

6-A-Day – Computer Science GCSE (p2.9-2016)

| | |
|----|---|
| Q1 | <p>A library gives each book a code made from the first three letters of the book title in upper case, followed by the last two digits of the year the book was published.</p> <p>For example, "Poetry from the War", published in 2012 would be given the code <code>POE12</code>.</p> <p>(ii) Use pseudocode to write an algorithm that does the following :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inputs the title and year of a book from the user. • Uses the <code>librarycode</code> function above to work out the book code. • Permanently stores the new book code to the text file <code>bookcodes.txt</code> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: right;">..... [6]</p> |
| Q2 | <p>Functions and procedures are both examples of sub programs.</p> <p>(i) Describe one difference between a function and a procedure.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: right;">..... [2]</p> |
| Q3 | <p>Describe two benefits to a programmer of using sub programs.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p style="text-align: right;">..... [4]</p> |

The questions on this worksheet have been taken from the 2018 OCR GCSE Computer Science Paper 2

Q4

The library sorts their books based on the book code.

- (i) Show the steps that a merge sort would take to put the following list of book codes into ascending alphabetical order (from A to Z).

POE12 , BAC97 , FLY77 , JAV16 , TAL86 , AND18 , ZAR09 , HOP86

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

[4]

Q5

Explain **one** advantage of a merge sort compared to a bubble sort.

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

[2]

Q6

Convert the denary number **132** into an 8 bit binary number.

.....
.....
.....
.....

[2]