while throw clauses can fire during compile time.
12. **When an asynchronous method is executed, the code runs but nothing happens other than a compiler warning. What is most likely causing the method to not return anything?**
    * The return yield statement is missing at the end of the method.
    * **The method is missing an await keyword in its body.**
    * The wait keyword is missing from the end of the method.
    * The yield keyword is missing from the method.
13. **What are C# events?**
    * system actions that communicate directly with the compiler at runtime
    * actions that execute when the code compiles, generating logs and test output
    * **actions that generate notifications, which are sent to their registered listeners\*\* <= Correct**
    * user-only methods that send data to the application’s back end
14. **What kind of values can arrays store?**
    * unordered collections of numerc values
    * key-value pairs of any C# supported type
    * class and struct instances
    * **multiple variables, or collections, of the same type**

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The correct answer is: **When you need a list of capabilities and data that are classes-agnostic, use an interface. When you need a certain object type to share characteristics, use an abstract class.**

Explanation: Interfaces and abstract classes serve different purposes and have distinct advantages based on the situation.

Interfaces are used to define a contract that classes must adhere to. They describe a set of methods that implementing classes must provide. Interfaces are useful when you want to ensure that various classes, which might not have a common ancestor, adhere to a certain behavior. This allows you to achieve a high level of abstraction, making your code more flexible and enabling better code reuse.

Abstract classes, on the other hand, are used to provide a common base implementation and to share code among related classes. Abstract classes can define methods (including abstract methods that must be overridden by derived classes) as well as fields, properties, and non-abstract methods. Abstract classes are suitable when you want to provide a shared implementation to a group of closely related classes.

Given the options you provided:

* **When you need to define an object type’s characteristics, use an interface. When you need to define an object type’s capabilities, use an abstract class.**: This statement correctly distinguishes the use cases of interfaces and abstract classes. Interfaces define characteristics (behavior) while abstract classes define capabilities (implementation).
* **Interfaces are a legacy of older versions of C#, and are interchangeable with the newer abstract class feature.**: This statement is not accurate. Interfaces and abstract classes are distinct features in C#, each with its own use cases.
* **You should use both an interface and an abstract class when defining any complex object.**: This is not a general rule. While it's possible to use both in certain scenarios, it's not necessary for defining all complex objects. The choice between using an interface, an abstract class, or a combination depends on the design requirements of the specific problem you're solving.

In summary, interfaces are better suited for defining a list of capabilities that classes can implement, while abstract classes are better suited for providing a shared implementation to a group of related classes.

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   * Delegates are not supported in the current version of C#
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   * Only variables can be passed to delegates as parameters.
   * **They can be chained together.**

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The statement that is true of delegates is: **They can be chained together.**

Explanation:

Delegates in C# are used to define references to methods and provide a way to encapsulate and pass around methods as if they were first-class objects. Delegates can be used as a callback mechanism and they allow you to pass methods as parameters to other methods.

One of the powerful features of delegates is that they can be chained together using the **+=** operator. This is commonly referred to as "multicast delegates." When multiple methods are assigned to a delegate, invoking the delegate will call all the methods in the order they were added. This chaining of methods can be useful in scenarios where you want to execute a sequence of operations when a delegate is invoked.

So, among the given options:

* **Delegates are not supported in the current version of C#**: This is not true. Delegates are indeed supported in C#.
* **They cannot be used as callbacks.**: This is not true. Delegates are commonly used as callbacks to execute specific code when an event or condition occurs.
* **Only variables can be passed to delegates as parameters.**: This is not true. Methods can also be passed as parameters to delegates.
* **They can be chained together.**: This is true. Delegates can be combined together using the **+=** operator to create a multicast delegate that invokes multiple methods in sequence.

1. **Which choice best defines C#'s asynchronous programming model?**
   * reactive
   * inherited callback
   * **task-based**
   * callback-based

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The choice that best defines C#'s asynchronous programming model is: **task-based**

Explanation:

C# introduced the Task-based Asynchronous Programming (TAP) model to simplify asynchronous programming. The TAP model is built around the **Task** and **Task<T>** types, which represent asynchronous operations. It provides a more structured and readable way to work with asynchronous operations compared to traditional callback-based approaches.

In the TAP model, you use **async** and **await** keywords to write asynchronous code that appears similar to synchronous code in terms of flow. Asynchronous methods return **Task** or **Task<T>** objects that represent the ongoing operations, allowing you to wait for their completion using **await** without blocking the calling thread.

