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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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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	1 mark per point:	3
	 (global) 2-D array Jobs with correct identifier (and Integer data type) with 100 elements by 2 elements (global) NumberOfJobs declared as variable (as Integer) 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public static Integer[][] Jobs = new Integer[100][2]; public static Integer NumberOfJobs;</pre>	
	<pre>Python Jobs # global integer, 100 by 2 elements NumberOfJobs # global integer</pre>	
	VB.NET Dim Jobs(99, 1) As Integer Dim NumberOfJobs As Integer	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)	1 mark per point:	3
	 procedure heading (and end where appropriate) and assigns 0 to NumberOfJobs looping through both array element dimensions assigns -1 to all elements 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public static void Initialise(){ for(Integer x = 0; x<100;x++){ for(Integer y = 0; y<2; y++){ Jobs[x][y] = -1; } } NumberOfJobs = 0; } Python def Initialise(): global Jobs global NumberOfJobs for x in range(0, 100): Jobs.append([-1,-1]) NumberOfJobs = 0</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Sub Initialise() For X = 0 To 99 For Y = 0 To 1 Jobs(X, Y) = -1 Next Next NumberOfJobs = 0 End Sub</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(c)	 1 mark per point (Max 5): Function header (and end where appropriate) with two (integer) parameters Checks if array is full if full outputs "Not added" Storing parameters job number and priority to only the next available array position Incrementing NumberOfJobs Outputting "Added" if successful 	5
	<pre>Java public static void AddJob(Integer Description, Integer Priority){ if(NumberOfJobs == 100){ System.out.println("Not added"); }else{ Jobs[NumberOfJobs][0] = Description; Jobs[NumberOfJobs][1] = Priority; NumberOfJobs = NumberOfJobs + 1; System.out.println("Added"); } } Python</pre>	
	<pre>def AddJob(JobNumber, Priority): global NumberOfJobs global Jobs if NumberOfJobs == 100: print("Not added") else: Jobs[NumberOfJobs] = [JobNumber, Priority] print("Added") NumberOfJobs = NumberOfJobs + 1</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Sub AddJob(JobNumber, Priority) If NumberOfJobs = 100 Then Console.WriteLine("Not added") Else Jobs(NumberOfJobs, 0) = JobNumber Jobs(NumberOfJobs, 1) = Priority NumberOfJobs = NumberOfJobs + 1 Console.WriteLine("Added") End If End Sub</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	1 mark per point:	2
	 Calls Initialise() (in the main program) 5 AddJob calls with correct values as parameters in correct order 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public static void main(String args[]){ Initialise(); AddJob(12, 10); AddJob(526, 9); AddJob(33,8); AddJob(12,9); AddJob(78,1); } Python Initialise() AddJob(12,10) AddJob(526,9) AddJob(526,9) AddJob(33,8) AddJob(12,9) AddJob(78,1)</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Sub Main() Initialise() AddJob(12, 10) AddJob(526, 9) AddJob(33, 8) AddJob(12, 9) AddJob(78, 1) End Sub</pre>	

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 Procedure header (and end where appropriate) Outer loop through all 5 elements / number of jobs inner loop through array elements and comparing priority (second index) moving the elements up and inserting correctly Example program code: Python def InsertionSort(): global Jobs global NumberOfJobs for I in range(1, NumberOfJobs): Current1 = Jobs[I][0] Current2 = Jobs[I][1] 	5
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<pre>def InsertionSort(): global Jobs global NumberOfJobs for I in range(1, NumberOfJobs): Current1 = Jobs[I][0] Current2 = Jobs[I][1]</pre>	
<pre>while I > 0 and Jobs[I-1][1] > Current2: Jobs[I][0] = Jobs[I-1][0] Jobs[I][1] = Jobs[I-1][1] I = I - 1 Jobs[I][0] = Current1 Jobs[I][1] = Current2</pre>	
<pre>Java public static void InsertionSort(){ Integer Current1; Integer Current2; Integer Counter; Integer Placed; for(Integer i = 1; i < NumberOfJobs; i++){</pre>	
	<pre>ava public static void InsertionSort(){ Integer Current1; Integer Current2; Integer Counter; Integer Placed; for(Integer i = 1; i < NumberOfJobs; i++){</pre>

