



Mark Scheme

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## Paper 2 Mark Scheme

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
<b>1</b>	<p>Award marks as shown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add a line to import the math library (1) Original: &lt;Blank&gt; Amended: <code>import math</code></li> <li>Create and set an integer variable (1) Original: &lt;Blank&gt; Amended: <code>radius = 0</code></li> <li>Create and set a real variable (1) Original: &lt;Blank&gt; Amended: <code>circumference = 0.0</code></li> <li>Complete the line to take input from the user Original: <code>radius =</code> Amended: <code>radius = int (input ("Enter the radius of a circle: "))</code> Call to <code>input()</code>, with a prompt (1) Call to <code>int()</code> to convert string to integer (1)</li> <li>Complete the line to validate for negative radii (1) Original: <code>radius</code> Amended: <code>radius &lt;= 0</code></li> <li>Add a line to print an invalid input message (1) Original: &lt;Blank&gt; Amended: <code>print ("Invalid radius")</code></li> <li>Complete the calculation of the circumference (1) Original: <code>circumference =</code> Amended: <code>circumference = 2 * math.pi * radius</code></li> <li>Complete the line to round circumference to three decimal places Original: <code>circumference =</code> Amended: <code>circumference = round (circumference, 3)</code> Call to <code>round()</code> (1) Correct parameters to <code>round()</code> (1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bullet 4: Accept any appropriate string prompt.</li> <li>Bullet 6: Accept any appropriate message.</li> <li>Bullet 7: Accept any order for calculation. Accept approximate numeric value of Pi, if math library not used</li> </ul>	<b>(10)</b>

```
1  # -----
2  # Import libraries
3  # -----
4  # =====> Import the math library
5  import math
6
7  # -----
8  # Global variables
9  # -----
10 # =====> Create an integer variable named radius and set it to 0
11 radius = 0
12
13 # =====> Create a real variable named circumference and set it to 0.0
14 circumference = 0.0
15
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16 # -----
17 # Main program
18 # -----
19 # =====> Complete the line to assign an integer, input by
20 #           the user, to the variable radius
21 radius = int (input ("Enter the radius of a circle: "))
22
23 # =====> Complete the code in the brackets to check for
24 #           an invalid radius of zero or less input by the user
25 if (radius <= 0):
26     # =====> Add a line to tell the user the entry is invalid
27     print ("Invalid radius")
28 else:
29     # =====> Complete the calculation of the circumference
30     circumference = 2 * math.pi * radius
31
32     # =====> Complete the line to round circumference to three
33     #           decimal places using the round() function
34     circumference = round (circumference, 3)
35
36     print ("The circumference is", circumference)
```

