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INFORMATION AND COMPUTER STUDIES 2

(For Both School and Private Candidates)

Time: 3 Hours

ANSWERS

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Instructions

1. This paper consists of three questions
2. Answer two questions.

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1. The value of x in quadratic equations can be obtained by using the general formula:

Solution:

(a) Draw a flow chart to represent the design of the program.

Explanation: A flowchart for solving a quadratic equation involves the following steps:

- i. Start.
- ii. Input the coefficients a, b, and c.
- iii. Calculate the discriminant, $D = b^2 - 4ac$.
- iv. Check if D is negative. If yes, print "No real roots" and stop.
- v. If D is zero, calculate $x = -b / (2a)$ and print the root.
- vi. If D is positive, calculate the roots $x_1 = (-b + \sqrt{D}) / (2a)$ and $x_2 = (-b - \sqrt{D}) / (2a)$, and print them.
- vii. End.

(b) Using BASIC language, write a program which will implement the drawn flowchart to solve the quadratic equation.

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10 INPUT "Enter the value of a: ", A
20 INPUT "Enter the value of b: ", B
30 INPUT "Enter the value of c: ", C
40 LET D = B^2 - 4 * A * C
50 IF D < 0 THEN PRINT "No real roots": END
60 IF D = 0 THEN
70   LET X = -B / (2 * A)
80   PRINT "The root is: "; X
90   END
100 LET X1 = (-B + SQR(D)) / (2 * A)
110 LET X2 = (-B - SQR(D)) / (2 * A)
120 PRINT "The roots are: "; X1; " and "; X2
130 END
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2. The following is the inventory data in Tsh:

Solution:

Write a BASIC program to read and calculate the values (XX) and the total value (TXX).

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10 DIM PN$(4), DESC$(4)
20 DIM UPRICE(4), QTY(4), VALUE(4)
30 FOR I = 1 TO 4
40   INPUT "Enter Part Number: ", PN$(I)
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50 INPUT "Enter Description: ", DESC$(I)
60 INPUT "Enter Unit Price: ", UPRICE(I)
70 INPUT "Enter Quantity: ", QTY(I)
80 LET VALUE(I) = UPRICE(I) * QTY(I)
90 NEXT I
100 LET TXX = 0
110 FOR I = 1 TO 4
120 PRINT "Part Number: "; PN$(I); " Description: "; DESC$(I); " Unit Price: "; UPRICE(I); " Quantity: "; QTY(I); " Value: "; VALUE(I)
130 LET TXX = TXX + VALUE(I)
140 NEXT I
150 PRINT "Total Value: "; TXX
160 END

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3. Write a BASIC program to handle 4 types of conversions:

Solution:

- (a) Kilometers to miles
- (b) Miles to kilometers
- (c) Celsius to Fahrenheit
- (d) Fahrenheit to Celsius

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10 PRINT "Conversion Menu:"
20 PRINT "1. Kilometers to Miles"
30 PRINT "2. Miles to Kilometers"
40 PRINT "3. Celsius to Fahrenheit"
50 PRINT "4. Fahrenheit to Celsius"
60 INPUT "Choose an option (1-4): ", OPTION
70 IF OPTION = 1 THEN
80 INPUT "Enter kilometers: ", KM
90 LET MILES = KM * 0.621371
100 PRINT "Miles: "; MILES
110 END
120 IF OPTION = 2 THEN
130 INPUT "Enter miles: ", MILES
140 LET KM = MILES / 0.621371
150 PRINT "Kilometers: "; KM
160 END
170 IF OPTION = 3 THEN
180 INPUT "Enter Celsius: ", C
190 LET F = (C * 9 / 5) + 32
200 PRINT "Fahrenheit: "; F

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210  END
220 IF OPTION = 4 THEN
230  INPUT "Enter Fahrenheit: ", F
240  LET C = (F - 32) * 5 / 9
250  PRINT "Celsius: "; C
260  END
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