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#### **General Marking Guidance**

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

## Mark Scheme - Theory

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (a)	A1	<b>C</b> (equals) (1)		(1)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (b)	B1	Award one mark for any of:	Ignore capitalisation	
		<ul> <li>TRUE and FALSE (1)</li> <li>Yes and No (1)</li> <li>T and F (1)</li> </ul>		
		• 0 and 1 (1)		(1)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (d)	D1	Award one mark for any of:		
		<ul> <li>(Symbolic name associated with) a value that may be changed (1)</li> <li>A container used to store data (1)</li> <li>A data store whose contents can change whilst a program is executing (1)</li> </ul>		(1)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (e) (i)	E1	Python 6		
		C# 12		
		Java 8		(1)
1 (e) (ii)	E2	Python 3		
		C# 7		
		Java 3		(1)
1 (e) (iii)	E3	Award one mark for any of:	Accept listNumbers or	
			numArray	
		• amount (1)		
		• x(1)		
		• total (1)		
		• count (1)		(1)
1 (e) (iv)	E4	message		(1)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3 (a)	A1	Award one mark for any of:	Accept alternative wording	
		<ul> <li>Conversion of plain text into cipher (1)</li> <li>Converting information/data into a code (1)</li> </ul>		
		Converting information/data into an unreadable format (1)		(1)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3 (b)	B1	Award one mark for any of:	Accept alternative similar wording.	
		<ul> <li>To ensure that the data can only be read by an authorised person / can't be read by an</li> </ul>	Do not accept hacking.	
		unauthorised person. (1)		(1)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3 (c) (i)	C1 C2 C3 C4	Award 4 marks for a correct response:  • CAL   OTTA   MUIN   PO • PO   MUIN   OTTA   CAL  Award 1 mark each up to a maximum of 3 for:		
		<ul> <li>4 lines of text (1)</li> <li>Zigzag arrangement of letters         <ul> <li>(1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Letters from each line         reproduced / consistent use of         the key 4: GSQTYXEXMSREP/         YKILQPWPEKJWH (1)</li> </ul>		(4)

Question	mp	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
3 (c) (ii)	C5 C6	Award 2 marks for a linked explanation such as:		
		Limited number of usable keys     (1) to allow for sufficient     movement of characters / so		
		can easily be decoded by trial		(2)

	and error / easy to use brute	
	force to crack (1)	

mp	ref	Answer		Additional Guidance	Mark
A1 A2 A3 A4	2.1.4	validation test (up to 2) suitable example of erro	and 1 mark for oneous data		
		First 3 characters are upper case letters	Fff1234560		
		Characters 4 to 9 are non-zero numbers	FFF1011110		
		Consists of only 10 characters	FFF111111ee		
		Final character correct for sum of numbers	FFF1122330		(4)
	A1 A2 A3	A1 2.1.4 A2 A3	A1 A2 A3 A4 Award 1 mark for each a validation test (up to 2) a suitable example of error that matches the test e.  First 3 characters are upper case letters Characters 4 to 9 are non-zero numbers Consists of only 10 characters Final character correct for sum of	A1 A2 A3 A4 Award 1 mark for each appropriate validation test (up to 2) and 1 mark for suitable example of erroneous data that matches the test e.g.  First 3 characters are upper case letters Characters 4 to 9 are non-zero numbers Consists of only 10 characters Final character for sum of FFF1122330	A1 A2 A3 A4 Award 1 mark for each appropriate validation test (up to 2) and 1 mark for suitable example of erroneous data that matches the test e.g.  First 3 characters are upper case letters Characters 4 to 9 are non-zero numbers Consists of only 10 characters Final character correct for sum of  Guidance  Guidance  Guidance  FFF1234560  FFF11234560  FFF1011110  FFF111111ee  FFF111111ee  FFF1122330

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
5 (b) (i)	B1 B2	1.1.9	Award 1 mark each for any of:	Accept disadvantages of a	
			<ul> <li>Simple implementation (1)</li> <li>Can be used for sorted or unsorted lists (1)</li> <li>If the target is at the beginning of the data structure the search will be faster than a binary</li> </ul>	binary compared with a linear search.	
	<b>D</b> 2	440	search		(2)
5 (b) (ii)	B3 B4	1.1.9	Award 1 mark each for any of:	Accept advantages of a binary	
			<ul> <li>May need to compare with all items in list before search complete (1)</li> <li>May need longer time for</li> </ul>	compared with a linear search.	
			searching a large list (1)		(2)

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional	Mark
				Guidance	
5 (c) (i)	C1 C2	2.6.2	Award 1 mark each up to a maximum of 2 for:		
			<ul> <li>Both can use arguments / parameter passing (1)</li> <li>Both can use local variables (1)</li> <li>Both can be called from anywhere within the program (1)</li> <li>Code can be reused without being rewritten (1)</li> <li>Both can be library files (1)</li> <li>The code can be independently tested for both (1)</li> </ul>		(2)
5 (c) (ii)	C3 C4	2.6.2	<ul> <li>Award two marks for a linked explanation such as:</li> <li>A function must always return a result (1) whereas a procedure does not (1)</li> <li>A function interface must have a data type (1) to signify the type of data that will be returned / a procedure does not need this (1)</li> <li>The result of a function must always be used (either assigned to a variable or as part of a condition) (1) whereas a procedure does not explicitly return a result to be used (1)</li> <li>A function produces</li> </ul>		
			information (1) whereas a procedure performs a task (1)		(2)

