

# Outline of Test-B (Chapters 1-6)

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## I. SCOPE

The test aims at testing your understanding of the following topics:

- **Object-Based Concepts**  
Attributes and methods; static vs. non-static; API; field usage; `final` fields; method signature and overloading; method invocation and return; constructors and the role of `new`; memory diagrams; object vs. object reference; etc.
- **Program Development & Java**  
The development cycle; VM, bytecode, and compilation; syntax, runtime and logic errors; statement syntax; declaration; I/O via the `type.lang` package; primitive types; expression evaluation; automatic vs. manual casts; assignment, relational, and boolean operators; selection; iteration; etc.
- **Using a standard or a given API**  
Accessing fields and invoking methods; static versus not-static; declaring local variables and constants; carrying out assignments; I/O; input validation; output formatting; appropriate usage of selection and looping constructs; operators; etc.

## II. FORMAT

The test achieves its objectives through two groups of questions of weights ~40% (for A) and ~60% (for B):

- A. Multiple-choice or tracing questions in which given a Java program or a fragment thereof, you are asked to identify syntax / logic errors, describe what the fragment is doing (its functionality), and/or state the fragment's output(s) given its input(s).
- B. You will be asked to write an app (or a fragment thereof) that accomplishes a stated task. If the task involves a new class, its API will be given. Otherwise you rely on your knowledge of the API of the `String` class, the `Math` class, or the classes in `type.lang`.

**Note:**

*You are assumed to have memorized the names of the primitive types; the arithmetic, relational, and boolean operators; the assignment algorithm; and the main features of the API of the classes: `type.lang.IO`, `type.lang.SE`, `java.lang.Math`, and `java.lang.String`. Nevertheless, the following sheet will be provided:*

## Data Sheet for Test-B

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<b>String Methods</b> (invoke on a string s)	char <b>charAt(int p)</b> Returns the character at position# p in s.
boolean <b>equals(String t)</b> Returns <i>true</i> if s and t have equal contents.	int <b>compareTo(String t)</b> Returns a negative number if s<t, zero if s=t, and a positive number if s>t.
int <b>indexOf(String t, int f)</b> Looks for the string t within s, starting at position# f in s. Returns the position in s where the match was found. Returns -1 if no match was found.	Integer. <b>parseInt(s)</b> Double. <b>parseDouble(s)</b> Static methods to convert a string s that contains a number to a primitive type.
int <b>indexOf(String t)</b> Looks for the string t within s (as above), starting at the beginning of s.	String <b>trim()</b> Returns the same content as s but with any leading/trailing white-space removed.
String <b>substring(int f, int t)</b> Returns all characters in s with position numbers $\geq f$ and $< t$ .	<b>Static methods in Math</b>
String <b>substring(int f)</b> Returns a substring of s that begins at f and extends to the end of s.	double <b>abs(double x)</b> Returns the absolute value of x.
String <b>replace(char x, char y)</b> Returns a string with all occurrences of character x in s replaced by y.	double <b>pow(double x, double y)</b> Returns x raised to y.
String <b>toUpperCase/LowerCase()</b> Returns a string of all characters in s converted to upper / lower case.	double <b>rint(double a)</b> Returns the closest double value to a that is equal to a mathematical integer.