

# **GCE MARKING SCHEME**

COMPUTING AS/Advanced

**SUMMER 2015** 

#### INTRODUCTION

The marking schemes which follow were those used by WJEC for the Summer 2015 examination in GCE COMPUTING. They were finalised after detailed discussion at examiners' conferences by all the examiners involved in the assessment. The conferences were held shortly after the papers were taken so that reference could be made to the full range of candidates' responses, with photocopied scripts forming the basis of discussion. The aim of the conferences was to ensure that the marking schemes were interpreted and applied in the same way by all examiners.

It is hoped that this information will be of assistance to centres but it is recognised at the same time that, without the benefit of participation in the examiners' conferences, teachers may have different views on certain matters of detail or interpretation.

WJEC regrets that it cannot enter into any discussion or correspondence about these marking schemes.

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### GCE COMPUTING - UNIT CG1 Mark Scheme - June 2015

Qu	Answer	Mark	AO1	AO2
1	A macro is either: a sequence of <b>coded</b> instructions	1	3	
	a series of keystrokes <b>recorded</b>	1		
	That can be executed or run later or assigned to a button/menu or keystroke	1		
	One benefit for using a macro in this case is because: it saves time as quicker to click a button than type these lines of text it is less work/easier to click a button than type these lines of text	•		
2 (a)	Parent contact telephone number - string Gender of the child, M or F - character Number of days each week that the child attends - integer Whether the child has an allergy - boolean	1 1 1		4
2	1 byte	1	2	
(b)	11 bytes	1	2	
2 (c)	Array can store one type of data There are many different data types being stored about one child	1		2
3	Benefits of PC hard disc drive and external hard disc drive:  Very fast access to files regardless of internet connection speed – not just 'fast' alone  No one has access to 'private' files  Cost of external hard disc drive. (Must be justified)  No internet connection required  Drawbacks of PC hard disc drive and external hard disc drive:  Backed up data is NOT protected from natural disaster or theft as in same location as PC hard drive  Benefits a third party storage provider:  Data can be accessed by any device such as desk top PC or mobile tablet  Data is not taking up storage space on physical device  Data can be accessed anywhere in the world  Fast transfer achievable (depending on network speed) for daily uploads  Cost - Can be cheap (or free for limited storage space)  Data is stored securely and safely on protected servers (or should be! with encryption, passwords and firewall etc)  Allows collaborative working/file sharing  Unlimited storage space could be available at a price  Drawbacks of a third party storage provider:  No internet connection then no access  Files could be compromised by hacker or employee  Slow internet connection and upload and download will be frustrating  Maximum file upload size may be limited  Limited storage space unless uses pays a premium  Cloud servers down (service unavailable) then files cannot be accessed  NOTE: A benefit of one could be a drawback of the other so award marks for either but NOT both.	6	6	

Qu			Answer	Mark	AO1	AO2
		the benefits and drawbac	coherent answer fully <b>and</b> accurately ks of each method of storage.			
	3 - 4 marks	Candidates give clear a each method of storage.	nswers describing the benefits <b>or</b> dra	wbacks of		
	1 - 2 marks	Candidates simply state t	penefits or drawbacks of one method of	storage.		
	0 mark	No appropriate response				
4 (a)	to process a		s/synchronise operations orms calculations / logical operations ormation used for a specific purpose	1 1 1	3	
4 (b)	Address bus memory loca	ation)	about where the data are being sent (ac	cept 1	2	
		arries the actual data (to b – Control bus, carries con		1		
5 (a)	Any three from: Database would be easy to and quick to search for a book or member details Easy to back up book or member details in a computerised database It is easy to overwrite / amend / update book or member details in a database Database allows useful reports such as all overdue books or reminder letters to members to be produced Database can automatically alert user about overdue books Database allows different access rights for different library staff				3	
5 (b)	Descrip	r each correct row – maxing tion of field not required in the language in the language is the language in the language is the	f field name is meaningful such as Pu	3 blisher but		3
	Field Name	e Field type	Field description			
	Book code	Integer/String	Primary Key			
	Title	String	Title of the book			
	Author	String	Author of the book			
	Publisher	String	Publisher of the book			
	Edition	String	Edition of the book			
		relate to a book (and but type must follow and b	NOT members or loans) and can be e suitable	e anything		