### Mark Scheme - Java Coding

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
1 (c)	C1	2.1.5	Delete space in variable name (1)		
	C2	2.1.5	Capitalise O in variable name (1)		
	C3	2.1.5	Correction to print statement (1)		(3)
Code exam	ple				
Java			int numOne = 25; int numTwo = 36; int numThree = numOne System.out.println		

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2 (a)	A1	2.3.4	Set variable base to 50 or heightChk to true	Logic of algorithm must be followed as set	
	A2	2.2.2	Create WHILE DO loop	out.	
	A3	2.4.1	Request input of height	Alternatives must address each point.	
	A4	2.2.2	if statement checks if height >= 1 or <= 100	Do not penalise candidates who attempt	
	A5	2.2.2	if statement checks if height is >= 1 and <=100	more than the stated requirements.	
	A6	2.2.2	heightCheck set to false if condition is met	Don't penalise spelling mistakes and	
	A7	2.5.1	Set area using given formula (0.5 x base x height)	alternative wording of the output.	
	A8	2.4.1	Display one of base, height and area with appropriate label		
			or displays two of base, height and area without labels		
	A9	2.4.1	Display all of base, height and area with appropriate labels		
	A10	1.1.6	Executing and producing correct output		(10)

```
Code example
lava
                             import java.util.Scanner;
                         2
                         3 public class q02a
                         4 □ {
                                 public static void main(String[] args)
                         5
                         6
                         7
                                     // Initialise variables
                                     int base = 50:
                         9
                                     int height = 0;
                        10
                        11
                                 // Display prompt and take input from user
                                     Boolean heightChk= true;
                        12
                        13
                                     Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
                                     while (heightChk)
                        14
                        15 白
                        16
                                         System.out.print("Enter height of triangle : ");
                        17
                                         height = Integer.parseInt(input.next());
                                         if (height >= 1 && height <= 100)
                        18
                        19 白
                        20
                                             heightChk = false;
                        21
                        22
                        23
                        24
                                 // Calculate and print out values
                        25
                        26
                                     double area = 0.5 * base * height;
                        27
                                     System.out.println("The length of the triangle is : " + base);
                        28
                        29
                                     System.out.println("Height of the triangle is : " + height);
                                     System.out.println("Area of the triangle is : " + area);
                        30
                        31
                        32
```

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
2 (b)	B1	2.2.1	Meaningful variable names used (1)	The code example shown is one way of	
	B2	2.4.1	Meaningful prompts for input (1)	responding to the task. Other methods	
	В3	2.4.1	Input of length and width as whole numbers (1)	should be credited accordingly.	
	B4	2.5.1	Perimeter calculated (= 2 x length + 2 x width) (1)		
	B5	2.5.1	Gap deducted from perimeter (1)		
	В6	2.4.1	Meaningful output (1)		
	В7	2.1.1	Code is fit for purpose. Must have mark points 1-6 and be		
			easy to read (1)		(7)

Java

```
import java.util.Scanner;
     public class q02b
   □ {
         public static void main(String[] args)
 6 🖨
             // Set initial values of variables
 8
         Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
 9
             int length;
10
             int width;
11
         // Request input
12
13
14
             System.out.print("Enter the length: ");
15
             length = Integer.parseInt(input.next());
             System.out.print("Enter the width: ");
16
             width = Integer.parseInt(input.next());
17
18
19
         // Calculate number of panels
20
21
             double panels = length * 2 + width * 2 - 4;
22
23
             // Print out number of panels needed
24
25
             System.out.print("Number of panels required = " + panels);
26
27
```

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4 (a)	A1	2.5.2	english < 40, maths < 50 (1)		
	A2	2.5.3	Use of <b>and</b> operator in IF (1)		
	A3	2.5.2	english < 40, maths < 50 (1)		
	A4	2.5.3	Use of <b>or</b> operator in 'else if 1' (1)		
	A5	2.5.2	english >= 80 AND maths >=85 (1)		
	A6	2.5.3	Correct completion of final else with messageIndex = 3 (1)		(6)

Java

```
System.out.print(firstName + " " + lastName + ": ");
41
                if (english < 40 && maths < 50) //student failed both
42
43
44
                    messageIndex = 0;
45
46
                else if (english < 40 || maths < 50) // student failed
47
48
49
                    messageIndex = 1;
50
51
52
                else if (english >= 80 && maths >= 85) // student pass
53
54
                    messageIndex = 2;
55
56
57
                else
58
59
                    messageIndex = 3; // student passed both tests
60
```