So, among the given options:

* **reactive**: This term is not specifically related to C#'s asynchronous programming model. It generally refers to reactive programming patterns and libraries like Reactive Extensions (Rx).
* **inherited callback**: This is not a widely recognized term for C#'s asynchronous programming model.
* **task-based**: This is the correct and most commonly used term to describe C#'s asynchronous programming model.
* **callback-based**: While C# did use callback-based asynchronous patterns in the past, the modern approach is more task-based with the introduction of the **async** and **await** keywords.

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   * A

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* + B

var typeof(MyPresentationModel).Should().BeDecoratedWith<SomeAttribute>();

* + C

Attribute.GetCustomAttribute, typeof(SubControllerActionToViewDataAttribute)

* + **D**

Attribute.GetCustomAttribute(typeof(ExampleController), typeof(SubControllerActionToViewDataAttribute))

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The correct choices are B and D.

* **B:** **var typeof(MyPresentationModel).Should().BeDecoratedWith<SomeAttribute>();** This choice uses FluentAssertions (probably from a testing framework like NUnit or xUnit) to assert that a class (**MyPresentationModel**) is decorated with a specific attribute (**SomeAttribute**).
* **D:** **Attribute.GetCustomAttribute(typeof(ExampleController), typeof(SubControllerActionToViewDataAttribute))** This choice uses the **Attribute.GetCustomAttribute** method to retrieve a custom attribute (**SubControllerActionToViewDataAttribute**) from a specific class (**ExampleController**).

Choices A and C are not valid methods for determining if a class has a particular attribute.

* **A:** **var type = typeof(SomeType); var attribute = type.GetCustomAttribute<SomeAttribute>();** This code retrieves the attribute from the **SomeType** type, but it doesn't give information about whether a class has a particular attribute or not.
* **C:** **Attribute.GetCustomAttribute, typeof(SubControllerActionToViewDataAttribute)** This is not valid syntax. It seems to be a fragment and lacks proper usage context.

In summary, choices B and D are the methods that allow you to determine if a class has a particular attribute in C#.

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The correct difference between the **ref** and **out** keywords is:

**Variables passed to ref specify that the parameter is an output parameter, while out specifies that a variable may be passed to a function without being initialized.**

Explanation:

1. **ref Keyword**: When a variable is passed using the **ref** keyword, it means that the variable is initially assigned a value before being passed to the function. This initial value is used by the function, and the function can also modify the value, which will be reflected in the original variable after the function call.
2. **out Keyword**: When a variable is passed using the **out** keyword, it indicates that the variable is an output parameter. This means that the function is responsible for assigning a value to the variable within the function before it returns. The initial value of the variable before the function call is not considered, and the variable doesn't need to be explicitly initialized before being passed to the function.

So, among the given options:

* **Variables passed to out specify that the parameter is an output parameter, while ref specifies that a variable may be passed to a function without being initialized.**: This statement accurately describes the difference between the **ref** and **out** keywords in terms of their behavior and usage.
* **Variables passed to ref can be passed to a function without being initialized, while out specifies that the value is a reference value that can be changed inside the calling method.**: This statement incorrectly describes the behavior of **ref** and **out** keywords.
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What is the difference between the ref and out keywords?

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The **ref** and **out** keywords in C# are used to pass arguments to methods by reference, allowing the method to modify the values of the arguments. However, there is a key difference between these two keywords:

1. **ref Keyword**:
   * When a variable is passed as a **ref** parameter to a method, it means that the variable must be initialized before passing it to the method.
   * The method can both read and modify the value of the **ref** parameter.
   * Any changes made to the **ref** parameter inside the method are reflected in the original variable after the method call.
   * The variable passed as **ref** must be assigned a value before entering the method, and the method is allowed to assume that it is already initialized.
2. **out Keyword**:
   * When a variable is passed as an **out** parameter to a method, it means that the variable does not need to be initialized before passing it to the method.
   * The method must assign a value to the **out** parameter before the method exits.
   * An **out** parameter is typically used when a method needs to return multiple values or when the value of a parameter is determined within the method itself.
   * Unlike **ref**, an **out** parameter does not require the variable to be initialized before passing it to the method. However, the method is obligated to assign a value to it before the method returns.

In summary, the main difference between **ref** and **out** lies in the requirement of variable initialization before passing it to the method. With **ref**, the variable must be initialized, while with **out**, it does not need to be initialized, but the method must assign a value to it before returning.

1. **How could you retrieve information about a class, as well as create an instance at runtime?**
   * **reflection**
   * serialization
   * abstraction
   * dependency injection

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The correct answer is: **reflection**

Explanation:

Reflection is a feature in programming languages like C# that allows you to inspect and interact with the metadata and structure of types (classes, interfaces, structs, etc.) at runtime. With reflection, you can retrieve information about classes, their properties, methods, fields, attributes, and more. You can also create instances of classes dynamically at runtime using reflection.