Qu	Ar	Mark	AO1	AO2	
5 (c)	The check must be described correctly with invalid data would be detected by the check	k described.		2	
	One mark for check correctly named or desone mark for an example of invalid data the		2		
	Suitable checks	Example of invalid data			
	Presence check	Nothing in box			
	Format check to ensure that a data item matches a previously determined pattern; for example, data must match LLDD DLL where L is Letter and D is a digit	AB12 XCD or AB12 34D			
	Length check to ensure that the data entered are of a reasonable length; for example, postcode must be between 7 and 9 characters long	AB1 XCD or AB12 34CDEF			
	NOTE - Example of invalid data must follow Postcode does not have to be any recognis	w check described sed pattern as long as a format is described			
5 (d)	A <b>different</b> check must be described correctly with enough detail so that it is clear that the invalid data would be detected by the check described.  One mark for check correctly named or described.  One mark for an example of invalid data that the check described would detect.			2	
	Outtable absolut	Formula of Smalled data			
	Suitable checks Presence check	Example of invalid data  Nothing in box			
	Format check to ensure that a data item matches a previously determined pattern; example, tel num must match DDDDD DDDDDD where D is a digit		2		
	Length check to ensure that the data enter are of a reasonable length; for example, to num must be between 10 and 13 character long	el ers 123456789 or 12345678912345			
	Type check to ensure that a data item is of particular type; for example, all entries should be digits	Bob or 160J			
	NOTE - Example of invalid data must follow Telephone number does not have to be an described	w check described y recognised pattern as long as a format is			
6 (a)	Data Flow (Diagram) Systems analyst or programmer		1	2	
6 (b)	External Entity		1	1	
6 (c)	A – Electoral register (must be a noun) B – Local authority checks register/establis C - Result of decision (must be a noun) D – Agency (must be a noun)	shes eligibility (must be a verb)	1 1 1	4	

Qu	Answer	Mark	AO1	AO2
7 (a)	Store employee or customer could accidentally damage past orders	1	2	
(4)	Prevent this damage – any one of: Ensure past orders are read only for customers and employees Confirmation of deletion/amendment message	1		
7 (b)	Customer or store employee (if not used in part (a)) could accidentally damage contact details	1	2	
	Prevent this damage – any one of: Confirmation of deletion/amendment message (NOT if used in part(a)) Suitable validation or verification checks on contact details when being entered or amended	1		
7 (c)	Prevent access – Authentication / Firewall	1	2	
(*)	Make the data unusable – encrypt the data	1		
8 (a)	Any 3 from: Data is fairly and lawfully processed Personal data stored for no longer than necessary Personal data shall be adequate, relevant and not excessive Data can only be transferred outside EC to countries with adequate DP legislation Processed in line with your rights Data is processed for limited purposes	3	3	
	NOT Held securely Data must be accurate and up to date			
8 (b)	On receipt of a freedom of information request from a person the hospital must: inform person whether or not it holds the information requested communicate the information requested to the person making that request or refusal of request with valid reason	1	1	
9	(a) set Total = Total + Num	1	ı	4
	(b) set Count = Count + 1	1		7
	(c) input Num (d) set Mean = Total / Count	1		
10	In a sequential file the records are stored in order (usually on primary key field) (1) while in a serial file the records are not stored in any order (1) (or order of arrival). To add to a serial file the new record is appended to the end of the file (1). To add to a sequential file, a new file is made by copying the old file until an insertion is required then inserting the new record (1) and copying the rest of the file (1)	5	7	
	Suitable example of sequential file	1		
	Suitable example of serial file	1		
		'		

