

# St Edward's College Malta

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Year 13

Computing SL  
Paper 2

Time: 1 hour 30 mins

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4. Answer ALL questions.
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(Option D — Object-oriented programming)

A library in a college loans books to students.

The current **book borrowing system**, which was developed years ago, is prone to error. You are a member of the new program development team which has decided to develop a system using an object-oriented programming (OOP) approach. The team will be divided into small sub-groups.

The program development team is aware of the following user requirements.

- Certain books are classified as **short term** and can only be borrowed for 5 days. Other books are classified as **long term** and can be borrowed for 30 days.
- Fines are charged at a rate of \$1.50 for each day that a short term book is overdue.
- Fines are charged at a rate of 10 cents for each day that a long term book is overdue.
- If the overdue period exceeds 4 days for any short term loan book students are not allowed to borrow any more books and their borrowing rights are suspended; this does not apply for long term book loans.
- Students can borrow a total of 10 books.

1.

- a. Outline **two** advantages that the programming team should expect from using an OOP approach. [4]
- b. Explain **two** ethical issues which should be taken into account when working on the project. [4]

Following some analysis, the team determined that the Loan and Student classes will be used. Part of the Student class is shown below.

```
import java.util.*;
public class Student
{
    private int studentID;
    private String studentName;
    private Loan[] booksBorrowed = new Loan[10];
    private int numBooks = 0;
    public Student(int studentID, String studentName)
    {
        this.studentID=studentID;
        this.studentName=studentName;
```

```

}
public Loan getLoan (int x)
{
    return this.booksBorrowed[x];
}
public void addLoan(Loan book)
{
    this.booksBorrowed[numBooks] = book;
    numBooks++;
}
public int getStudentID()
{
    return this.studentID;
}
public String getStudentName()
{
    return this.studentName;
}
}

```

When creating objects, encapsulation is an important design consideration.

- c. Outline, with direct reference to the ***Student*** class, how security can be enhanced by using encapsulation. [3]

To use the ***Student*** class in a program an object has to be created or instantiated.

- d. Construct a statement to create a ***Student*** object for a student with an ID of 93003 and a name of "Smith". [2]

The basic ***Loan*** class is shown below. Every time a book is borrowed, an instance of the Loan class is created. In the ***Student*** class, the books borrowed by a single student are stored in an array called ***booksBorrowed***.

```

import java.util.*;
public class Loan
{

```

```
private int bookID;
private String bookTitle;
private Date d;
static int numBooksLoaned = 0;
public Loan (int bookID, String bookTitle)
{
    this.bookID = bookID;
    this.bookTitle = bookTitle;
    this.d = new Date(); //set date borrowed
    numBooksLoaned = numBooksLoaned +1;
}
public int getBookID()
{
    return this.bookID;
}
public String getBookTitle()
{
    return this.bookTitle;
}
public Date getDate()
{
    return this.d;
}
public void setBookID(int id)
{
    this.bookID = id;
}
public void setBookTitle(String title)
{
    this.bookTitle = title;
}
public void setDate(Date d)
{
```

```

        this.d = d;
    }
}

```

Note the use of the keyword **static** in the statement **static int numBooksLoaned = 0** and that this term is not used in the other variable declarations.

e. Explain the use of the term **static** for the variable **numBooksLoaned** in the **Loan** class.

[3]

f. Construct the code needed to add a loan with a book ID of 212000 and a book title of "The Stars" to a **Student** object, **ST**.

[3]

2. In order to store each **Student** object the team has decided to use the **borrowers** array of type **Student**. The team has also decided to use the student's ID as the index into the array. For example, a **Student** object with a student ID of 1111 would have its reference stored in position 1111 of the array.

Consider the code fragment below which would appear in a suitably constructed main class.

```

public static void main(String[] args)
{
    Student temp;
    Student[] borrowers = new Student[100000];
    temp = new Student(93001, "Jones");
    temp.addLoan(new Loan(210001, "The Sky"));
    borrowers[93001] = temp;
    temp = new Student(3012, "Zang");
    temp.addLoan(new Loan(210121, "The Animals"));
    borrowers[3012] = temp;
    borrowers[93001].addLoan(new Loan(210002, "The Spooks"));
    temp = new Student(93002, "Nguyen");
    temp.addLoan(new Loan(210011, "The Ocean"));
    borrowers[93002] = temp;
    System.out.println(borrowers[93001].getStudentName());
    System.out.println(borrowers[93001].getLoan(1).getBookTitle());
}

```

```
System.out.println(borrowers[3012].getLoan(0).getBookTitle());  
}
```

- a. Determine the output from the following statements.
  - i. `System.out.println(borrowers[93001].getStudentName());` [1]
  - ii. `System.out.println(borrowers[93001].getLoan(1).getBookTitle());` [1]
  - iii. `System.out.println(borrowers[3012].getLoan(0).getBookTitle());` [1]

The librarian requires a display of the student name, the titles of the books and the dates that they were borrowed, corresponding to a specific student ID.

- b. Construct the method `showDetails()` that could be used in the `main` class, which accepts a student ID as a parameter, and then uses this to access the appropriate `Student` object producing the desired output as indicated above. [7]
  - c. State three aspects of the user requirements that are not addressed by the current design. [3]
  - d. Describe a modification to the `Student` class that would address one of the missing requirements. [2]
3. The team has decided to use inheritance in its design.
- a. Describe one benefit that inheritance brings to OOP. [2]

Two sub-classes will be created: `shortTerm` and `longTerm`.

- b. State two additional attributes that each `shortTerm` object should have. [2]
- c. Construct a suitable UML diagram showing the relationships between the `Student` class, the `Loan` superclass and the two sub-classes. Note: there is no need to include the attributes or methods of each class. [4]
- d. Outline, using an OOP technique, how the total number of books on loan could be displayed without processing the `borrowers` array. [3]