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1. True/False	15	
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Total	100	

Question 1: True/False – 15 Marks (1 each)

For the following questions, please circle (or indicate as specified by the question) your answer directly on the exam sheet. Note that questions are each worth one point unless otherwise indicated.

- 1) A variable in Python has a name and a location (memory). **True** False
- 2) Python can have variables that are integers. **True** False
- 3) Boolean variables can only have a value of true or false. **True** False
- 4) Compilers translate source code into byte code **True** False
- 5) The first position in a string in Python has the index 0. **True** False
- 6) The symbol ‘#’ is used in Python to indicate a comment. **True** False
- 7) x1yZ is a valid variable name in Python. **True** False
- 8) 9.7E05 is a floating number in Python **True** False
- 9) The keyword **def** is used to define a function in Python **True** False
- 10) The assignment operator in Python is = **True** False
- 11) To divide two integers to get an integer result, you can use **//** **True** False
- 12) The keyword **elseif** can be used in if-statements in Python. True **False**
- 13) The operator **+** can be used to concatenate two strings together **True** False
- 14) In Python, lists are immutable True **False**
- 15) $45 \% 8$ produces the result 5.0 True **False**

Question 2: Multiple Choice – 15 Marks (1 each)

- 1) Which of the following statements is/are TRUE about the CPU?
- CPU stands for Central Processing Unit
 - The CPU is what performs computation
 - The CPU processes machine language
 - At least two of the above statements are true**
 - None of the above are true
- 2) What are two of the most important benefits of the Python language?
- Advanced mathematical equations and fast programs
 - Ease of use and fast programs
 - Ease of use and portability**
 - Fast programs and smaller programs
- 3) Which statement(s) allows us to initialize the list `numbers` with 10 elements all set to zero?
- `numbers = [0]`
 - `numbers[10] = 0`
 - `numbers = [0] * 10`**
 - `numbers[10] = [0] * 10`
- 4) Which of the following subtracts a variable `x` from a variable `y`, divides their difference by 3 and adds 11 to the result:
- $(x - y) / 3 + 11$
 - $x - y / 3 + 11$
 - $y - x / 3 + 11$
 - $(y - x) / 3 + 11$**
 - None of the above are true
- 5) What will be the values of the variables `num1` and `num2` after the execution of the following assignments?
- ```
num1 = 21
num2 = 18
num1 = num1 + num2 / 2
num2 = num1
```
- `num1` is 21, `num2` is 21
  - `num1` is 30, `num2` is 30**
  - `num1` is 30, `num2` is 21
  - `num1` is 30, `num2` is 18
  - None of the above.

Consider the following code for the next two questions:

```
num1 = int(input("Enter a number: "))
num2 = int(input("Enter a number: "))
num3 = int(input("Enter a number: "))
if num1 > num2 :
 if num1 > num3 :
 print(num1)
 else :
 print(num3)
else :
 if num2 <= num3 :
 print(num2)
 else :
 print(num3)
```

6) Assuming that a user enters 30, 20, and 10 as the input values in that order to the code above, what is the output?

- a. **30**
- b. 20
- c. 10
- d. 30 and 20
- e. Nothing, there is an error.

7) If the user enters, 10, 20, 30 as the input to the code above in that order, what is the output?

- a. 10
- b. **20**
- c. 30
- d. 10 and 30
- e. Nothing, there is an error.

8) The following code snippet contains an error. What is the error?

```
cost = int(input("Enter the cost: "))
if cost > 100
 cost = cost - 10
print("Discounted cost:", cost)
```

- a. Logical error: use of an uninitialized variable
- b. **Syntax error: missing colon after if statement**
- c. Syntax error: missing an else statement

d. Logical error: error in converting input

9) Which function call correctly invokes the partial drawShape function listed below and prints a star triangle?

```
def drawShape(type) :
 length = len(type)
 if length == 0 :
 return
 if type == "triangle" :
 print(" *")
 print(" ***")
 print("*****")
```

- a. drawShape(triangle)
- b. drawShape("triangle")**
- c. drawShape
- d. value = drawShape(triangle)

10) Which of the following for loops will run the loop body 5 times?

- a. for i in range(13, 9, -1) :
- b. for i in range(14, 10, -1) :
- c. for i in range(15, 9, -1) :
- d. for i in range(14, 9, -1) :**

11) Which of the following checks to see if there is a comma anywhere in the string variable name?

