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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.

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					
1(a)(i)	Many correct answers, the name must be meaningful. Must relate to Task 1 1 mark per bullet point					
	e.g.1 Array Data type Purpose BusA integer storing the minutes late					
	e.g.2 Array Day Data type Purpose Purpose					
1(a)(ii)	Many correct answers, the name must be meaningful. Names shown are examples only. 1 mark per bullet point					
	 Task 2 variable name Data type Purpose BusAMinsLate real used in calculation of average minutes late 					
	 Task 3 variable name SearchDay Data type string Purpose to input the day to be searched for 					
1(b)	1 mark for each point: MP1					

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)	Example algorithm	
	CountA \leftarrow 0; CountB \leftarrow 0; CountC \leftarrow 0; CountD \leftarrow 0;	
	CountE \leftarrow 0; CountF \leftarrow 0	
	TotalA \leftarrow 0; TotalB \leftarrow 0; TotalC \leftarrow 0; TotalD \leftarrow 0;	
	TotalE ← 0; TotalF ← 0	
	FOR Days ← 0 to 19	
	IF BusA[Days] < 0 THEN	
	CountA ← CountA + 1	
	TotalA ← TotalA + BusA[Days]	
	ENDIF	
	IF BusB[Days] < 0 THEN	
	CountB ← CountB + 1	
	TotalB ← TotalB + BusBA[Days]	
	ENDIF	
	IF BusC[Days] < 0 THEN	
	CountC ← CountC + 1	
	TotalC ← TotalC + BusC[Days]	
	<pre>ENDIF IF BusD[Days] < 0 THEN</pre>	
	CountD ← CountD + 1	
	TotalD ← TotalD + BusD[Days]	
	ENDIF IF BusE[Days] < 0 THEN	
	CountE ← CountE + 1	
	TotalE ← TotalE + BusE[Days]	
	ENDIF IF BusF[Days] < 0	
	THEN CountF ← CountF + 1	
	TotalF ← TotalF + BusF[Days] ENDIF	
	NEXT	
	PRINT "The number of late days for each bus route are: Bus A "CountA", Bus B "CountB", Bus C "CountC", Bus D ",	
	CountD", Bus E ", CountE", Bus F "CountF	
	PRINT "The average number of minutes late for each route	
	"TotalC/20", Bus D ", TotalD/20", Bus E ", TotalE/20",	
	are: Bus A "TotalA/20", Bus B "TotalB/20", Bus C "TotalC/20", Bus D ", TotalD/20", Bus E ", TotalE/20", Bus F "TotalF/20	

Question	Answer					
1(c)	Explanation of how the candidate's program performed the following:	3				
	Three from:					
	MP1 The input stored as a variable					
	MP2 The method used to find the position of the day in the Day array that matches the input					
	MP3 The array index is stored as a variable					
	MP4 The index variable used as the array index for each bus array MP5and the contents of each array stored/output.					
1(d)	Two from:	2				
, ,	MP1 Add a user input and prompt to enter the number of weeks required to record data on arrival times					
	MP2 Store the user input for number of weeks as a variable					
	MP3 Calculation to change number of weeks to number of days					
	MP4 Replace the upper limit of the loop with a variable					
	MP5 Increase the maximum size of the arrays to accommodate a higher number of weeks					

Question	Answer				
2	Many possible answers, those given are examples only. 1 mark for each correct description and 1 mark for each correct example				
	Char Description: A single character (from the keyboard) Example: A / # / 2				
	String Description: An (ordered) sequence of characters Example: Hello world / #123?Y / 234 78963				
	Boolean Description: A data type with two possible values Example: TRUE / FALSE				

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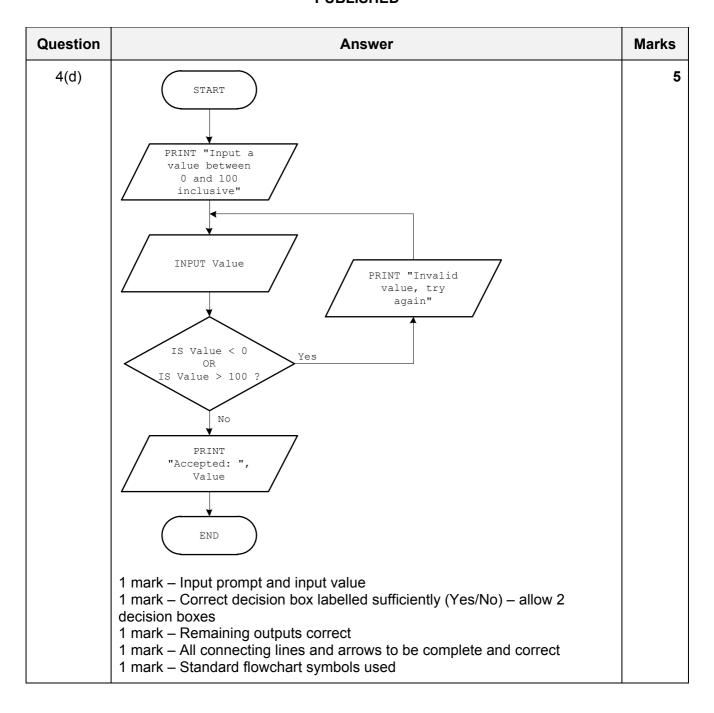
Question	Answer					
3(a)	Many possible answers, those given are examples only. 1 mark per bullet: • IF • Condition and outcome Example answer: IF X < 0 THEN PRINT "Negative" ELSE PRINT "Not negative" ENDIF OR	2				
	<pre>1 mark per bullet:</pre>					
3(b)	 To allow different routes through a program dependent on meeting certain criteria 					

Question	Answer			
4(a)	Range check	1		
4(b)	 The entered number (Value) is being checked to see that it is not < 0 or not > 100 If it is, it is rejected and the user has to enter another number / an error message is displayed Otherwise the number is accepted, the word 'Accepted' is output along with the Value 	2		

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Question		Marks	
4(c)	Value	OUTPUT	3
		Input a value between 0 and 100 inclusive	
	200	Invalid value, try again	
	300	Invalid value, try again	
	-1	Invalid value, try again	
	50	Accepted: 50	
	1 mark - Value colum 1 mark - OUTPUT col 1 mark - OUTPUT col	umn first line	

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Question	Answer						Marks	
5(a)	Each data	Each data value is unique						1
5(b)	10 records	3						1
5(c)	Bev07 Lemonade Bev01 Cola 1 mark for each correct content 1 mark for each correct format 1 mark for correct order						3	
5(d)	Field:	BevNo	BevName	Calories				4
	Table:	BEVERAGES	BEVERAGES	BEVERAGES				
	Sort:		Ascending					
	Show:	$\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$	V					
	Criteria:			>45				
	or:							
	1 mark for correct Field row 1 mark for Table and Sort rows 1 mark for correct Show row 1 mark for correct Criteria rows							

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