

1 A program sorts string data using different sorting methods.

- (a) The text file `Data.txt` stores string data items. Each data item is on a new line in the text file.

The function `ReadData()`:

- has a local array of strings that can store 45 items
- reads each line of data and stores it in the array
- returns the array.

Write program code for the function `ReadData()`.

Save your program as **Question1_N24**.

Copy and paste the program code into part **1(a)** in the evidence document.

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- (b) The function `FormatArray()` takes an array of strings as a parameter. It concatenates the contents of the array into one string with a space between each array element. The function returns the concatenated string.

(i) Write program code for `FormatArray()`.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the program code into part **1(b)(i)** in the evidence document.

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(ii) The main program:

- calls `ReadData()` and stores the returned array
- calls `FormatArray()` with the returned array and outputs the returned string.

Write program code for the main program.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the program code into part **1(b)(ii)** in the evidence document.

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(iii) Test your program.

Take a screenshot of the output.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the screenshot into part **1(b)(iii)** in the evidence document.

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(c) The function `CompareStrings()`:

- takes two strings as parameters
- compares each string, one character at a time, to identify which string comes first alphabetically. If the first two characters are the same, the second character of each string is compared. This continues until the two characters are different.

The function:

- returns 1 if the first parameter comes before the second alphabetically
- returns 2 if the second parameter comes before the first alphabetically.

Write program code for `CompareStrings()`.

Assume that all strings are in lower case.

Assume that a difference between two strings will always be identified before the end of one string is reached.

Do **not** use an in-built string comparison function.

The strings must be compared one character at a time.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the program code into part **1(c)** in the evidence document.

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- (d) The function `Bubble()` takes an array of strings as a parameter and sorts the data into ascending alphabetical order, using a bubble sort. The bubble sort uses `CompareStrings()` to compare each string.

The function returns the sorted list.

(i) Write program code for `Bubble()`.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the program code into part **1(d)(i)** in the evidence document.

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(ii) Write program code to amend the main program to:

- call `Bubble()` with the unsorted array as a parameter
- call `FormatArray()` with the sorted array and output the returned string.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the program code into part **1(d)(ii)** in the evidence document.

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(iii) Test your program.

Take a screenshot of the output.

Save your program.

Copy and paste the screenshot into part **1(d)(iii)** in the evidence document.

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