Question	Answer	Marks
1(e)	<pre>VB.NET Sub InsertionSort() Dim Tempa As Integer Dim Tempb As Integer Dim Counter As Integer Dim Placed As Boolean For i = 1 To NumberOfJobs - 1 Tempa = Jobs(i, 0) Tempb = Jobs(i, 1) Counter = i Placed = False While (Counter > 0 And Not Placed)</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(f)	 1 mark per point: procedure heading (and end where appropriate) and outputting all job numbers and priorities Outputting the job and priority for each element on the same line, with a line break between each job with 'priority' between job number and priority Example program code: Java public static void PrintArray() { for(Integer x = 0; x < NumberOfJobs; x++) { System.out.println(Jobs[x][0] + " priority " + Jobs[x][1]); } } 	3
	<pre>Python def PrintArray(): global Jobs global NumberOfJobs for X in range(0, NumberOfJobs): print(str(Jobs[X][0]), " priority ", str(Jobs[X][1])) VB.NET Sub PrintArray() For X = 0 To NumberOfJobs - 1 Console.WriteLine(Jobs(X, 0) & " priority " & Jobs(X, 1)) Next End Sub</pre>	
1(g)(i)	 calling both subroutines in the main program in the correct order Example program code: Java <pre>InsertionSort(); PrintArray();</pre> Python <pre>InsertionSort() PrintArray()</pre> VB.NET <pre>InsertionSort() PrintArray()</pre> 	1

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(g)(ii)	1 mark for added 5 times and jobs in order.	1
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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	1 mark per point:	4
	 Class declaration (and end where appropriate) for Character Declaring the 3 private attributes with appropriate data types; Name as string, xCoordinate as integer, yCoordinate as integer Constructor method (and end where appropriate) taking 3 parameters assigning parameters to all 3 attributes 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java class Character{ private String Name; private Integer XCoordinate; private Integer YCoordinate; public Character(String Namep, Integer XCoord, Integer YCoord) { Name = Namep; XCoordinate = XCoord; YCoordinate = YCoord; } }</pre>	
	<pre>Python class Character: #private Name as string #private XCoordinate as integer #private YCoordinate as integer definit(self, Namep, Xcoord, Ycoord): selfName = Namep selfXCoordinate = Xcoord selfYCoordinate = Ycoord</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Class Character Private Name As String Private XCoordinate As Integer Private YCoordinate As Integer Sub New(Namep, Xcoord, Ycoord) Name = Namep XCoordinate = Xcoord YCoordinate = Ycoord End Sub End Class</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)	1 mark per point:	3
	 1 get method header (and end where appropriate) with no parameters returning correct value 2nd and 3rd correct get methods 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public String GetName(){ return Name;} public Integer GetX(){ return XCoordinate;} public Integer GetY(){ return YCoordinate;} Python def GetName(self): return selfName def GetX(self): return selfXCoordinate def GetY(self): return selfYCoordinate</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Function GetName() Return Name End Function Function GetX() Return XCoordinate End Function</pre>	
	Function GetY() Return YCoordinate End Function	

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2(c)	1 mark per point:	2
	 method header (and end where appropriate) taking 2 (integer) parameters adding both parameters to existing x and y coordinate values 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public void ChangePosition(Integer XChange, Integer YChange){ XCoordinate = XCoordinate + XChange; YCoordinate = YCoordinate + YChange; } Python def ChangePosition(self, XChange, YChange): selfXCoordinate = selfXCoordinate + XChange selfYCoordinate = selfYCoordinate + YChange</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Sub changePosition(XChange, YChange) XCoordinate = XCoordinate + XChange YCoordinate = YCoordinate + YChange End Sub</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(d)	<pre>1 mark per point (Max 7): declaration of 1D array, 10 elements of type Character opening text file Characters.txt to read looping until EOF/10 times reading in each 3-set of values from file instantiate a Character with correct parameters read in from file store in next element/append in declared array closing the text file (in appropriate place) Exception handling for opening and reading data from file with appropriate catch and output Example program code: Java public static void main(String[] args){ Character[] Characters = new Character[10]; String TextFile = "Characters.txt"; String Name = ""; Integer Xcoord = 0; Integer Xcoord = 0; Integer Ycoord = 0; Integer Ycoord = 0; Integer Ycoord = 0; Integer A = 0; X < 10; X++){ Name = Reader.readLine(); Xcoord = Integer.parseInt(Reader.readLine()); Ycoord = Integer.parseInt(Reader.readLine()); Ycoord = Integer.parseInt(Reader.readLine()); } Reader.close(); } catch(FileNotFoundException ex){ System.out.println("No file found"); } </pre>	7
	} } Python	
	<pre>Characters = [] TextFile = "Characters.txt" try: File = open(TextFile, 'r') for X in range(0, 10): Name = File.readline().strip() XCoord = File.readline().strip() YCoord = File.readline().strip()</pre>	
	<pre>TempC = Character(Name, int(XCoord), int(YCoord)) Characters.append(TempC) File.close() except: print("File not found")</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(d)	<pre>VB.NET Sub Main() Dim Characters(0 To 9) As Character Dim TextFile As String = "Characters.txt" Try Dim FileReader As New System.IO.StreamReader(TextFile) For X = 0 To 10 Name = FileReader.ReadLine() Xcoord = FileReader.ReadLine() Ycoord = FileReader.ReadLine() Characters(X) = New Character(Name, Xcoord, Ycoord) Next FileReader.Close() Catch ex As Exception Console.WriteLine("File not found") End Try end sub</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(e)	1 mark per point (Max 5):	5
	 Taking name as input converting/checking case e.g. all to lower 	
	Looping through array of characters comparing each character name to input	
	 continuously taking repeat input if not found in array storing the index when found 	
	Accessing the name of character in the array using GetName()	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Python Position = -1 CharacterName = "" while(Position == -1): CharacterInput = input("Enter the Character to move").rstrip('\n').lower() for Count in range(0, 10): Temp = str(Characters[Count].GetName().strip()) if(Temp == CharacterInput): Position = Count</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Dim Position As Integer = -1 Dim CharacterName As String = "" While Position = -1 Console.WriteLine("Enter the Character to move") CharacterName = Console.ReadLine For Count = 0 To 9 If(Characters(Count).GetName).tolower = CharacterName.ToLower Then Position = Count End If Next End While</pre>	