- a. if name.contains(",") :
- b. if "," not in name :
- c. if name.startswith(",") :
- d. if "," in name :**

12) Is the code snippet written below legal?

```
s = "1234"
for i in range (0, 4) :
 print(s[i], s[i + 1])
```

- a. Yes.
- b. No; there should not be a colon at the end of line 2.
- c. No; for i = 3, s[i + 1] will result in an string index out of range error.**
- d. No; for i = 0, s[i] will result in an string index out of range error

13) Which of the following statements is true about functions and strings:

- a. A function can be called with a string as an argument.
- b. A function can return a string.
- c. Only a. is true.
- d. Only b. is true.
- e. **Both a. and b. are true.**

14) What does the following code snippet output?

```
a= 7
b= 8
def fun(b,a):
 a=9
 b=8
 return a
```

```
fun(a,b)
print(a,b)
```

- a. 7 9
- b. 8 9
- c. 9 9
- d. 8 8
- e. **None of the above**

15) Which statement correctly creates a list that contains four elements?

- a. values[4]
- b. values = [4]
- c. **values = [1, 2, 3, 4]**
- d. value[4] = [1, 2, 3, 4]

### Question 3: Short Answers – 30 Marks (2 each)

1) What is the value of `names` after the following code segment has run?

```
names = []
names.append("Amy")
names.append("Bob")
names.pop()
names.append("Peg")
names[0] = "Cy"
names.insert(0, "Ravi")
names.insert(4, "Savannah")
```

**['Ravi', 'Cy', 'Peg', 'Savannah']**

2) What is the output of the code snippet given below?

```
s = "zyxwv"
length = len(s)
i = 1
while i <= length // 2 :
 print(s[i-1], s[length - i])
 i = i + 1
```

**z y**

**y w**

3) What is printed by the following code snippet?

```
name = "This is London Ontario"
name = name.lower()
name = name.replace("o", "#")
name.upper()
print(name)
```

**this is l#nd#n #ntari#**

4) What is printed to the screen when this loop executes?

```
for i in range(24, 3, -7) :
 print(i, end = "-")
```

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5) What is printed from the following code snippet?

```
prices = [[1.0, 3.50, 7.50],
 [10.0, 30.50, 70.50],
 [100.0, 300.50, 700.50],
 [1000.0, 3000.50, 7000.50]]
print(prices[1][2])
```

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**Use the following code for the next three questions (i.e. questions 6 – 8)**

```
num1 = int(input("Enter a number: "))
num2 = int(input("Enter a number: "))
num3 = int(input("Enter a number: "))
if not (num1 > num2 and num1 >= num3) :
 print("First num is", num1)
elif not(num2 > num1 and num2 > num3) :
 if num3 % 10 == 0:
 print("The value is", num3)
 if num1 % 10 == 0:
 print("The value is", num1)
 else:
 print("The value is", num2)
elif not (num3 > num1 or num3 > num2) :
 print(num3)
```

6) Assuming a user enters 40, 45, and 4 as the input, what is the output of the above code snippet?

**First num is 40**

7) Assuming a user enters 50, 45, and 10 as the input, what is the output of the above code snippet?

**The value is 10**  
**The value is 50**

8) Assuming a user enters 7, 7, and 7 as the input, what is the output of the following code snippet?

**First num is 7**

9) What is missing from this code snippet to find the longest value in the list?

```
colors = ["red", "purple", "blue", "green", "yellow", "light green"]
longest = colors[0]
for i in range(1, len(colors)) :

 longest = colors[i]

if len(colors[i]) > len(longest) :
```

10) The following function `interest(prin,rate,nyears)` computes the total interest of an initial investment, `prin`, compounded annually at `rate` for `nyears`. Insert the correct variables and parameters into the code to complete it.

```
def interest(prin,rate,nyears):
 bal = _____
 totalint = 0
 for i in range(nyears):
 intrst = bal * _____
 totalint = totalint + intrst
 bal = bal + _____
 return _____
```

**prin**  
**rate**  
**intrst**  
**totalint**

11) What is the output of the following code snippet.

```
def myCalculator(n):
 i = 10
 x = 4
 y = 2

 while i >= 0 and n >=5:
 y = y ** n
 x = n % 4 + y
 i = i-1
 return x

print(myCalculator(3))
```

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12) The following code segment makes use of `while` statement. Convert it into code that does the same thing but makes use of a `for` statement.

```
i = 0
```

```
j = 0
while i < 125 :
 i = i + 2
 j = j + 1
 print(j)
```

**for i in range(0,125,2) :      -- 2 marks if correct**  
**j=j+1                              – 1 mark for correct body of loop**

13) Review the code snippet below:

```
sentence = input("Enter some text: ")
firstCh = sentence[0]
print(firstCh)
```

Write an if statement that correctly determines if the last letter of the string contained in sentence is an uppercase letter?

