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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 descriptors.

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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).

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.

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Question	Answer	Marks		
	Section A			
1(a)(i)	Many correct answers, they must be meaningful. The following is an example only:			
	One mark per bullet point			
	 Data structure Array Name processor Data type string Use to store processors currently available 			
1(a)(ii)	One mark per bullet point Data structure given (1) Data type (1) Sample data (1) More than one data structure described (1) Many correct answers, they must be meaningful. The following is an example only:	4		
1(b)	e.g. Three arrays containing string data with name, address and phone number – John Smith, Cambridge, 0 One mark for method, one mark for an extension or reason. Many correct answers, an example is given. Use a previously stored number//generates/uses an initial value (1) Update it (by 1) every time an estimate is made (1)	2		

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Question	Answer				
1(c)	Any five from: Initialise (stock level) flag Check stock level for the chosen processor type Only check RAM if processor available // Only check processor if RAM available Check stock level for the chosen type of RAM Finish process if problem with (RAM/Processor) stock levels Identify out of stock (processor/RAM)//Set flag to appropriate value Identify stock level OK//Set flag to appropriate value	5			

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Question	Answer				
1(c)	Sample answer:				
	foundProc ← FALSE				
	count ← 1				
	WHILE NOT foundProc AND count <= 3 DO				
	<pre>IF processor(estNo) = proc(count) AND stProc(count) > 0</pre>				
	THEN				
	foundProc ← TRUE				
	ENDIF				
	count ← count + 1				
	ENDWHILE				
	IF foundProc				
	THEN				
	foundRAM ← FALSE				
	IF RAM(estNO) = RAM1 AND stRAM1 >0				
	THEN				
	foundRAM TRUE				
	stRAM1 ← stRAM1 - 1				
	ENDIF				
	IF RAM(estNO) = RAM2 AND stRAM2 >0				
	THEN				
	foundRAM ← TRUE				
	stRAM2 ← stRAM2 - 1				
	ENDIF				
	ENDIF IF NOT foundProc				
	THEN				
	OUTPUT "Processor out of stock"				
	ELSE				
	stProc(count) stProc(count) - 1				
	ENDIF				
	IF NOT foundRAM	1			
	THEN				
	OUTPUT "RAM out of stock"	1			
	ENDIF				
		1			

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Question	Answer					
1(d)	One mark for each correct point (max 5):	5				
	Explanation 1 How the number of <u>orders</u> was calculated 2 Deal with the case where the estimate has not been turned into an order 3 Calculating the total number of each component sold 4 Details of method actually used to calculate numbers of components 5 How the total value of all the <u>orders</u> was calculated 6 Display summary 7 Display complete summary of number of orders, total number of components and total value of orders Programming statements can be used but must be explained to gain credit.					

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Question	Answer	Marks
	Section B	
2(a)	Any six from: 1 Initialisation of counters for positive numbers and zeros 2 Appropriate loop for 1000 iterations 3 Input number inside loop 4 Test for positive numbers 5 Update positive number counter 6 Test for zeros 7 Update zero counter 8 Output counters with appropriate messages outside loop zero - 0 posCount - 0 FOR count - 1 TO 1000 INPUT number IF number > 0 THEN posCount - posCount + 1 ENDIF IF number = 0 THEN zero - zero + 1 ENDIF NEXT OUTPUT posCount, " positive numbers" OUTPUT zero, " zeros"	6
2(b)	Reduce the number of iterations to a manageable amount // Simulate the input (e.g. random generation)	1

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Question						Answe	r				Marks
3(a)	Digit(1)	Digit(2)	Digit(3)	Digit(4)	Digit(5)	Digit(6)	Digit(7)	Digit(8)	Sum	OUTPUT	
	5	7	0	1	2	3	4	6	44	GTIN-8	
										57012346	
	Digit(1)	Digit(2)	Digit(3)	Digit(4)	Digit(5)	Digit(6)	Digit(7)	Digit(8)	Sum	OUTPUT	
	4	3	1	0	2	3	1	0	30	GTIN-8	
										43102310	
3(b)	2 Check that 3 if equal	rst loop to	tDigit(8 neck digit o	is equal correct	to the cald	culated Di	git(8)				
	1 Change fi 2 Put all 8 c 3 if MOD(-	gh the alg is equal to	orithm to co	calculate Steck digit co						

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Question	Answer	Marks
4	One mark for each (max three) 10.00 boundary/erroneous data // the price should be rejected // value is out of range 9.99 boundary/extreme/normal data // the prices should be accepted // value is within normal range erroneous/abnormal data // input should be rejected // value is wrong type	3

Question	Answer	Marks
5	There are many possible answers. e.g.:	4
	Totalling is used to sum a list of numbers (1) Counting is used to find how many numbers/items there are in a list. (1) Totalling example (1) e.g. Total = Total + Number Counting example (1) e.g. Counter = Counter + 1	

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)	Fields 5 Records 8	2
6(b)	Any two from: Length check Type check Presence check Format check	2

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Marks	Answer								
	Title	Date	Sold Out	Туре	Field:	6(c)			
	PERFORMANCE	PERFORMANCE	PERFORMANCE	PERFORMANCE	Table:				
					Sort:				
	Ø	✓			Show:				
			False	Like "Jazz"	Criteria:				
					or:				
_			False	Like "Jazz" er correct column.	or:				

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