Qu			Answer		Mark	AO1	AO2
11						5	
		Y	Z				
		2	TRUE				
		3	TRUE				
		5	TRUE TRUE or FALSE				
		6	FALSE				
	One mark for each corre	ect row.					
			se during the loop and has to the depends at which point in the second second in the second s		5		
	NOTE Deduct one mark	for each co	mpleted additional rows				
12	<ul> <li>Provides user menus</li> <li>Allows custom</li> <li>Allows access</li> <li>Allows copying</li> <li>Allows creation</li> <li>Allows user to (programs/wind)</li> <li>Provides user</li> <li>Provides user</li> <li>The description of detail and gain ext</li> <li>4 - 6 marks</li> <li>Candidate how the dexamples</li> </ul>	nterface with sation of interto system so deleting / deleting / of shortcuts have more thows) with error/wawith context any of the pra marks.  The ses give a clear perating system is simply lise.	n in providing a graphical us h meaningful icons / avoid t erface e.g. change desktop ettings such as hardware moving / sorting / searching s han one window open and t arning/help messages sensitive help from library of oints should be extended w ear, coherent answer fully ar stem provides a user interfa-	ext input / drop-down  colours / layout  g of files or folders  to switch between tasks  or on-line  ith examples and more  and accurately describing ace with relevant	6	6	
		priate respo	onse				
	Example answer worth	hree marks	<ul><li>create shortcut with exter</li></ul>	nsion and example			
	creation of shortcuts. T	ne user can esk top. If y	ovided by the operating syst create a shortcut to a comn you use Google as your sea desktop	nonly used application or			
	Example answer worth	hree marks	- meaningful icons with ext	ension and example			
	applications will have a fox on a globe and IKEA	unique icon, will have th	er interface with meaningful for example Mozilla Firefox eir logo as an icon. This m distinguishable from other ic	has its own which is a akes the web site or			

Qu	Answer	Mark	AO1	AO2
13 (a)	Annotation: price without VAT input by user price without VAT added amount of VAT to pay	1	3	
	Variables are: NetPrice GrossPrice AmountVAT	1		
	Constant = RateVAT	1		
13 (b)	Constants in computer programs do not change very often but when they do it is easier to change them once at the top rather than where they occur in the body of the program.	1	1	
14 (a)	Starting at the beginning of the array SearchValue is <b>compared to every consecutive item</b> in SearchArray (1) until either an item <b>matches</b> (1) SearchValue or the <b>end of the array is reached</b> (1).	3		3
	Alternatively candidate could give an algorithm - accepted not expected i = 1 repeat if SearchValue = SearchArray(i) then item found increment i until (item found) or(end of array)			
	Marking of algorithm Comparison and increment (1) Terminating loop conditions (2x1)			
14 (b)	Array is searched as before but if an element greater than SearchValue is encountered then	1	2	
	the search can terminate (because all other items left in the array are greater than SearchValue)	1		
	OR			
	Alternatively a binary search would be an improved method.	1		
	Binary search (All these points may be shown on a diagram)  • Calculate/determine mid and compare SearchValue to middle element  • If not found, search lower or upper half and repeat until found (or not present)	1		
	Alternatively candidates could give an algorithm – accepted not expected			

Qu	Answer	Mark	A01	AO2
15	Benefits for the programmers  Can receive feedback on the app  Can provide updates as soon as they become available  Can reach potential massive market so app can be sold at cheap price  App is downloaded so no postage or package costs  No physical media required so app can be cheaper (more profit)  Can generate revenue from advertising on free apps  Can target niche market by exploiting global marketplace  Environmental benefits improve green credentials for the company  Can sell directly to customers so no commission to third party app store  Payment is received immediately  Programmer could receive recognition of successful app and be 'head hunted' and find a very good job	6	6	
	Benefits for customers  Can download and use immediately Can download anytime (24/7) Save time and/or money travelling to shop to buy Can read other customer's reviews before buying Can download again if app is lost / corrupted or new device Can access updates as soon as they become available (not twice) Potential massive market so app can be bought at cheap price (not twice) App is downloaded so no postage or package costs (not twice)  4 - 6 marks Candidates give a clear, coherent answer fully and accurately describing benefits for the programmers and for the customers.  1 - 3 marks Candidates simply list benefits for the programmers and for the customers.	₹		