**if sentence[len(sentence)-1].isupper(): or**  
**if sentence[-1].isupper():**

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14) Given the code snippet below, what is returned by the function call:

mystery(mystery(2, 2), mystery(2, 2))?

```
def mystery(num1, num2) :
 result = num1 * num2
 return result
```

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15) What code completes this code snippet to swap the first and last element in the list?

```
states = ["Alaska", "Hawaii", "Florida", "Maine"]
i = 0
```

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```
temp = states[j]
states[j] = states[0]
states[i] = temp
```

**j = len(states) - 1    or -1 or 3**

## Question 4: Logic Errors - Correcting Code Segments – 14 Marks

- 1) The following code segment prompts the user for integers and computes and displays all the prime factors of an integer greater than 1. Some factors may be repeated. For instance, if a user enters the number 12 the factors that will be printed are 2, 2 and 3. The program has four logic errors. Identify them and correct the lines of code that contain them. Note: a line may contain more than one logic error. (6 Marks)

```
Read an integer from the user.
value = input("Enter an integer: ") #need to add int 2pt

Compute and display the factors.
print("The factors are:")
while value >= 1 : #should be > not >=
 divisor = 2
 found = False

 # Search for a factor (divisor) until we find one.
 while found == True : #should be False not True 2pt
 if value % divisor == 0 :
 print(divisor)
 value = value / divisor
 found = True
 divisor = divisor - 1 #should be +1 not -1
print('Goodbye')
```

- 2) The following program should display to the screen the reverse of string in all capital letters or all small letters depending on the first letter of the string that is input. The program has a function myReverse that is supposed to return the reverse of the original string and should convert it to all capitals or all small letters. If the first letter of the original string is a capital letter then the result string should be all capitals, otherwise it should be all small letters. The code is syntactically correct, but contains logic errors. Identify them and correct the lines in which they occur. Note: a line may contain more than one logic error. (8 Marks)

```
def myReverse(str):
 outputStr = ""
 i = 1 # i = 0 (1 pt)
 while i < len(str) :
 outputStr = outputStr + str[i] # outputStr = str[i] + outputStr (1 pt)
 i = i + 1
 if str[0].isupper() : # if str[0] ... (2 pt)
 outputStr = str.upper() # outputStr = outputStr.upper() (1 pt)
 else:
 outputStr = str.lower() # outputStr = outputStr.lower() (1 pt)
 return str # return outputStr (2 pt)

inp = input('Enter the string to be reversed:')
print(myReverse(inp))
```

## Question 5: A Little Code - 26 Marks

1) (16 marks)

Create two functions, one that **returns** the state of water, the other that **displays** the state of mercury using the table below. The functions should both have one parameter variable for the temperature. Substance less than or equal to the freezing temperature is considered a solid. Substance greater than the freezing point and less than the boiling point is a liquid, and substance greater than or equal to the boiling point is a gas.

| Substance | Freezing Point (in Celsius) | Boiling point (in Celsius) |
|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Water     | 0                           | 100                        |
| Mercury   | -38.83                      | 356.7                      |

Write a program that uses the two functions. The program should ask the user to enter W or M for the substance (a string) and the temperature (in Celsius) of the substance (a float). Based on the input, the program should print out the state of the substance at that temperature. It is safe to assume that valid input will be given for both inputs.

For example, if the user enters M and 40. The program should output

**At 40 degrees Celsius, mercury is a liquid.**

If the user enters W and 101.2. The program should output

**At 101.2 degrees Celsius, water is a gas.**

```
def calcMercury(temp):
 if temp <= -38.83:
 state = 'solid'
 elif temp < 356.7:
 state = 'liquid'
 else:
 state = 'gas'
 print('At ', temp, ' degrees Celsius mercury is a ', state, '.', sep="")

def calcWater(temp):
 if temp <= 0:
 state = 'solid'
 elif temp < 100:
 state = 'liquid'
 else:
 state = 'gas'
 return 'At ' + str(temp) + ' degrees Celsius water is a ' + state + "."

