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KIRIRI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
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THIRD YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE BACHELOR OF BUSINESS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
KBI 2303 – SPECIALIZED PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Date: 06TH December 2023

Time: 11:30AM – 1:30PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following data types as they are used in programming:
- i) Computer Interface (2 Marks)
 - ii) Programming language (2 Marks)
 - iii) encapsulations (2 Marks)
- b) Distinguish between class and objects. (4 Marks)
- c) Describe four different types of computing environments. (8 Marks)
- d) Describe the main drawbacks of machine language as it is used in programming. (6 Marks)
- e) Discuss the SIX primary benefits of high-level languages. (6 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the THREE types of language translators. (6 Marks)
- b) Compare interpreters and compilers. (6 Marks)
- c) Define algorithm (4 Marks)
- d) Highlight four characteristics of a good algorithm. (4 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between the While and the Do While loops, giving the general syntax. (4 Marks)
- b) Write a C program using the while loop that displays numbers 1 to 10 on the screen. (6 Marks)
- c) Highlight four disadvantages of low level programming language. (4 Marks)
- d) Highlight the main features of modular programming highlighting its key advantages. (6 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the term arrays and highlight its main characteristics. (4 Marks)
- b) C is both 'portable' and 'efficient'. Explain. (6 Marks)
- c) Draw a flowchart for a program that calculates the area and the perimeter of a circle then displays results on the screen. (4 Marks)
- d) Write the code for the above program (c). (6 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Draw a flowchart for a program that will output the words adult, teen or child based on the age. If age is below 13 years, **child**, age is between 13 and 19, **teen** else **adult**. (6 Marks)
- b) State any FOUR examples of syntax errors. (4 Marks)
- c) Draw a flow and Write code for a program that computes the number of seconds in a year. (6 Marks)
- d) Write a C program code for the above program (c). (4 Marks)