Qu	Answer	Mark	AO1	AO2
16	Study the existing system documentation - This is suitable for investigating current data storage requirements or data flow	13	13	
	Benefits Team can see how current system 'should' be operating Inexpensive method of gathering lots of information fairly quickly Can identify storage requirements			
	Drawbacks Staff may not be following procedures in documentation and may be using system in their own way Documentation may be out of date and not updated to reflect system changes			
	Carry out a questionnaire of staff - This is suitable because the staff might be spread over a wide geographical area and there are many of them.			
	Benefits Relatively cheap to produce for a large number of people Can be distributed worldwide Could be completed on-line so results can be available very quickly			
	Drawbacks Have to be designed by experts or information could be unusable People are 'too busy' and may not complete People may not give correct answers			
	Interview staff - This is suitable when the analysts require a lot of information from a small number of people such as key staff			
	Benefits Can gather large amount of detailed information Can make judgements on validity of information from personal contact or body language Can ask 'follow up' or 'open ended' questions to gather more detailed information in selected areas			
	Drawbacks Time consuming and expensive to carry out Has to be carried out by trained interviewer or closed questions written by experts Difficult to analyse large amount of information Difficult to analyse wide variety of information			
	Observe the current system in practice - This is suitable for gathering information first hand			
	Benefits Can actually see what is really happening and do not have to rely on what people tell you what they think is happening			
	Drawbacks Very time consuming and therefore expensive to carry out Staff may feel like they are being watched and therefore behave differently so do not actually see what goes on every day Cost of sending analysts around the world.			
	The description, benefits or drawbacks of any of the methods could be extended with more detail and gain extra marks			

Qu		Answer	Mark	AO1	AO2
	<ul> <li>Investig</li> <li>Different example</li> <li>More per the description</li> </ul>	of using a team of analysts compared with using an individual: ation should be completed quicker t levels of experience and expertise so can carry out different tasks, for e senior analysts could interview managers cople have a more varied experience of businesses and Investigation cion of any of the advantages of using a team of analysts could be extended etail and/or examples and gain extra credit.			
	10 - 13 mark	se Candidates give a clear, coherent answer fully and accurately describing methods of investigation and the benefits of working as a team. They use appropriate terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar.			
	5 - 9 marks	Candidates give a clear, coherent answer describing method(s) of investigation. There are a few errors in terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar.			
	1 - 4 marks	Candidates give an answer simply listing methods of investigation or describe one method of investigation. There are significant errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar.			
	0 marks	No appropriate response			
		Total	100	84	16

#### CG3 - Summer 2015 Mark Scheme

#### 01 Any 2 of:

• Speeds up text input / faster than typing

- 2x1
- Can be used by someone who is unable to type / not a skilled typist / disabled
- May help to avoid RSI
- Allows user to simultaneously do some other task
- Takes up less room than a keyboard and mouse (useful in mobile devices)

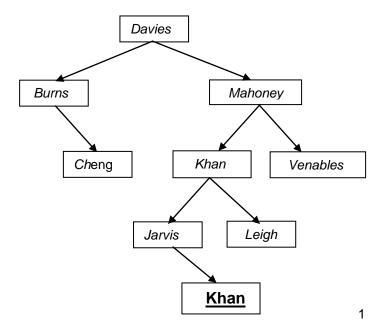
**Not**: hygiene concerns. **Not** just "more intuitive"

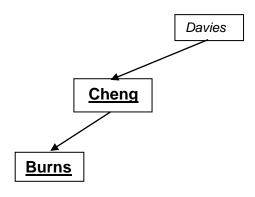
- Different words may sound the same (e.g. week/weak)

  Command words may be taken as input words (or vice versa) (eg "end sentence") 1
- 03 Binary tree 1
- 04 Root (node) 1
- O5 Advantage: faster to add a value / search for a value.

  Disadvantage: more complex to program / process / May slow processing/traversal if unbalanced.