Here are some tasks that reflection allows you to perform:

* Get information about a class, such as its name, methods, properties, fields, and attributes.
* Create instances of classes dynamically without knowing their type at compile time.
* Invoke methods and access properties, fields, and events dynamically.
* Examine and manipulate custom attributes attached to classes, methods, or properties.
* Discover interfaces, base classes, and more about types.

Serialization is a process that involves converting an object's state to a format that can be easily stored, transmitted, or reconstructed, usually for the purpose of persistence or communication. It is not primarily about retrieving information or creating instances of classes.

Abstraction is a programming concept that involves hiding the complex implementation details and exposing only the necessary functionality. It is not directly related to retrieving information about classes or creating instances.

Dependency injection is a design pattern that involves passing dependencies (usually other objects or services) to a class rather than having the class create them itself. It helps in achieving loose coupling between classes and is not focused on retrieving class information or creating instances at runtime.

In the context of the given question, **reflection** is the correct answer for dynamically retrieving class information and creating instances at runtime.

1. **What is this code an example of?**

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private static object objB;

private static void performTaskA()

{

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{

Thread.Sleep(1000);

lock (objA) { }

}

}

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{

lock (objA)

{

lock (objB) { }

}

}

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This code is an example of: **a potential deadlock**

Explanation:

A deadlock occurs when two or more threads are each waiting for a resource that the other thread holds, resulting in a situation where none of the threads can proceed. The code you provided exhibits a potential deadlock scenario due to the use of nested locks.

Here's what's happening in the code:

1. The **performTaskA** method locks on **obj** and then sleeps for 1000 milliseconds (1 second). During this time, other threads are blocked from entering the **performTaskA** method because of the lock on **obj**.
2. Meanwhile, the **PerformTaskB** method locks on **objA**.

Now, if a thread enters the **PerformTaskB** method while the **performTaskA** method is already locked on **obj**, and if another thread enters the **performTaskA** method while the **PerformTaskB** method is already locked on **objA**, a deadlock can occur:

* The first thread locks **obj** and enters the **performTaskA** method.
* The second thread locks **objA** and enters the **PerformTaskB** method.
* The first thread, inside the **performTaskA** method, attempts to lock **objA**. However, **objA** is locked by the second thread in the **PerformTaskB** method.
* The second thread, inside the **PerformTaskB** method, attempts to lock **obj**. However, **obj** is locked by the first thread in the **performTaskA** method.

Both threads are now waiting for resources that the other thread holds, leading to a situation where neither thread can proceed. This is a classic example of a potential deadlock.

To avoid deadlocks, it's important to carefully manage the order in which locks are acquired and released to prevent circular dependencies and ensure that resources are released in the correct order.

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The correct answer is: **Anonymous types don’t have type names**

Explanation:

Anonymous types are a feature in languages like C# that allow you to create objects with properties without explicitly defining a class. The primary difference between an anonymous type and a regular data type (defined class) is that anonymous types don't have explicit type names. Instead, they are generated by the compiler based on the properties you define.

Here are the key characteristics of anonymous types:

1. **No Explicit Type Name**: Anonymous types are created using the **new** keyword and object initializer syntax, but without specifying a class name.
2. **Properties**: You can define properties directly within the creation expression. The properties are inferred by the compiler based on the names and values you provide.
3. **Read-Only**: The properties of an anonymous type are read-only. You can initialize their values when creating the instance, but you cannot change them afterward.
4. **Limited Usage Scope**: Anonymous types are usually used within the scope of the method or code block where they are defined. They are suitable for scenarios where you need to create a simple, one-time-use data structure without the overhead of defining a separate class.
5. **Used with LINQ**: Contrary to the statement "Anonymous types don’t work with LINQ," anonymous types are actually often used in LINQ queries to create temporary data structures for specific purposes.

Regular data types (defined classes) are explicitly named classes that you define in your code. They are used when you need to create reusable data structures with well-defined properties and methods.

The other options:

* **Anonymous types can only be static**: This is not true. Anonymous types do not have the concept of static or instance members like regular classes.
* **Anonymous types can be used only in structs**: This is not true. Anonymous types can be used within methods or code blocks, similar to how you use regular classes.
* **Anonymous types don’t work with LINQ**: This is not true. Anonymous types are commonly used with LINQ to create intermediate data structures for query results.

1. **When would you use a Dictionary rather that an Array type in your application?**
   * when you need a jagged collection structure
   * when you need to store values of the same type
   * **when you need to store key-value pairs rather than single values**
   * when you need an ordered, searchable list

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You would use a Dictionary rather than an Array type in your application when you need to store key-value pairs rather than single values.