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<b>2</b>	<p>Award marks as shown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (line 5) (1) From: <code>initials =</code> To: <code>initials = ""</code> (any string value)</li> <li>• (line 17) (1) From: <code>else if (len (initials) &gt; 3):</code> To: <code>elif (len (initials) &gt; 3):</code></li> <li>• (line 19) (1) From: <code>else</code> To: <code>else:</code></li> <li>• (line 11) (1) From: <code>while ((a == "Y") and (a == "y")):</code> To: <code>while ((a == "Y") or (a == "y")):</code></li> <li>• (line 15) (1) From: <code>elif (len (initials) &lt;= 2):</code> To: <code>elif (len (initials) &lt; 2):</code></li> <li>• (line 13) (1) From: <code>if (initials.isalpha ()):</code> To: <code>if (not initials.isalpha ()):</code></li> <li>• (line 23) (1) From: <code>a == input ("Would you like to go again? ")</code> To: <code>a = input ("Would you like to go again? ")</code></li> <li>• (line 20) (1) From: <code>initials = initials.lower ()</code> To: <code>initials = initials.upper ()</code></li> <li>• across all lines, change 'a' to a suitable name such as 'answer' (1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bullet 6: accept equivalent expressions</li> <li>• Bullet 7: the line may look different if the variable 'a' has already been changed</li> <li>• Bullet 10: any equivalent expression accepted</li> </ul>	<b>(10)</b>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• (line 21) a comment such as 'displays a string and a variable on the same line' / 'prints a string and a variable' / 'prints two strings' (1)</li></ul>		
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```
1  # -----
2  # Global variables
3  # -----
4  answer = "Y"
5  initials = ""
6
7  # -----
8  # Main program
9  # -----
10
11 while ((answer == "Y") or (answer == "y")):
12     initials = input ("Enter your initials, without spaces: ")
13     if (not initials.isalpha ()):
14         print ("Must be alphabetic characters")
15     elif (len (initials) < 2):
16         print ("Not long enough")
17     elif (len (initials) > 3):
18         print ("Too long")
19     else:
20         initials = initials.upper ()
21         print ("Your initials are:", initials) # Displays two strings on the same line
22
23     answer = input ("Would you like to go again? ")
```



Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
<b>3</b>	<p>Award marks as shown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete theVowels with a list of strings (1) theVowels = ["A", "E", "I", "O", "U"]</li> <li>• Complete theCounts with a list of integers (1) theCounts = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]</li> <li>• Call to range() must use 'len (inSymbols)' (1) for index in range (len (inSymbols)):</li> <li>• First item in print statement should be the vowel/symbol using indexing (1) inSymbols[index]</li> <li>• Histogram line should be the vowel/symbol repeated using string multiplication (symbol*count) using indexing (1) inSymbols[index] * inNumbers[index]</li> <li>• Contents of data converted using &lt;string&gt;.upper() (1) data = data.upper()</li> <li>• Use of selection (if/elif) to count occurrences (1)</li> <li>• Use of relational operator (==) to check for vowels (1)</li> <li>• Call to displayHistogram has two arguments (1) displayHistogram (theVowels, theCounts)</li> <li>• Order of arguments to displayHistogram matches function definition (1) displayHistogram (theVowels, theCounts)</li> </ul> <p>Levels-based mark scheme to a maximum of 3, from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functionality (3)</li> </ul>	<p>Considerations for levels-based mark scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [6.1.2] Translates without error, even if reduced functionality</li> <li>• [6.1.6] Functions correctly for an empty string input (i.e. no values displayed, although axis is acceptable)</li> <li>• [6.4.1] Functions correctly for any string input, without carriage returns and line feeds</li> </ul>	<b>(13)</b>

### Functionality (levels-based mark scheme)

0	1	2	3	Max.
<i>No rewardable material</i>	<b>Functionality (when the code is run)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The component parts of the program are incorrect or incomplete, providing a program of limited functionality that meets some of the given requirements.</li> <li>Program outputs are of limited accuracy and/or provide limited information.</li> <li>Program responds predictably to some of the anticipated input.</li> <li>Solution is not robust and may crash on anticipated or provided input.</li> </ul>	<b>Functionality (when the code is run)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The component parts of the program are complete, providing a functional program that meets most of the stated requirements.</li> <li>Program outputs are mostly accurate and informative.</li> <li>Program responds predictably to most of the anticipated input.</li> <li>Solution may not be robust within the constraints of the problem.</li> </ul>	<b>Functionality (when the code is run)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The component parts of the program are complete, providing a functional program that fully meets the given requirements.</li> <li>Program outputs are accurate, informative, and suitable for the user.</li> <li>Program responds predictably to anticipated input.</li> <li>Solution is robust within the constraints of the problem.</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>

```
1  # -----
2  # Global variables
3  # -----
4  data = ""
5
6  # =====> Create a one-dimensional data structure holding the
7  #           five vowels in upper case
8  theVowels = ["A", "E", "I", "O", "U"]
9
10 # =====> Create a one-dimensional data structure to hold the count for each vowel
11 theCounts = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
12
13 # -----
14 # Subprograms
15 # -----
16 def displayHistogram (inSymbols, inNumbers):
17     # =====> Complete the call to range (), using len ()
18     for index in range (len (inSymbols)):
19         # Repeat the symbol for the number of times required
20         # =====> Complete the print statement to print the vowel
21         #           for the number of times it was counted
22         print (inSymbols[index] + "|" + inSymbols[index] * inNumbers[index])
23
```

```
24 # -----
25 # Main program
26 # -----
27 # User types in a string
28 data = input ("Enter a string: ")
29
30 # =====> Complete the line to convert data to upper case
31 data = data.upper()
32
33 # Count each vowel in the input
34 for letter in data:
35     # =====> Use selection to check for each vowel and increment the corresponding count
36     if (letter == "A"):
37         theCounts[0] = theCounts[0] + 1
38     elif (letter == "E"):
39         theCounts[1] = theCounts[1] + 1
40     elif (letter == "I"):
41         theCounts[2] = theCounts[2] + 1
42     elif (letter == "O"):
43         theCounts[3] = theCounts[3] + 1
44     elif (letter == "U"):
45         theCounts[4] = theCounts[4] + 1
46
47 # Print a horizontal histogram
48 # =====> Complete the call to the subprogram
49 displayHistogram (theVowels, theCounts)
```

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
<b>4</b>	<p>Award marks as shown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White space used to aid readability (1)</li> <li>• User input accepted as first operation, after initialisations (1)</li> <li>• Modulus calculated before checkDigit calculation (1)</li> <li>• Repetition (while index &lt; len (isbn)) around product calculation (1)</li> <li>• product calculated before incrementing index (1)</li> <li>• product calculated before decrementing multiplier (1)</li> <li>• total set after product calculated (1)</li> <li>• Initialisation of variables before calculations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ multiplier (1)</li> <li>◦ index (1)</li> <li>◦ total (1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Correct outputs for each set of test data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 071954400 – 9 (1)</li> <li>◦ 047119047 - 0 (1)</li> <li>◦ 061826941 – X (1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• One or more comments match blocks of code (1)</li> <li>• Printing of result is the last line in the program (1)</li> </ul>		<b>(15)</b>