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	Marking: 1 mark for reversed names; 1 mark for different arrow	1+1
80	Example situation could be e.g. customer records – sales etc	1
	Because need to update them in an unpredictable order as sales come in (particularly where large file and large number of transactions)	1
09	The new data is diverted to an overflow area instead of the original	1
	When an attempt is made to access this data, the same process will occur (will a original location fail to find the data and access the overflow)	access 1
10	Files are often encrypted to safeguard the data by making it impossible to read .	 1
	a key and algorithm is used to encrypt/decrypt the data	1
11	An algorithm is a (finite) set of rules / instructions	1
	to solve a (specific) problem	1
	Any 2 of:     • structured English     • flowchart     • pseudo-code	1+1
	(Accepted not expected:) • formal language e.g. Z	
	CONDONE annotated code	

	local copy of the data is created for the procedure (discarded later)	1
	Passing by <u>reference</u> : the <u>address</u> of the data is passed (rather than the actual data)	1 1
	Benefit of passing by value: Avoids problem (associated with passing by ref) of unintended side effects where Parameter has its value changed in the main program as well as in the procedure	
	<ul> <li>Benefit of passing by reference:</li> <li>Any one of: <ul> <li>Avoids the larger amount of processing/storage (associated with passing value) - possibly large amounts of copying</li> <li>Allows (desirable) change to be passed back to the calling program</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	by 1
13	10001101	1
14	010111001000 0101 (Spacing unimportant)	
	23 -> 10111 0.125 -> 001	
	Marking: 1 for correct exponent, 1 for correct mantissa	1+1
15	+9 = <b>00001001</b> so -9 <b>= 11110111</b>	1+1
	-9 * 11110111 + 4 * 00000100 * 11111011 -> 00000101	
	Marking: If see all three lines of the correct addition (*) -> first mark If see correct conversion back to 00000101 -> second mark	
16	OR Input Output 0 0 0 0 1 1 (all four need to be correct for 1)	1
	1 0 1 1 1 1	
17	AND Input Output	1
	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1
18	A system like this will be safety-critical – human life is at risk if the software fails (half safe)	as to
	It is also likely to be highly complex software (and hardware) – there would probably be multiple inputs, has to work in real time (with a fast moving train)	1

Passing by value:

#### 19 Benefit: any 1 of:

- saves cost once installed no need for level crossing staff
- not subject to possibly fatal human error

#### Drawback:

#### Any one of:

- may not detect unlikely situation eg car on track / may lead to people trying to dodge round barriers
- could fail with potentially catastrophic results (even if high quality)

#### Not unemployment could result

#### 20 Any 2 of:

- check the correspondence between the actual design and its specification / user requirements / objectives / safety critical aspects (related particularly to levelcrossing safety)
- confirm that the most appropriate techniques have been used, particular bearing in mind the safety-critical aspects in this case
- confirm the HCI is appropriate

#### not cost-related answers

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- Cannot see / feel / try-on the item (for a tangible item) / may not be as advertised
- Lacks the social aspect of shopping
- Need access to a debit card / credit card / on-line banking
- 6x1

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- Can't get the item immediately (tangible item)
- There is often a delivery charge (tangible item)
- If not at home when delivered you may need to visit post office, etc (tangible item) / you need to be at home when delivered
- Something may get lost or broken in the post (tangible item)
- May need to return item more difficult than going back to shop (tangible item)
- Website may be fraudulent-may not receive goods
   (Separate points)
- Website may be fraudulent-credit card details may be stolen <u>if well argued</u>)
- May have an impact on traditional shops closing down.

<u>Not</u> health related risks eg RSI / lack of exercise Not could introduce virus

#### An example of an extended answer worth six marks is:

With on-line shopping, the purchaser can't see or try-on the item and it may not be as advertised. There is also a delay in receiving the item and there may be a delivery charge. If the customer is not at home when the item delivered they may need to visit post office etc. Something may also be damaged or lost in the post. If the customer needs to return the item it will probably be more difficult than to return it to a shop. There are also concerns over fraud etc - the website may be fraudulent and the customer may not receive the goods or credit/debit card details might be stolen. Online shopping lacks the social aspect of normal shopping and may also result in high-street shops closing down.