Explanation:

A Dictionary is a data structure in C# that allows you to store and retrieve values using keys. Each value in a Dictionary is associated with a unique key that you use to access that value. Dictionaries are often used when you have a collection of data where each piece of data has a specific identifier (key), and you want to efficiently retrieve values based on those identifiers.

On the other hand, an Array is a data structure that stores a collection of elements of the same type in a sequential order. Arrays are suitable when you need to store a list of values and access them using an index.

In the context of the options given:

* **when you need a jagged collection structure**: This is not a direct comparison between Dictionaries and Arrays. A jagged collection structure refers to arrays of arrays, often used for irregular or multidimensional data.
* **when you need to store values of the same type**: This is a characteristic of Arrays. Dictionaries are used when you need to associate values with specific keys, regardless of the value types.
* **when you need to store key-value pairs rather than single values**: This is the correct reason to use a Dictionary. Dictionaries provide a way to efficiently store, retrieve, and manage key-value pairs.
* **when you need an ordered, searchable list**: This is not a characteristic of Dictionaries. Dictionaries are not inherently ordered (though in C# 6.0 and later, insertion order is preserved) and are used for quick access based on keys rather than searching.

In summary, you would use a Dictionary when you need to associate key-value pairs, whereas you would use an Array when you want to store a list of values of the same type.

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   * The .Equals method compares primitive values while == compares all values.
   * **The .Equals method compares contents while == compares references reference identity.**
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The correct answer is: **The .Equals method compares contents while == compares reference identity.**

Explanation:

In C#, **a.Equals(b)** and **a == b** are two different ways of comparing objects or values, and they have distinct behaviors:

1. **a.Equals(b)**:
   * The **.Equals** method is a virtual method inherited from the **System.Object** class and can be overridden by derived classes to provide custom comparison logic.
   * When you call **a.Equals(b)**, you're invoking the method on the object **a** to compare its content or value with the content or value of object **b**. The default behavior of **.Equals** compares the content, not the reference identity.
2. **a == b**:
   * The **==** operator is used for comparing the reference identity of objects by default (for reference types), and it can also be overloaded for custom comparison logic.
   * When you use **a == b**, you're comparing the reference identity of object **a** and object **b**. For value types (structs), the **==** operator can also compare their values, depending on whether the operator has been overridden.

So, in the context of your question, the correct statement is: **The .Equals method compares contents while == compares reference identity.**

The other options:

* **The .Equals method compares reference identities while the == compares contents.**: This is the opposite of the correct statement. The **.Equals** method compares contents, and **==** compares reference identity by default.
* **The .Equals method compares primitive values while == compares all values.**: This is not accurate. **.Equals** can be used to compare any values, not just primitive values.
* **The .Equals method compares reference type while == compares primitive value types.**: This is not accurate. Both **.Equals** and **==** can be used to compare values of different types, not just reference types or primitive value types.

1. **Which choice best describes a deadlock situation?**
   * when you try to instantiate two objects at the same time in the same class or struct
   * when you are trying to execute an action after a user event is registered
   * **when simultaneous instructions are waiting on each other to finish before executing**
   * when you try to execute a series of events simultaneously on multiple threads

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The choice that best describes a deadlock situation is:

**when simultaneous instructions are waiting on each other to finish before executing**

Explanation:

A deadlock occurs when two or more threads or processes are each waiting for a resource or condition that the other holds, resulting in a standstill where none of them can proceed. Deadlocks often happen in multithreaded environments, where multiple threads need to access shared resources and synchronization mechanisms.

In the given choices:

* **when you try to instantiate two objects at the same time in the same class or struct**: This doesn't specifically describe a deadlock situation. Instantiating objects typically doesn't lead to deadlocks.
* **when you are trying to execute an action after a user event is registered**: This doesn't inherently describe a deadlock. It might relate to user interaction and event handling but not deadlock scenarios.
* **when simultaneous instructions are waiting on each other to finish before executing**: This is the accurate description of a deadlock situation. In a deadlock, two or more threads or processes are stuck because they are waiting for each other's resources or actions to complete.
* **when you try to execute a series of events simultaneously on multiple threads**: This might relate to concurrency or parallel execution but doesn't specifically describe a deadlock situation.