```
1  # -----
2  # Global variables
3  # -----
4  isbn = ""
5  index = 0
6  product = 0
7  total = 0
8  multiplier = 10
9  modulus = 0
10 checkDigit = 0
11 strCheckDigit = ""
12
13 # -----
14 # Main program
15 # -----
16 # Get the user's input
17 isbn = input ("Enter a 9-digit ISBN number: ")
18
19 # Multiply each digit by its position in the number
20 while (index < len (isbn)):
21     product = int (isbn[index]) * multiplier
22     total = product + total
23     index = index + 1
24     multiplier = multiplier - 1
25
```

```
26     # Find the remainder from integer division by 11
27     modulus = total % 11
28
29     # Calculate the check digit
30     checkDigit = 11 - modulus
31
32     # Test for boundaries
33     if (checkDigit == 11):
34         strCheckDigit = "0"
35     elif (checkDigit == 10):
36         strCheckDigit = "X"
37     else:
38         strCheckDigit = str (checkDigit)
39
40     print ("Check digit = " + strCheckDigit + " ISBN = " + isbn + strCheckDigit)
```

Question number	Answer	Additional guidance	Mark
<b>5</b>	<p>Award marks as shown.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calculate the mean of each row (1)</li> <li>• Strip carriage return (1)</li> <li>• Split line by comma (1)</li> <li>• File opened for reading only (1)</li> <li>• File closed before exiting program (1)</li> <li>• No global variables created (1)</li> </ul> <p>Levels-based mark scheme to a maximum of 6, from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solution design (3)</li> <li>• Functionality (3)</li> </ul>	<p>Considerations for levels-based mark scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [6.1.2] Translates without error, even if reduced functionality</li> <li>• [6.4.1] Output is suitable for the audience and fit for purpose (aligned columns, labels)</li> <li>• [6.1.6] Means match numbers in file (33.90, 55.30, 41.50, 48.10, 54.50)</li> <li>• [6.2.2] Use of 'for' loop in preference to a 'while' loop for iteration through numbers after split</li> <li>• [6.3.2] Use of a variable to track the row being read from the file</li> <li>• [6.3.3] Use of &lt;string&gt;.format() to control decimals and column alignment</li> </ul>	<b>(12)</b>



### Solution design (levels-based mark scheme)

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### Functionality (levels-based mark scheme)

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<p><i>No rewardable material</i></p>	<p><b>Functionality (when the code is run)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The component parts of the program are incorrect or incomplete, providing a program of limited functionality that meets some of the given requirements.</li> <li>• Program outputs are of limited accuracy and/or provide limited information.</li> <li>• Program responds predictably to some of the anticipated input.</li> <li>• Solution is not robust and may crash on anticipated or provided input.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Functionality (when the code is run)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The component parts of the program are complete, providing a functional program that meets most of the stated requirements.</li> <li>• Program outputs are mostly accurate and informative.</li> <li>• Program responds predictably to most of the anticipated input.</li> <li>• Solution may not be robust within the constraints of the problem.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Functionality (when the code is run)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The component parts of the program are complete, providing a functional program that fully meets the given requirements.</li> <li>• Program outputs are accurate, informative, and suitable for the user.</li> <li>• Program responds predictably to anticipated input.</li> <li>• Solution is robust within the constraints of the problem.</li> </ul>	<p><b>3</b></p>

```

1  # -----
2  # Constants
3  # -----
4  FILE_NAME = "Q05_Data.txt"      # The input data file
5  NUMS_PER_LINE = 10             # Number of items per line in the file
6
7  # -----
8  # Subprograms
9  # -----
10 def processLines (inFile):
11     # =====> Write your code here
12     row = 0
13     total = 0
14     mean = 0.0
15     items = []
16     layout = "{:>4}    {:^5.2f}"
17
18     theFile = open (inFile, "r")
19
20     # Get the line of numbers from the file
21     # =====> Write your code here
22     for line in theFile:          # Process whole file
23         line = line.strip ()      # Strip off the LF
24         items = line.split (",")  # Split on the commas
25

