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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.

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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1(b)	1 mark per bullet point to max 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Linear) data structure • First in First out // FIFO // An item is added to the end of the queue and an item is removed from the front • All items are kept in the order they are entered • It has a head pointer and a tail pointer • Can be static or dynamic • A queue can be circular ... • ...when the (tail) pointer reaches the last position it returns to the first 	3								

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<p>2(a)(i)</p>	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 95 to left of 97 • 109 to left of 121 • 135 to right of 125 • 149 to right of 135 • Null points in all places and no inappropriate pointers <p>RootPointer</p>	<p>5</p>

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2(c)(i)	<p>1 mark per bullet point to max 3 e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sequence of steps that change the state of the program • The steps are in the order they should be carried out • e.g. procedural programming/language • Groups code into self-contained blocks // split the program into modules • ... which are subroutines // by example 	3																																												

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2(c)(ii)	<p>1 mark per bullet point to max 3</p> <p>e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates classes • ...as a blueprint for an object // objects are instances of classes • ...that have properties/attributes and methods • ... that can be private to the class // properties can only be accessed by the class's methods // encapsulation • Subclasses can inherit from superclasses (child and parent) • A subclass can inherit the methods and properties from the superclass • A subclass can change the methods from the superclass // subclass can use polymorphism • Objects can interact with each other 	3
2(d)(i)	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Method header and close (where appropriate) • ...with InputPlayerID parameter • Initialise Score to 0 • Initialise Category to "Not Qualified" • Initialise PlayerID to parameter <p>PYTHON</p> <pre>def __init__(self, InputPlayerID): self.__Score = 0 self.__Category = "Not Qualified" self.__PlayerID = InputPlayerID</pre> <p>PASCAL</p> <pre>Constructor Player.Create (InputPlayerID); begin Score := 0 ; Category := 'Not Qualified' ; PlayerID := InputPlayerID; end;</pre> <p>VB</p> <pre>Public Sub New (InputPlayerID) Score = 0 Category = "Not Qualified" PlayerID = InputPlayerID End Sub</pre>	5

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2(d)(ii)	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 get Method header without parameter (returning correct data type if given) • ...returning the property • A second working Get • A third working Get <p>PYTHON</p> <pre>def GetScore(): return (Score) def GetCategory(): return (Category) def GetPlayerID(): return (PlayerID)</pre> <p>PASCAL</p> <pre>function GetScore():Integer; begin GetScore:= Score; end; function GetCategory():String; begin GetCategory:= Category; end; function GetPlayerID():String; begin GetPlayerID:= PlayerID; end;</pre> <p>VB</p> <pre>Public Function GetScore() As Integer Return Score End Function Public Function GetCategory() As String Return Category End Function Public Function GetPlayerID() As String Return PlayerID End Function</pre>	4

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2(d)(iii)	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set method header and close (where appropriate) • Input value • Looping until input value is correct length ... • ... storing valid input value in PlayerID <p>PYTHON</p> <pre>def SetPlayerID(self) PlayerID = input("Enter your player ID") while len(PlayerID) > 15 and len(PlayerID) < 4 PlayerID = input("Must be <=15 AND >=4 characters long. Enter your player ID")</pre> <p>PASCAL</p> <pre>Procedure SetPlayerID () WriteLn ('Enter your player ID'); ReadLn(PlayerID); while length(PlayerID) > 15 and length(PlayerID) < 4 do begin WriteLn('Must be <=15 AND >=4 characters long. Enter your player ID'); ReadLn(PlayerID); end;</pre> <p>VB</p> <pre>Public Sub SetPlayerID() Console.WriteLine ("Enter your player ID") PlayerID = Console.ReadLine() While Len(PlayerID) > 15 and Len(PlayerID) < 4 Console.WriteLine ("Must be <=15 AND >=4 characters long. Enter your player ID") PlayerID = Console.ReadLine() End While End Sub</pre>	4

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2(d)(iv)	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Function header and close (where appropriate) and takes <code>ScoreInput</code> as parameter • Check if <code>0 <= ScoreInput <= 150</code> • ...if valid, set <code>Score</code> to parameter • ...if not valid, output error • Returns <code>TRUE</code> if valid and returns <code>FALSE</code> if not valid <p>PYTHON</p> <pre>def __SetScore(ScoreInput): if ScoreInput >=0 and ScoreInput <=150: IsValid = True self__Score = ScoreInput else: print("Error") IsValid = False Return(IsValid)</pre> <p>PASCAL</p> <pre>function Player.SetScore(ScoreInput: Integer) : Boolean; begin If (ScoreInput >=0) AND (ScoreInput <=150) Then IsValid := True; result := ScoreInput; Else WriteLn('Error') result := False; end;</pre> <p>VB</p> <pre>Public Function SetScore(ByVal ScoreInput As Integer) As Boolean If (ScoreInput >=0) And (ScoreInput <=150) Then Return True Score = ScoreInput Else Console.WriteLine("Error") Return False End If End Function</pre>	5

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2(d)(v)	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure header and close (where appropriate) • Accessing Score attribute • Correct selection to assign each category • ... storing in Category attribute <p>PYTHON</p> <pre>def SetCategory() if self.__Score >120: self.__Category = "Advanced" elif self.__Score >80: self.__Category = "Intermediate" elif self.__Score >=50: self.__Category = "Beginner" else: self.__Category = "Not Qualified"</pre> <p>PASCAL</p> <pre>procedure player.SetCategory() begin If Score >120 Then Category := "Advanced"; Else If Score >80 Then Category := "Intermediate"; Else If Score >= 50 Then Category := "Beginner"; Else Category := "Not Qualified"; end;</pre> <p>VB</p> <pre>Public Sub SetCategory() If Score >120 Then Category = "Advanced" ElseIf Score >80 Then Category = "Intermediate" ElseIf Score >=50 Then Category = "Beginner" Else Category = "Not Qualified" End If End Sub</pre>	4

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2(d)(vi)	<p>1 mark per bullet point</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CreatePlayer() header and close (where appropriate) • Input of score and PlayerID with suitable prompts • Create instance of Player named JoannePlayer ... • ...with PlayerID as parameter • Call method SetScore for JoannePlayer with parameter Score • ...storing return value • ...outputting appropriate message for not valid • Call SetCategory for JoannePlayer • Output Category for JoannePlayer ... • ... using GetCategory for object Joanne <p>PYTHON</p> <pre>def CreatePlayer(): InputPlayerID = input("Enter your chosen ID") Score = int(input("Please enter the score")) JoannePlayer = Player(InputPlayerID) if JoannePlayer.SetScore(Score) == false: print("Invalid score") else: JoannePlayer.SetCategory() print(JoannePlayer.GetCategory)</pre> <p>PASCAL</p> <pre>procedure CreatePlayer(); var playerID : String; isValid : boolean; JoannePlayer : Player; score : integer; begin Writeln(Enter Player ID: '); Readln(playerID); Writeln('Enter score: '); Readln(score); JoannePlayer := Player.Create(PlayerID); isValid := JoannePlayer.SetScore(Score); if isValid = true: JoannePlayer.SetCategory(); Writeln(JoannePlayer.GetCategory()); else: Writeln("Invalid score") end;</pre>	8

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3(b)	1 mark per bullet point to max 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (When the recursive call is made) all values/data are put on the stack When the stopping condition/base case is met ...the algorithm unwinds ...the last set of values are taken off the stack (in reverse order) 	3