Answer	Marks
<pre>Java Integer Position = -1; String CharacterName = ""; Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in); String Temp = ""; while(Position == -1){ System.out.println("Enter the Character to move"); CharacterName = scanner.nextLine(); for(Integer Count = 0; Count < 10; Count++){ Temp = Characters[Count].GetName(); Temp = Temp.toLowerCase(); if(Temp.equals(CharacterName.toLowerCase())){ Position = Count; } }</pre>	
	<pre>Java Integer Position = -1; String CharacterName = ""; Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in); String Temp = ""; while(Position == -1){ System.out.println("Enter the Character to move"); CharacterName = scanner.nextLine(); for(Integer Count = 0; Count < 10; Count++){ Temp = Characters[Count].GetName(); Temp = Temp.toLowerCase(); if(Temp.equals(CharacterName.toLowerCase())){</pre>

Question **Marks Answer** 7 2(f) 1 mark per point (Max 7): Taking move as input... ...looping until valid Calling ChangePosition() with object If A is input parameters are -1, 0 If D is input **parameters** are 1, 0 If W is input **parameters** are 0, 1 If S is input **parameters** are 0, −1 Example program code: Java Boolean IsValid = false; String Move = ""; while(IsValid != true){ System.out.println("Enter A for left, W for up, S or down or D for right"); Move = scanner.nextLine(); if(Move.toUpperCase().equals("A")){ Characters[Position].ChangePosition(-1,0); IsValid = true; } else if(Move.toUpperCase().equals("W")){ Characters[Position].ChangePosition(0,1); IsValid = true; } else if(Move.toUpperCase().equals("S")){ Characters[Position].ChangePosition(0,-1); IsValid = true; } else if(Move.toUpperCase().equals("D")){ Characters[Position].ChangePosition(1,0); IsValid = true; } } **Python** IsValid = False while(IsValid != True): Move = input("Enter A for left, W for up, S for down, or D for right") if(Move.upper() == "A"): Characters[Position].ChangePosition(-1,0) IsValid = True elif (Move.upper() == "W"): Characters[Position].ChangePosition(0,1) IsValid = True elif (Move.upper() == "S"): Characters[Position].ChangePosition(0,-1) IsValid = True elif(Move.upper() == "D"): Characters[Position].ChangePosition(1,0) IsValid = True

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(f)	<pre>VB.NET Dim IsValid As Boolean = False Dim Move As String While IsValid <> True Console.WriteLine("Enter A for left, W for up, S for down or D for right") Move = Console.ReadLine() If Move.ToUpper = "A" Then Characters(Position).ChangePosition(-1, 0) IsValid = True ElseIf Move.ToUpper = "W" Then Characters(Position).ChangePosition(0, 1) IsValid = True ElseIf Move.ToUpper = "S" Then Characters(Position).ChangePosition(0, -1) IsValid = True ElseIf Move.ToUpper = "D" Then Characters(Position).ChangePosition(1, 0) IsValid = True End If End While</pre>	
2(g)(i)	 1 mark per point: Outputting given message including name, x and y position all using appropriate get methods 	2
	<pre>Example program code: Java System.out.println(CharacterName + " has changed coordinates to X = " + Characters[Position].GetX() + " Y</pre>	
	<pre>Python print(CharacterName, " has changed coordinate to X = ", str(Characters[Position].GetX()), " Y = ", str(Characters[Position].GetY()))</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Console.WriteLine(CharacterName & " has changed coordinates to X = " & Characters(Position).GetX & " Y =</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(g)(ii)	1 mark for correct result, for example:	1
	Enter the character to move THOMAS Enter the character to move qui Enter A for left, W for up, S for down or D for right X Enter A for left, W for up, S for down or D for right A qui has changed coordinates to X = 83 Y = 9	