substance = input('Please enter M or W for substance: ')
temp = float(input('Please enter the temperature: '))
if substance == 'M':
 calcMercury(temp)
else:
 print(calcWater(temp))
```

- 2) (10 marks) Create a program that reads in 7 unique words and if the word has more than 3 characters in it convert the word to uppercase. The program should also validate input, if the user enters a word that does not contain only alphabets (upper or lower case), keep on prompting the user for a valid word. After all the 7 words have been entered, the program should sort all the words and print the sorted words (in order) to the screen. The format of the output should be **Sorted words: word1, word2, word3, word4, word5, word6, word7**

```
listOfWords = []
for i in range(7):
 str1 = input('Please enter a word: ')
 while not str1.isalpha():
 print('Please enter valid input')
 str1 = input('Please enter a valid word:')
 if len(str1)> 3:
 str1 = str1.upper()
 listOfWords.append(str1)

listOfWords.sort()

print("Sorted words:", end= " ")

for i in range(len(listOfWords)):
 if i != len(listOfWords) - 1:
 print(listOfWords[i], end = ", ")
 else:
 print(listOfWords[i])
```

## Python string functions

| Function Name            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| capitalize()             | Returns the String with first character capitalized and rest of the characters in lower case.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| lower()                  | Converts all the characters of the String to lowercase.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| upper()                  | Converts all the characters of the String to uppercase.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| count( str[,beg,end])    | Returns the number of times substring 'str' occurs in range [beg, end] if beg and end index are given. If it is not given then substring is searched in the whole String. Search is case-sensitive.                                                                                                                               |
| islower()                | Returns 'True' if all the characters in the String are in lowercase. If any one character is in uppercase it will return 'False'.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| isupper()                | Returns 'True' if all the characters in the String are in uppercase. If any one character is in lowercase it will return 'False'.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| isdecimal()              | Returns 'True' if all the characters in String are decimal. If anyone character in the String is of other data-type, it will return 'False'.                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| isdigit()                | Returns 'True' for any character for which isdecimal() would return 'True and some characters in 'No' category. If there are any characters other than these, it will return 'False'.                                                                                                                                             |
| isalpha()                | Returns 'True' if String contains at least one character (non-empty String) and all the characters are alphabetic, 'False' otherwise.                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| isalnum()                | Returns 'True' if String contains at least one character (non-empty String) and all the characters are either alphabetic or decimal digits, 'False' otherwise.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| find(str [,i [,j]])      | Searches for 'str' in complete String (if i and j not defined) or in a sub-string of String (if i and j are defined). This function returns the index if 'str' is found else returns '-1', where, i=search starts from this index. j=search ends at this index.                                                                   |
| index(str[,i [,j]])      | This is same as 'find' method. The only difference is that it raises 'ValueError' exception if 'str' is not found.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| rfind(str[,i [,j]])      | This is same as find() just that this function returns the last index where 'str' is found. If 'str' is not found it returns '-1'.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| count(str[,i [,j]])      | Returns the number of occurrences of substring 'str' in the String. Searches for 'str' in complete String (if i and j not defined) or in a sub-string of String (if i and j are defined), where, i=search starts from this index, j=search ends at this index.                                                                    |
| replace(old,new[,count]) | Replaces all the occurrences of substring 'old' with 'new' in the String. If 'count' is defined then only 'count' number of occurrences of 'old' will be replaced with 'new', where, old =substring to be replaced, new =substring that will replace the old, count =number of occurrences of old that will be replaced with new. |
| split([sep[,maxsplit]])  | Returns a list of substring obtained after splitting the String with 'sep' as delimiter, where, sep= delimiter, default is space, maxsplit= number of splits to be done.                                                                                                                                                          |
| lstrip([chars])          | Returns a String after removing the characters from the beginning of the String. where, Chars=this is the character to be trimmed from the String. Default is whitespace character.                                                                                                                                               |
| rstrip()                 | Returns a String after removing the characters from the End of the String. where, Chars=this is the character to be trimmed from the String. Default is whitespace character.                                                                                                                                                     |
| len(string)              | Returns the length of given String                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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