1. **How does the async keyword work?**
   * It allows access to asynchronous methods in the C# API
   * It allows thread pooling and synchronous processes in static classes.
   * **It allows the await keyword to be used in a method**
   * It allows access to synchronous methods in the C# API

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The correct answer is:

**It allows the await keyword to be used in a method**

Explanation:

The **async** keyword in C# is used to define asynchronous methods. Asynchronous methods are those that can run in the background without blocking the main thread. The key feature of the **async** keyword is its ability to use the **await** keyword inside the method, which allows you to asynchronously wait for the completion of tasks.

Here's how it works:

1. When you mark a method with the **async** keyword, it becomes an asynchronous method. The method can include the **await** keyword to pause its execution while an asynchronous operation (like a task or operation that involves I/O) is in progress.
2. When you use the **await** keyword inside an **async** method, it essentially tells the runtime to pause the execution of the method and allow the main thread to continue its work. The method's execution will resume once the awaited operation is completed.
3. The method returns a special type called **Task** or **Task<T>** (depending on whether it returns a value or not) which represents the ongoing asynchronous operation. This allows the caller of the method to continue its work without blocking.
4. The **async** method itself can be awaited when it's called, allowing you to chain asynchronous operations and manage the flow of asynchronous code more effectively.

So, while the other options mention accessing methods in the C# API or thread pooling, the primary purpose of the **async** keyword is to enable the use of the **await** keyword within methods to handle asynchronous operations.

1. **What is an object in C#?**
   * a class or struct, including its variables and functions
   * a primitive data type that can be created only at compile time
   * a value type that can be used only with an abstract class
   * **an instance of a class or struct that includes fields, properties, and/or methods**

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The correct answer is:

**an instance of a class or struct that includes fields, properties, and/or methods**

Explanation:

In C#, an object is a runtime instance of a class or struct. It's a concrete instantiation of the blueprint defined by the class or struct. Objects encapsulate data and behavior within themselves by holding fields (variables), properties, and methods defined in the class or struct.

Here's what the options mean:

* **a class or struct, including its variables and functions**: This describes the blueprint or template that defines the structure and behavior of objects. Objects are instances created from these classes or structs.
* **a primitive data type that can be created only at compile time**: This is not an accurate description of an object. Objects are instances of classes or structs, not primitive data types.
* **a value type that can be used only with an abstract class**: This is not an accurate description. Objects can be instances of both classes and structs, and they are not limited to being used only with abstract classes.
* **an instance of a class or struct that includes fields, properties, and/or methods**: This is the correct and concise definition of an object in C#. Objects are instances of classes or structs that hold data (fields and properties) and behavior (methods).

1. **Which code snippet declares an anonymous type named userData?**
   * var<<!---->T> userData = new <<!---->T> { name = "John", age = 32 };
   * **var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };**
   * AType userData = new AType { name = "John", age = 32 };
   * Anonymous<T> userData = new Anonymous<T> { name = "John", age = 32 };

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The correct code snippet that declares an anonymous type named **userData** is:

var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };Explanation:

In C#, anonymous types are defined using the **new** keyword along with the object initializer syntax. Anonymous types allow you to create temporary data structures with specific properties without explicitly defining a class.

The syntax shown in the correct option:

var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };

This code creates an anonymous type with properties **name** and **age**. The **var** keyword is used to let the compiler infer the type of the anonymous type. The compiler generates a type with read-only properties based on the properties you provide in the object initializer.

What does this do in C#?var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };

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In C#, the code **var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };** creates an **anonymous type** named **userData** with two properties: **name** and **age**.

Here's what each part of the code does:

* **var userData**: This declares a variable named **userData** using the **var** keyword. The **var** keyword allows the compiler to infer the type of the variable based on the right-hand side of the assignment.
* **new { name = "John", age = 32 }**: This part creates an **anonymous type** instance. An anonymous type is a type generated by the compiler at compile time. It's a lightweight way to create objects with specific properties without explicitly defining a class. In this case, the anonymous type has two properties: **name** and **age**, each assigned a specific value.

So, after this line of code executes, the variable **userData** will hold an instance of an anonymous type with properties **name** and **age**:

var userData = new { name = "John", age = 32 };

You can access the properties of the **userData** object using dot notation, like **userData.name** and **userData.age**. The anonymous type's properties are read-only, meaning you can't modify them after the instance is created.

1. **What will be returned when this method is executed?**  
   public void userInput(string charParamters) { }
   * **nothing**
   * a Boolean
   * a string variable
   * an integer

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The provided method **public void userInput(string charParamters) { }** does not contain any explicit return statement. In C#, when a method has a return type of **void** and does not include a **return** statement, it means that the method does not return any value.

