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QUESTION 1		MAX MARK	MARKS ACHIEVED
1.1	BUTTON: [Q1.1 – Sun shape] Create a TShape object dynamically ✓ Set Parent to pnlOutput ✓ Set Shape to stCircle ✓ Set Width and Height to 50 ✓ Set Brush.Color to clYellow ✓ Set Align to alClient. ✓	6	
1.2	BUTTON: [Q1.2 – Distance conversion] Read value from edtDistance and convert using StrToFloat ✓ Multiply by correct conversion factor (9.461) ✓ Store result in a suitable real variable ✓ Round to nearest trillion ✓ Output to lblQ1_2.Caption ✓ "[x] ✓ light years is approximately [y] trillion km" ✓ Correct format for both [x] and [y] ✓	8	
1.3	BUTTON: [Q1.3 – Planet code generator] Read input from edtPlanet ✓ Get length of input ✓ Initialise an empty string ✓ Loop through each character ✓ Get ASCII value using Ord ✓ <i>or alternative method</i> Test if ✓ ASCII value is odd using MOD 2 <> 0 ✓ Build ✓ result string using IntToStr ✓ Add hyphen - only between values (not at start or end) ✓ Display result in lblQ1_3.Caption ✓ Program works correctly with sample input ✓	12	
1.4	BUTTON: [Q1.4 – Habitability check] Correctly initialise and use a counter ✓ Check each checkbox and increment counter accordingly: cbxAtmosphere ✓ cbxWater ✓ cbxTemperature ✓ cbxMagnetic Field ✓ Correct condition to check if 3 or more are selected ✓ Display correct message in correct component (Habitable) ✓ Else ✓ Display correct message in correct component (Unlikely) ✓	9	
QUESTION 1 TOTAL		35	



		QUESTION 2	MAX MARK	MARKS ACHIEVED
2.1	2.1.1	Button [Q2.1.1] 'SELECT PlanetType, sum(NumMoons) AS TotalMoons FROM tblPlanets GROUP BY PlanetType ORDER BY sum(NumMoons) DESC' SELECT correct field, ✓ sum(correct field) AS correct alias name ✓ FROM correct table ✓ GROUP BY correct field ✓ ORDER BY correct field ✓ DESC ✓ *ORDER BY either version (with alias name or full expression)	6	
	2.1.2	Button [Q2.1.2] 'SELECT MissionName, LaunchYear, Success, PlanetName FROM tblPlanets, tblMissions WHERE tblPlanets.PlanetID = tblMissions.PlanetID AND PlanetType = "Gas Giant" AND Success = TRUE' SELECT correct fields ✓ FROM correct tables ✓ WHERE link between tables (tblPlanets.PlanetID ✓ = tblMissions.PlanetID ✓) AND PlanetType = "Gas Giant" ✓ AND Success = TRUE ✓ *Link between tables can also be solved using an INNER JOIN *Boolean TRUE can also be written as -1	6	
	2.1.3	Button [Q2.1.3] 'INSERT INTO tblMissions (MissionName, LaunchYear, Success, Agency, PlanetID) VALUES ("Karoo Voyager", 2025, TRUE, "SAASA", 5)' INSERT INTO correct table ✓ (correct field names) ✓ VALUES correct data in the correct data type: strings bracketed by " " ✓ Boolean and integer not bracketed by " " ✓ *Boolean TRUE can also be written as -1	4	