A multiprogramming computer system is one where more than one job is held in the computer's main memory at the same time and can be processed in the computer's central processing unit (CPU) at (apparently) the same time. Multiprogramming is used to ensure the most efficient use of the CPU and prevent the CPU being idle while waiting for a slower peripheral. The real-time clock causes regular interrupts to create time-slices, which the operating system allocates to the various jobs: this process is called scheduling and is controlled by a scheduler program. Each job is checked sequentially to ensure that it gets its appropriate share of time – this is known as polling. To allow more than one job to be resident in the main memory at any one time, the memory needs to be separated into separate parts - this is called partitioning.

[When answers are given in well-expressed point form:

- 6 marks may be gained for six or more of the individual points listed below
- 5 marks may be gained for five of the individual points listed below
- 4 marks may be gained for four of the individual points listed below
- 3 marks may be gained for three of the individual points listed below
- 2 marks may be gained for two of the individual points listed below
- 1 mark may be gained for one of the individual points listed below

## However answered, can't get all 6 unless gained mark for each of <u>scheduling</u> & partitioning

- More than one job is in memory at same time
- More than one job is processed (apparently) at same time
- Real-time clock causes regular interrupts to create time-slices
- Scheduling allocates time-slices to each job
- Polling is the sequential checking of jobs so that each gets its appropriate share of time
- OS uses partitioning, ie the division of computer memory for different jobs
- OS pages jobs in and out to make better use of memory
- OS promotes efficient use of CPU
- A router holds information about the <u>addresses</u> of devices in the network or other networks
  - ... and can send data to the correct destination.

Protocols are necessary to specify data formats etc to enable devices to communicate with each other 1

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Examples: any 1 of:

- Linking a computer to a printer
- Using ftp/http/smtp/tcp /pop3 etc
- Linking mobile phones by Bluetooth

a|b|c . . . |z|A|B...|Z 24 <letter> ::= (condone only upper or only lower) <digit> 0|1|2... |9 ) 1 ::= <undersc> ::= <letter>|<digit>|<undersc> <char> 1 ::= <chars> <char>|<char><chars>|null 1

#### Marking:

<varname> ::=

• One mark for attempted recursion even if incorrect:

<letter><chars><letter>

- same item Left and Right + other item(s) on Right are needed
- Can't get 4 unless completely correct including handling of 2 or more chars
- Notation error max 1 mark lost

25	A database administrator is the person in a company who is responsible for the structure, security and management of the database system and the data in it.						
26	Data	mining:	the analysis of a large amount of data (in a data warehouse) to provide new information / find patterns/trends in the data	1 1			
	Supe	rmarket:	could attempt to attract customer to make additional purchase using analysis of data from customer personal data & purchase				
	Insura	ance compa	<ul> <li>Any 1 of:</li> <li>might use data mining to try to detect fraud</li> <li>might use data mining to try to attract new business</li> </ul>	1			
	For both supermarket and insurance company: must be mass data, not data applying to one person						
27	TEACHER (TeacherID, TeacherName, TeacherAddress)						
	CONTRACT ( <u>TeacherID</u> <u>ModuleID</u> , <u>StartDate</u> , HoursWorked,)						
	MODULE (ModuleID, ModuleName)						
	SKILL ( <u>TeacherID</u> , <u>ModuleID</u> )						
[Mar	Each table		oly named tables with suitable PK shown as such (2 or 3 correct = 1 mark) hown as such	1 2 4			
			er of bad fields / bad FKs – remove only 1 mark litional / irrelevant fields				
		Other approaches are possible and will be given full credit if correct.					
e.g. CONTRACT (ContractID, TeacherID ModuleID, StartDate, HoursWorked,)							

		Marking		
1	input NumStu	· ·		
2	Set OverallMax = 0	Initialise all 4 (condone 3)	1	6
3	for StuCount = 1 to NumStu	(my lines 2,4,5,6)		
4	set Total = 0			
5	set Max = 0 (or any integer < 0)	Outside loop	1	
6	set Min = 10 (or any integer > 10)			
7	for MarkCount = 1 to 8	Inside loop	1	
8	input Mark			
9	set Total = Total + Mark	Input & increment both max	1	
10	if Mark > Max then Max = Mark	& min		
11	if Mark < Min then Min = Mark			
12	endfor	0-1-0		
13	set Total = Total - Min - Max	Calc & output final mark	1	
14	output "Final Mark = ", Total If Total > OverallMax			
15	then set OverallMax = Total	Cala OvarallMay incide loop	1	
16	endfor	Calc OverallMax inside loop	'	
17	output "Highest Mark = ", OverallMax	& output it outside loop		
''	output Tilgilest Mark - , OveralliMax			
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[Marking: Other approaches are possible and will be given full credit if correct. No marks are given for brevity / efficiency / elegance.]