So, the correct answer is:

**nothing**

1. **In what order would the employee names in this example be printed to the console?**

string[] employees = { "Joe", "Bob", "Carol", "Alice", "Will" };

IEnumerable<string> employeeQuery = from person in employees

orderby person

select person;

foreach(string employee in employeeQuery)

{

Console.WriteLine(employee);

}

* + **ascending**
  + unordered
  + descending
  + first in, first out

first in, first out

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The employee names in the example would be printed to the console in **ascending order**.

Explanation:

In the provided code snippet, the LINQ query uses the **orderby** clause to sort the **employees** array in ascending order based on the values of the **person** variable. The query then selects each sorted name and iterates through the **employeeQuery** to print them using the **foreach** loop.

Here's the code snippet for reference:

string[] employees = { "Joe", "Bob", "Carol", "Alice", "Will" };

IEnumerable<string> employeeQuery = from person in employees

orderby person

select person;

foreach(string employee in employeeQuery)

{

Console.WriteLine(employee);

}

As a result, the employee names will be printed in ascending alphabetical order:

Alice

Bob

Carol

Joe

Will

So, the correct answer is:

**ascending**

1. **Lambda expressions are often used in tandem with which of the following?**
   * Namespaces
   * **LINQ**
   * Type Aliasing
   * Assemblies

Assemblies

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Lambda expressions are often used in tandem with **LINQ (Language Integrated Query)**.

Explanation:

Lambda expressions are a feature in C# that provide a concise way to write anonymous methods. They are particularly useful when working with LINQ, which is a powerful feature for querying collections and other data sources in a more readable and expressive manner.

LINQ queries often involve specifying filtering, sorting, grouping, and projecting operations on collections of data. Lambda expressions are commonly used as predicates, projections, or ordering functions within LINQ queries to define the desired operations. They allow you to specify complex operations directly within the LINQ query syntax.

For example, a LINQ query that filters a collection based on a certain condition might use a lambda expression as the filtering predicate:

var filteredNames = names.Where(name => name.Length > 5);

In this code, the lambda expression **name => name.Length > 5** serves as the filtering criteria within the LINQ **Where** method.

So, among the given options, **Lambda expressions are often used in tandem with LINQ**. While lambda expressions can also be used in other contexts like defining delegates or event handlers, their integration with LINQ is one of the most common and powerful use cases.

1. **What is the correct formatting for single line and multiline comments?**
   * /*/ - Single Line  
     /* - Multiline
   * // Multiline  
     /\_ Single Line \_/
   * //\* Multiline  
     / Single Line
   * **// Single Line  
     /\* Multiline \*/**
2. **How do you make a method in an abstract class overridable?**
   * Make it public
   * Make it static
   * Make it private
   * **Make it virtual**

Make it virtual

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To make a method in an abstract class overridable in C#, you need to make it **virtual**.

Explanation:

An abstract class is a class that cannot be instantiated on its own and is meant to be subclassed by other classes. Abstract classes can include abstract methods, which are methods without an implementation in the abstract class itself. Subclasses of an abstract class are required to provide concrete implementations for these abstract methods.

To make a method in an abstract class overridable (meaning that it can be overridden in subclasses), you need to mark it as **virtual**. The **virtual** keyword indicates that a method is a candidate for being overridden in derived classes. Here's how you do it:

public abstract class MyBaseClass

{

public virtual void MyMethod()

{

// Default implementation or empty method

}

}In the above example, the **MyMethod** is marked as **virtual**, which means that subclasses can provide their own implementations by using the **override** keyword:

public class MyDerivedClass : MyBaseClass

{

public override void MyMethod()

{

// Custom implementation for the derived class

}

}So, to make a method in an abstract class overridable, you should **make it virtual**. The other options (**public**, **static**, and **private**) do not make a method overridable.

1. **How would you write code for an integer property called Age with a getter and setter?**
   * public int Age { get - set }
   * public int Age: get set;
   * public int Age (get, set );
   * **public int Age { get; set; }**

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The correct way to write code for an integer property called Age with a getter and setter in C# is:

public int Age { get; set; }

Explanation:

In C#, you can use the **{ get; set; }** syntax to define an auto-implemented property with both a getter and a setter. This syntax automatically generates a private backing field to store the value of the property.

Here's how the property declaration works:

* **public**: This specifies the access level of the property, allowing it to be accessed from outside the class.
* **int**: This specifies the data type of the property, which is **int** in this case.
* **Age**: This is the name of the property.
* **{ get; set; }**: This is the auto-implemented property syntax. The **get** keyword indicates the getter, and the **set** keyword indicates the setter. The **get** returns the property's value, and the **set** sets the property's value.