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	1 mark per point:	3
	 1D array with 100 (Integer) spaces head pointer declared initialised to appropriate value e.g. −1 tail pointer declared initialised to 0 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public Integer[] queue = new Integer[100]; public Integer HeadPointer = -1; public Integer TailPointer = 0;</pre>	
	<pre>Python Queue = [-1 for I in range(100)] #Integer HeadPointer = -1 TailPointer = 0</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Dim Queue(0 To 99) As Integer Dim HeadPointer As Integer = -1 Dim TailPointer As Integer = 0</pre>	

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(b)	 1 mark per point: Function header (and close where appropriate) with integer parameter Checking if queue full and returning false If not full adding parameter to queue at tail pointer incrementing tail pointer (after adding to queue) and returning true 	6
	Changing head pointer to 0 if this is the first element in array Example program code:	
	Java	
	<pre>public Boolean Enqueue(Integer Data){ if(TailPointer < 100){ if(HeadPointer == -1){ HeadPointer = 0; } Queue[TailPointer] = Data; TailPointer = TailPointer + 1; return true; } return false; } Python def Enqueue(Data): global Queue global TailPointer if(TailPointer < 100): if HeadPointer == -1: HeadPointer = 0 Queue[TailPointer] = Data TailPointer = TailPointer + 1 return True return False</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Function Enqueue(Data) If TailPointer < 100 Then If HeadPointer = -1 Then HeadPointer = 0 End If Queue(TailPointer) = data TailPointer = TailPointer + 1 Return True End If Return False End Function</pre>	

Question	Answer	Marks
3(c)	1 mark per point:	4
	 Looping 20 times using Enqueue() with each number 1 to 20 in ascending numerical order and storing/using the return value based on return value, outputting "Successful" and "Unsuccessful" if all numbers are added 	
	Example program code:	
	<pre>Java public static void main(String[] args){ Boolean success = false; for(Integer count = 1; count <= 20; count++){ success = enqueue(count); } if(success == false){ System.Out.Println("Unsuccessful ") else{ System.Out.Println("Successful ") } } Python Success = False for Count in range(1, 21): Success = Enqueue(Count) if(Success == False): print("Unsuccessful") else: print("Successful")</pre>	
	<pre>VB.NET Dim Success As Boolean For Count = 1 To 20 Success = Enqueue(Count)</pre>	
	<pre>Next If Success = False THEN Console.WriteLine("Unsuccessful") ELSE</pre>	
	Console.WriteLine("Successful") ENDIF	

Answer	Marks
<pre>1 mark per point: • function call (and end where appropriate) taking a parameter • checking if at start of queue//20 •returning the last value in the queue • (otherwise) adding return value to a total // adding value in queue before recursive call and using this in the recursive call • recursive call with Start/pointer -1 • returning the final total Example program code: Java public static Integer RecursiveOutput(Integer Start){ if(Start == 0){ return Queue[Start]; }else{ return Queue[Start] + RecursiveOutput(Start -1); }} Python def RecursiveOutput(Start):</pre>	6
<pre>if(Start == 0): return Queue[Start] else: return Queue[Start] + RecursiveOutput(Start - 1) VB.NET Function RecursiveOutput(ByVal Start) If (Start = 0) Then Return Queue(Start) Else Return Queue(Start) + RecursiveOutput(Start - 1) End If</pre>	
<pre>1 mark for calling function and outputting return value. Example program code: Java System.out.println(RecursiveOutput(TailPointer-1)); Python print(str(RecursiveOutput(TailPointer - 1)))</pre>	1
	<pre>1 mark per point: function call (and end where appropriate) taking a parameter checking if at start of queue//20 returning the last value in the queue (otherwise) adding return value to a total // adding value in queue before recursive call and using this in the recursive call recursive call with Start/pointer -1 returning the final total Example program code: Java public static Integer RecursiveOutput(Integer Start){ if(Start == 0){ return Queue[Start]; }else{ return Queue[Start] + RecursiveOutput(Start -1); } Python def RecursiveOutput(Start): if(Start == 0): return Queue[Start] + RecursiveOutput(Start - 1) VB.NET Function RecursiveOutput(ByVal Start) if (Start = 0) Then Return Queue(Start) Else Return Queue(Start) Else Return Queue(Start) if (Start = 0) Then Return Queue(Start) + RecursiveOutput(Start - 1) if (Start = 0) Then if (Start = 0</pre>

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(e)(ii)	1 mark for screenshot showing 210, for example:	1

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