29 Why standardised: any 1 of

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- program written in a certain language on one computer/environment is likely to run easily on a different computer/environment
- programmer familiar with the language on one computer/environment is likely to be able to adapt easily to working on a different computer/environment

Why difficult to standardise:

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- different manufacturers / developers approaching problem differently may not be keen to share for commercial reasons
- 30 Subprogram libraries contain utilities / common tasks, etc

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and can be used by any user, avoiding re-writing (and have been tested)

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- 31 Any one of:
  - A module might be useful in another program. If it has been complied as part
    of a whole program, it will not be available in compiled form for the new
    program.
  - If any errors are corrected /changes made, the whole program will have to be re-compiled.
  - It may be preferable to test each module before combining into the whole program / It is easier to find errors in smaller modules.

**Not** simply "It will take longer to compile"

32 OOL: Any 2 of:

1+1

- uses objects include both data and associated processing
- enables production of buttons / icons, etc useful in a visual environment
- uses features such as inheritance, encapsulation etc (Accepted not expected)

Class: template specifying methods/properties etc.

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Method: program (routine) defined within the class/contained within the object

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• <u>A CASE tool</u> is a software tool which provides a number of functions which assist with the design and testing of a computer system / program.

- provides a data dictionary
- includes a graphics / diagram production feature
- · may provide repositories of reusable code
- may provide project management tool(s)
- may incorporate version control
- may carry out report generationmay include prototyping tool
- may include prototyping tool
   may include application generator
- may include code generator

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- A compiler is a software tool which is used to translate a program (written in a high-level language) into a low-level program ready for execution on the computer.
- It has various stages: lexical analysis, syntax analysis, semantic analysis, code generation, optimisation (1 mark for naming >=3 if no marks for describing them)
- During \*\*\* Lexical Analysis, input stream is broken into tokens, spaces etc removed
- During \*\*\* <u>Syntax Analysis</u>, symbol table produced, tokens are checked for fit to grammar (or symbol table can be described in lexical analysis instead)
- During \*\*\* <u>Semantic Analysis</u>, a check is made that all variables are declared, and operations are legal eg real values are not being assigned to integer variables
- During Code Generation, machine code is generated
- During <u>Optimisation</u>, the code is improved if necessary to make it more efficient / faster / less resource greedy
- Produces error messages at any stage when needed (once only for complier)
- A debugger is a software tool used to detect, locate and correct faults in a program
- program trace/step-through/step-into: enables the programmer to see the progress through the program - which statements/procedures are being executed at any time
- break point: allows the programmer temporarily to halt execution in order to ascertain the value of variables at that point (or to step through the program from that point)
- variable watch: lists the value of a variable at specific points during the execution
- store dump: lists the entire contents of memory at a specific point
- error diagnostics: provision of messages relating to errors in the program
- post-mortem routines: enables programmer to see the values of variables at the point where the program failed - accepted not expected

Note: if only <u>name</u> various facilities eg trace, break point, variable watch, worth 1 only

- \*\*\* Lexical An, Syntax An and Semantic An can each get two marks for 2 or more good points
- 9-12 Candidates give a clear, coherent answer fully and accurately describing and explaining all three tools. They use appropriate terminology and accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- 5-8 Candidates describe and explain a reasonable part of the subject area, but responses lack clarity. There are a few errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- O-4 Candidates simply list a range of points or give a brief explanation the subject area. The response lacks clarity and there are significant errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar.

[Maximum of 9 if only two of the three tools discussed maximum of 5 if only one of the three tools discussed]



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