So, the correct answer is:

**public int Age { get; set; }**

1. **What is an abstract class?**
   * a class that is denoted by the class keyword (can be seen and used by any other class in the system–thus it is by default public)
   * something denoted by the abstract keyword and used system wide; if you want any program to create an object of a class you use the abstract class
   * a class that is denoted by the virtual keyword
   * **a class that can be used only as base class**

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An abstract class is:

**a class that can be used only as a base class**

Explanation:

An abstract class in C# is a class that cannot be instantiated on its own. Instead, it is meant to serve as a base or parent class for other classes. Abstract classes are declared using the **abstract** keyword. They can have abstract methods (methods without implementation) that must be overridden by derived (child) classes.

Abstract classes cannot be directly instantiated because they may contain incomplete or abstract methods that require concrete implementations in derived classes. Abstract classes provide a way to define common properties, fields, and methods that are shared among multiple derived classes while allowing each derived class to provide its own implementation for the abstract methods.

The other options provided do not accurately describe an abstract class:

* **a class that is denoted by the class keyword (can be seen and used by any other class in the system–thus it is by default public)**: This is a general description of a class in C#, not specifically an abstract class. A class declared with the **class** keyword is a regular class, which can be instantiated and used directly.
* **something denoted by the abstract keyword and used system wide; if you want any program to create an object of a class you use the abstract class**: This description is not accurate. Abstract classes cannot be instantiated directly, and they are not used to create objects. They are used as base classes for inheritance.
* **a class that is denoted by the virtual keyword**: The **virtual** keyword is used to mark methods that can be overridden in derived classes, but it doesn't define an abstract class itself.

1. **When using a thread pool what happens to a given thread after it finishes its task?**
   * The thread is destroyed and memory is freed up.
   * The thread runs in loop until the next assignment.
   * **The thread goes inactive in the background and waits for garbage collection.**
   * **The thread returns to the pool for reuse.**

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When using a thread pool, what happens to a given thread after it finishes its task is:

**The thread returns to the pool for reuse.**

Explanation:

A thread pool is a mechanism that manages a pool of worker threads and allows you to efficiently reuse threads for handling multiple tasks over time. When a thread in the thread pool completes its assigned task, it does not get destroyed or go inactive indefinitely. Instead, it returns to the thread pool for potential reuse in executing other tasks.

Thread pools help reduce the overhead of creating and destroying threads for each individual task, which can be resource-intensive. By reusing threads, thread pool implementations aim to improve performance and reduce the overhead associated with thread creation and management.

The other options do not accurately describe the behavior of threads in a thread pool:

* **The thread is destroyed and memory is freed up.**: This is not the case in a thread pool. Threads are typically kept alive in the pool to be reused.
* **The thread runs in a loop until the next assignment.**: Thread pool threads are not kept in a loop; they are assigned tasks from the thread pool's task queue and return to the pool after completing their tasks.
* **The thread goes inactive in the background and waits for garbage collection.**: While thread pool threads can go inactive after completing tasks, they do not wait for garbage collection. They return to the pool for reuse rather than waiting to be collected by the garbage collector.

1. **Which choice represents a class that inherits behavior from a base class?**
   * a second base class
   * a revised class
   * **a derived class**
   * a parent class

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The choice that represents a class that inherits behavior from a base class is:

* A derived class

A derived class is a class that inherits properties and behaviors from a base (or parent) class. It extends or specializes the functionality of the base class while inheriting its characteristics.

1. **What does operator overloading allow you to do?**
   * hide built-in operatores when necessary
   * add methods to be interpreted by the compiler at runtime
   * define how enums and other primitive value types work within the rest of the application
   * **define custom functionality for common operators like addition and equality**

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Operator overloading primarily allows you to define custom functionality for common operators, such as addition, subtraction, equality, etc., for your user-defined classes or types. Among the options you've listed, the correct one related to operator overloading is:

* Define custom functionality for common operators like addition and equality.

The other options have different meanings:

* Hiding built-in operators when necessary isn't a typical use case for operator overloading. Operator overloading is about providing custom behavior for operators, not hiding built-in ones.
* Adding methods to be interpreted by the compiler at runtime is not directly related to operator overloading. Operator overloading is about defining how operators work with your custom types, not adding methods for runtime interpretation.
* Defining how enums and other primitive value types work within the rest of the application doesn't involve operator overloading. Enums and primitive types have predefined behavior for operators, and you can't directly overload operators for them.

1. **What it the main purpose of LINQ?**
   * to delete duplicate data
   * to bind namespaces and assemblies
   * **to query and transform data**
   * to connect assemblies

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The main purpose of LINQ (Language Integrated Query) is:

* To query and transform data.

