**Assessment answers**

 Task .

The partial program below creates a list of the days of the week and assigns it to days.

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| 123 | days = ["Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday",  "Thursday", "Friday", "Saturday", "Sunday"] |

**Question 1:** If the lines below were added to the program, what would the program output be?

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| 45 | item = days[3]print(item) |

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| **Answer** | Thursday |

**Question 2:** If the lines below were added to the program, what would the program output be?

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| 456 | index = 1item = days[index+1]print(index, item) |

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| **Answer** | 1 Wednesday |

**Teacher note:** The value of index is also printed to make sure the learners don’t think that index has not been incremented.

**Question 3: Fill in the gaps** in the code below, so that the items in the list of days are displayed on the screen:

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| 45 | for day in days : print( day ) |

 Task .

Read the program below:

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| 123456789 | planets = ["Mercury", "Venus", "Earth", "Mars", "Jupiter", "Saturn", "Uranus", "Neptune"]index = int(input())planet = planets[index]if index < 3:  print("It’s a rocky planet")elif planet[1] in [‘a’, ‘e’]: print("The second letter is", planet[1]) |

**Question 1:** If the user types 1 on the keyboard, what will be the output of this program when it is executed?

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| **Answer** | It’s a rocky planet |

**Teacher note:** The objective is not to assess knowledge of zero-based indices again. The answer will be the same regardless of whether the learner thinks that the planet is Mercury or Venus.

**Question 2:** If the user types 3 on the keyboard, what will be the output of this program when it is executed?

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| **Answer** | The second letter is a |

**Teacher note:** The objective is not to assess knowledge of zero-based indices again. The answer will be the same regardless of whether the learner thinks that the planet is Earth or Mars.

**Question 3:** Suppose that the elif in line 8 is **modified** to an if. If the user types 1 on the keyboard, what will be the output of this program when it is executed?

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| **Answer** | It’s a rocky planetThe second letter is e |

**Question 4:** The ‘rocky planets’ are the first four planets of the solar system. How would you modify the program so that all planets are correctly classified (i.e. the message “It’s a rocky planet” is displayed for all four of them).

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| **Answer** | Change the condition in line 6 to index < 4 or index <= 3. |

 Task .

Read the program below and answer the questions. You can use the reference table at the bottom of the page to see how the index method works.

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| 1234 | alphabet = 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'letter = 'c'position = alphabet.index(letter)print(position) |

**Question:** What will be the output of this program?

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| * 1. 2
	2. 3
	3. d
	4. ‘c’ + 1
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| **Answer** | A |

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**Question:** The program below is an **extension** of the previous one. **Fill in the gaps**, so that the program prompts the user to enter a word and then iterates over each letter in the word to display its position in the alphabet.

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| 123456 | alphabet = 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'print("Enter a word:") word = input() for letter in word : position = alphabet.index(letter) print(position) |

**Reference table**

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|  | string.index(substring)e.g. word.index("intro")e.g. name.index("A") | Search in a string for the first occurrence of a substring and return its (zero-based) index.  |

 Task .

The program below converts a binary number to its decimal equivalent. The questions that follow **do not require you to understand how it works**.

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| 12345678 | binary = input()decimal = 0weight = 1for digit in reversed(binary): if digit == '1': decimal = decimal + weight weight = 2 \* weightprint(binary, "=", decimal) |

**Question 1:** Locate all the variables in the program.

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| **Variables** | binary, decimal, weight, digit |

**Question 2:** Locate the line of code where program execution is suspended until the user enters a value on the keyboard.

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| **Line** | 1 (due to input) |

**Question 3:** Locate the line of code that contains a condition (a logical expression).

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| **Line** | 5 (the condition is: digit == ‘1’) |

**Question 4:** Locate the line of code that doubles the value of a variable.

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| **Line** | 7 (the assignment is weight = 2 \* weight) |

**Question 5:** Locate the lines of code that may be executed more than once.

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| **Lines** | 5 to 7 (they are included in a for-loop) |

**Question 6:** Locate the line of code that may never be executed.

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| **Line** | 6 (it lies within an if, so if the condition is never True, it will never be executed) |

 Task .

Read the program below and answer the questions. The reference table after the questions shows you how the append and pop methods work.

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| 1234567 | days = []while len(days) < 12: days.append(31) days.append(30)days[1] = 28days.pop()days.insert(7, 31) |

**Question 1:** What will be the contents of the days list, after lines 1 to 4 of the program have been executed?

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| **Answer** | [31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30]  |

**Question 2:** What will be the contents of the days list, after line 5 of the program has been executed?

Write the items of the list, or describe how the list will change with respect to your previous answer.

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| **Answer** | [31, **28**, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30]The value of the second item becomes 28. |

**Question 3:** What will be the contents of the days list, after line 6 of the program has been executed?

Write the items of the list, or describe how the list will change with respect to your previous answer.

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| **Answer** | [31, 28, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31]The last item (30) has been removed from the list. |

**Question 4:** What will be the contents of the days list, after line 7 of the program has been executed?

Write the items of the list, or describe how the list will change with respect to your previous answer.

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| **Answer** | [31, 28, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, **31**, 30, 31, 30, 31]A new item (31) has been inserted as the 8th item in the list (with index 7). |

**Teacher note:** The objective is to assess understanding of the insert method, not to assess knowledge of zero-based indices again. The answer will be the same regardless of whether the learner inserts at position 7 or 8.

**Reference table**

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|  | list.append(item)e.g. numbers.append(42) | Add an item to the end of the list |
|  | list.insert(index, item)e.g. cities.insert(2, "Oslo") | Insert an item at a given position |

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