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
4 (b)	B1	2.2.2	Loop checks each pupil for low attendance		
	B2	2.1.6	Display of name of low attendances		
	В3	2.3.1	Counter for high attenders initialised		
	В4	2.2.2	Loop uses correct comparison (>=)		
	B5	2.6.2	Number of high attenders displayed correctly		
	В6	2.6.3	Subprogram for option 1 called correctly		
	В7	2.6.3	Subprogram for option 2 called correctly		(7)

```
lava
         // write subprogram for option 1 here
                                                                            Faroukh Salah
         private static void lowAttenders(String [][] myArray)
                                                                            Amara Grzinski
                                                                            Taz Grimstow
             for (String[] student : myArray)
                                                                            Sadia Bhatti
                                                                            Fernado Askabat
                 int x = Integer.parseInt(student[2]);
                                                                            Siyao Wang
                 if (x < 75)
                         System.out.println(student[0] + " " + student[1]);
         // write subprogram for option 2 here
         private static int highAttenders(String [][] myArray)
             int count = 0;
             for (String[] student : myArray)
                 int x = Integer.parseInt(student[2]);
                 if (x >= 90)
                         count++;
             return count;
```

```
64
         if (option == 1)
65
66
                     // complete the if statement
                 lowAttenders (pupilAttendance);
67
68
69
70
         else if (option == 2)
71
72
             // complete the else if statement
73
                 int highAtt = highAttenders(pupilAttendance);
74
                 System.out.println("Number of high attenders = " + highAtt);
75
                        There were 7 high attenders
```

For Q6, the first 11 marks are for coding that matches requirements of task. The remaining 9 marks should be allocated on a best fit.

Question	mp	ref	Answer	Additional Guidance	Mark
6	A1	2.2.1	Initialise variable for total sales by member of staff (1)	Sales for each member of staff	
	A2	2.5.1	Add succeeding months' sales to total sales (1)	George Taylor 28466	
	A3	2.1.6	Display total sales by member of staff (1)	Fehlix Chayne 35250 Sumren Bergen 30186	
	A4	2.2.2	Loop repeats for each member of staff (1)	Sumren Bergen 30186 Samira Beckle 37430	
	A5	2.2.1	Running team total sales initialised (1)	Nellie Bogart 20448	
	A6	2.2.2	Add succeeding individual staff sales to team total (1)	Cheryl Grouth 34383 Danuta Graunt 26421 Jaiden Deckle 21507	
	A7	2.1.6	Display final running total (1)	Jimran Caliks 32415	
	A8	2.1.6	Staff member with highest individual sales identified (1)	Deynar Derran 28590	
	A9	2.1.6	Staff member with second highest individual sales identified (1)	Total staff sales: 295096	
	A10	2.1.6	Information about staff with highest sales displayed (1)	Highest sales by: Samira Beckle with 37430	
	A11	2.1.6	Information about staff with second highest sales displayed (1)	Second highest sales by: Fehlix Chayne with 35250	(11)

Band 1 (1-3 marks)	Band 2 (4-6 marks)	Band 3 (7-9 marks)	Mark
Little attempt to decompose the problem into component parts	Some attempt to decompose the problem into component parts	The problem has been decomposed into component parts	
Some parts of the logic are clear and appropriate to the problem	Most parts of the logic are clear and mostly appropriate to the problem	The logic is clear and appropriate to the problem	
Some appropriate use and manipulation of data types, variables, data structures and program constructs	The use and manipulation of data types, variables and data structures and program constructs is mostly appropriate	The use and manipulation of data types, variables and data structures and program constructs is appropriate	
Parts of the code are clear and readable	Code is mostly clear and readable	Code is clear and readable	
Finished program will not be flexible enough with other data sets or input	Finished program will function with some but not all other data sets or input	Finished program could be used with other data sets or input	
The program meets some of the given requirements	The program meets most of the given requirements	The program fully meets the given requirements	(9)

Java

```
int allStaffTotal = 0;
24
             int highestSales = 0:
             int secondSales = 0;
26
             int high = 0;
27
             int second = 0;
             int staffTotal:
29
             int sales:
             int staffNo = -1;
31
32
             System.out.println("Sales for each member of staff");
33
             for (String [] staff : staffSales)
34
35
                 staffTotal = 0;
36
                 sales = 3:
                 staffNo += 1:
                 while (sales < staff.length)</pre>
39
40
                     staffTotal = staffTotal + Integer.parseInt(staff[sales]);
41
                     sales += 1;
42
43
                 System.out.println(staff[1] + " " + staff[2] + " " + staffTotal);
44
45
                 if (staffTotal > secondSales)
46
47
                     if (staffTotal > highestSales)
48
49
                         secondSales = highestSales;
                         highestSales = staffTotal;
51
                         second = high;
                         high = staffNo;
54
                     else
55
56
                         secondSales = staffTotal;
57
                         second = staffNo;
58
59
                 allStaffTotal = allStaffTotal + staffTotal;
61
                 System.out.println();
63
                 System.out.println("Total staff sales = " + allStaffTotal);
64
                  System.out.println("Highest staff sales by " + staffSales[high][1] + " " + staffSales[high][2] + " with " + highestSales);
65
                 System.out.println("Second staff sales by " + staffSales[second][1] + " " + staffSales[second][2]+ " with " + secondSales);
```