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```
26      # Calculate the mean for the items and adjust the row counter
27      # =====> Write your code here
28      total = 0
29      for number in items:
30          total = total + int (number)
31      mean = total / NUMS_PER_LINE
32      row = row + 1
33
34      # Display the information in columnar format
35      # =====> Write your code here
36      print (layout.format (row, mean))
37
38      # =====> Write your code here
39      # Close the file
40      theFile.close ()
41
```

```
42 def displayTableHeaders ():
43     # =====> Write your code here
44     layout = "{:>4}    {:^7}"
45     print (layout.format ("Row", "Mean"))
46     print ("-" * 15)
47
48     # -----
49     # Main program
50     # -----
51     # Do the processing and the display
52     displayTableHeaders ()
53     processLines (FILE_NAME)
```

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<b>6</b>	<p>Award marks as shown.</p> <p>Points-based mark scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of two-dimensional indexing to get single letters for constructing code (1)</li> <li>• Conversion of date (integer) to string for constructing code (1)</li> <li>• Use of string concatenation to construct code (1)</li> <li>• Appending the new label to the data structure (1)</li> <li>• Initial value of date set to appropriate value (0 or negative) for use with relational operator (1)</li> <li>• A method for tracking the youngest artist (index, whole record) (1)</li> </ul> <p>Levels-based mark scheme to a maximum of 9, from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solution design (3)</li> <li>• Good programming practices (3)</li> <li>• Functionality (3)</li> </ul>	<p>Considerations for levels-based mark scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [6.1.1] Use decomposition to solve problem and create solution</li> <li>• [6.2.2] Use of 'for' loop to iterate over a data structure, rather than a 'while' loop</li> <li>• [6.3.1] Conversion of data types to those required by program, e.g. strings</li> <li>• [6.1.2] Write in a high-level language</li> <li>• [6.1.4] Main program code is laid out in clear sections; white space is used to show different parts of the solution/functionality; variable names are meaningful; comments are provided and are helpful</li> <li>• [6.2.2] Use of iteration ('for'), to find youngest artist, as list is not sorted by date</li> <li>• [6.4.1] Printed outputs match requirements</li> <li>• [6.1.6] Functions correctly for any number of artists in the list</li> </ul>	<b>(15)</b>

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### Good programming practices (levels-based mark scheme)

0	1	2	3	Max.
<i>No rewardable material</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There has been little attempt to lay out the code into identifiable sections to aid readability.</li> <li>Some use of meaningful variable names.</li> <li>Limited or excessive commenting.</li> <li>Parts of the code are clear, with limited use of appropriate spacing and indentation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There has been some attempt to lay out the code to aid readability, although sections may still be mixed.</li> <li>Uses mostly meaningful variable names.</li> <li>Some use of appropriate commenting, although may be excessive.</li> <li>Code is mostly clear, with some use of appropriate white space to aid readability.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Layout of code is effective in separating sections, e.g. putting all variables together, putting all subprograms together as appropriate.</li> <li>Meaningful variable names and subprogram interfaces are used where appropriate.</li> <li>Effective commenting is used to explain logic of code blocks.</li> <li>Code is clear, with good use of white space to aid readability.</li> </ul>	<b>3</b>



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```
1  # -----
2  # Global variables
3  # -----
4  theArtists = [["Andy", "Warhol", 1928],
5                ["Pablo", "Picasso", 1881],
6                ["Salvador", "Dali", 1904],
7                ["Lavinia", "Fontana", 1552],
8                ["Jackson", "Pollock", 1912],
9                ["Henri", "Matisse", 1869],
10               ["Frida", "Kahlo", 1907],
11               ["Georgia", "O'Keeffe", 1887],
12               ["Kara", "Walker", 1969],
13               ["Yayoi", "Kusama", 1929]]
14
15  theLabels = []    # Put the new user labels into this structure
16  # ==> Write your code here
17  maxDate = 0
18  newLabel = ""
19  maxPerson = []
20
```

```
21  # -----
22  # Main program
23  # -----
24  # ==> Write your code here
25  # Make the artists' labels
26  for person in theArtists:
27      newLabel = person[1][0] + person[0][0] + str (person[2])
28      theLabels.append (newLabel)
29      print (newLabel)
30
31  # Find and print the youngest person and their birthdate
32  for person in theArtists:
33      if person[2] > maxDate:
34          maxDate = person[2]
35          maxPerson = person      # Save the whole record
36  print (maxPerson[0], maxPerson[1], "is youngest", str (maxPerson[2]))
```