LINQ provides a unified and intuitive way to query and manipulate data from various data sources, such as databases, collections, XML, and more, using a consistent query syntax. It allows developers to write queries directly in their programming language (e.g., C#) instead of using separate query languages for different data sources. This makes it easier to work with and manipulate data in a more declarative and readable manner.

1. **What is the correct syntax for a new generic list of strings named contacts?**
   * public List contacts = new List();
   * public List(string names) contacts = new List(string names)();
   * **var contacts = new List();**
   * var contacts = new List(string);

var contacts = new List(string);

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The correct syntax for creating a new generic list of strings named "contacts" in C# is:

var contacts = new List<string>();

This syntax initializes a new instance of the **List<string>** class, which is a generic list specifically designed to hold elements of type **string**. The type parameter within the angle brackets specifies the type of elements the list will contain.

1. **What is the difference between throw exceptions and throw clauses?**
   * Throw clauses fire only at runtime, while throw exceptions can fire at any time.
   * **Throw exceptions overwrite the stack trace, while throw clauses retain the stack information.**
   * **Throw clauses overwrite the stack trace, while throw exceptions retain the stack information.**
   * Throw exceptions fire only at runtime, while throw clauses can fire during compile time.

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The statement "Throw clauses overwrite the stack trace, while throw exceptions retain the stack information" accurately represents the difference between throw exceptions and throw clauses.

* Throw exceptions: This term seems to be a mix-up or misinterpretation. The correct term is simply "throw exceptions." When you throw an exception in a programming language like C#, you're raising an exception during runtime to signal that an exceptional condition has occurred in your code.
* Throw clauses: This refers to the use of the **throw** keyword followed by an exception object. When you throw an exception using a throw clause, you're creating and throwing a specific exception object, which can include additional information about the error.

The statement you provided is accurate:

"Throw clauses overwrite the stack trace, while throw exceptions retain the stack information."

When an exception is thrown using a throw clause, the stack trace is preserved, which is crucial for debugging and identifying the location in the code where the exception occurred. The stack trace provides information about the sequence of method calls that led to the exception.

On the other hand, if you "throw" an exception without using a specific exception object (e.g., **throw;**), it will re-throw the currently active exception, and in this case, the stack trace is not altered. The original exception's stack trace is preserved.

Keep in mind that "throw exceptions" is not a commonly used term in programming; it's more appropriate to talk about throwing exceptions or using throw clauses.

1. **When an asynchronous method is executed, the code runs but nothing happens other than a compiler warning. What is most likely causing the method to not return anything?**
   * The return yield statement is missing at the end of the method.
   * **The method is missing an await keyword in its body.**
   * The wait keyword is missing from the end of the method.
   * The yield keyword is missing from the method.

The yield keyword is missing from the method.

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The option that is most likely causing the asynchronous method to not return anything is:

* The method is missing an await keyword in its body.

In an asynchronous method, when you perform an asynchronous operation (e.g., using an async I/O call, a Task, or an async API), you should use the **await** keyword to asynchronously wait for the result of that operation. If you don't use **await** within the asynchronous method, the execution might proceed without waiting for the asynchronous operation to complete, leading to unexpected behavior, and the method might return prematurely or not behave as expected.

Here's an example of a correct usage of **await** in an asynchronous method:

async Task SomeAsyncMethod()

{

// Await an asynchronous operation

var result = await SomeAsyncOperation();

// Process the result or continue with other asynchronous operations

}

Missing the **await** keyword where it's required is a common mistake that can result in code that compiles and runs, but doesn't behave as intended.

1. **What are C# events?**
   * system actions that communicate directly with the compiler at runtime
   * actions that execute when the code compiles, generating logs and test output
   * **actions that generate notifications, which are sent to their registered listeners\*\* <= Correct**
   * user-only methods that send data to the application’s back end

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You are correct. C# events are:

* Actions that generate notifications, which are sent to their registered listeners.

C# events are a way to implement the observer design pattern. They allow one object (the event source) to notify other objects (event listeners or subscribers) when a specific action or change occurs. Event listeners subscribe to events and are notified when the event source triggers the event. This mechanism is widely used to create loosely coupled and responsive architectures in C# applications.

1. **What kind of values can arrays store?**
   * unordered collections of numerc values
   * key-value pairs of any C# supported type
   * class and struct instances
   * **multiple variables, or collections, of the same type**

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Arrays in C# can store:

* Multiple variables or collections of the same type.

Arrays are used to store a collection of elements of the same data type in a contiguous memory block. Each element in the array can be accessed using an index. Arrays are commonly used to store ordered collections of values, such as integers, strings, and other types. The elements within an array are typically accessed by their index position, and arrays provide a way to efficiently work with groups of related values.