	2.1.4	Button [Q2.1.4] 'UPDATE tblMissions SET Agency = "SpaceX", Success = TRUE, LaunchYear = ' + sYear + ' ' + WHERE PlanetID = 8 AND Agency = "NASA" AND Success = FALSE ' Assign current year to sYear variable ✓ * Accept: sYear := Copy(DateToStr(Now), 1, 4) or FormatDateTime('yyyy', Now) UPDATE correct table ✓ SET correct fields ✓ Use of Dynamic variable sYear ✓ WHERE correct fields and data ✓ separated by AND ✓ *Boolean FALSE can also be written as 0	6	
	2.1.5	Button [Q2.1.5] 'SELECT Agency, count(*) AS TotalSuccess FROM tblMissions WHERE Success = TRUE GROUP BY Agency HAVING count(*) >= 3' SELECT correct field, ✓ count(correct field) AS correct alias name ✓ FROM correct table ✓ WHERE correct field = TRUE ✓ GROUP BY correct field ✓ HAVING count(*) >= 3 ✓ *HAVING either version (with alias name or full expression)	6	
2.2	2.2.1	Button [Q2.2.1] Add the following to the rich edit Number of planets + tblPlanets.RecordCount ✓ Number of missions + tblMissions.RecordCount ✓ *Can be solved with a loop and manually assigned counters	2	
	2.2.2	Button [Q2.2.2] Retrieve selected planet name from combo box cmbPlanets ✓ Loop through tblPlanets to find a match with selected planet name ✓ Extract PlanetID from the matching record ✓ Loop through tblMissions ✓ using PlanetID and Success = True ✓ Output the planet name as heading using bold formatting ✓ Check if any matching records are found ✓ If not, display message "No successful missions to [PlanetName]" ✓ If yes, loop through missions ✓ Display mission in format: MissionName (Agency, LaunchYear) ✓	10	
		QUESTION 2 TOTAL	40	



		QUESTION 3	MAX MARK	MARKS ACHIEVED
3.1	3.1.1	Constructor Create Constructor heading with correct parameters ✓ correct data type ✓ Assign parameters to attributes ✓✓	4	
	3.1.2	Accessor Method – getDistance Function heading with String value as return data type ✓ Return the correct message ✓ and conversion of fDistance ✓	3	
	3.1.3	Mutator Method – setMoons Procedure heading with Integer parameter value ✓ Add the parameter value to fMoons ✓	2	
	3.1.4	Auxiliary Method - calcDensity Function heading with Real value as return data type ✓ <i>Suggested solution</i> Radius = fDiameter ÷ 2 ✓ Volume = (4 ÷ 3) ✓ x Pi ✓ x Power(Radius, 3) ✓ Return ✓ (fMass * Power(10,24)) ✓ ÷ Volume *Any solution that correctly returns the density	7	
	3.1.5	Accessor Method – hasRings Function heading with Boolean value as return data type ✓ Return fRings ✓	2	
	3.1.6	ToString Method Function heading with String value as return data type ✓ Build a string with correct labels, attributes, tab spacing ✓ Return the String ✓	3	
		Subtotal: Object class	[21]	

3.2	3.2.1	Button [3.2.1 - Instantiate Planet Object] Extract the planet name from the radio group <code>rgpPlanets</code> . ✓ Assign File ✓ Test to see if the text file exists. ✓ If the text file cannot be found, display a suitable message ✓ and Close the application. ✓ Loop through the text file ✓ ○ Read line ✓ ○ Use string handling to separate data ✓✓ ○ Search for the correct planet. ✓ ○ If the planet is found, extract all the required values for the planet ✓ ○ Instantiate the new Planet object. ○ <code>objPlanet</code> ✓ := <code>TPlanet.Create</code> (correct parameters) ✓ If the planet is not found, display a suitable message. ✓ Display a message to the user that the Planet has been created. Planet instantiated ✓	15	
	3.2.2	Button [3.2.2 – Update number of moons] Use setMoons method with spin edit value to set attribute ✓	1	
	3.2.3	Button [3.2.3 – Display] Determine if planet has moons using hasRings ✓ True = Yes ✓ False = No ✓ <i>Display the following information in the rich edit</i> Display object using toString method ✓ Display Distance using getDistance method ✓ Display correct output of Rings (Yes/No) ✓ Display Density formatted correctly ✓ using calcDensity method ✓	8	
			[24]	
		QUESTION 3 TOTAL	45	

QUESTION 4		MAX MARK	MARKS ACHIEVED
4.1	Button [4.1 – Display Grid] Add spacing before heading row (e.g. ' ' or similar) ✓ Create column heading row with numbers 1 to 8 ✓ Add heading to rich edit ✓ Loop through 1 to 8 for each row ✓ Add row number at the start of each line ✓ Loop through each column within the row ✓ Concatenate cell content to the string correctly ✓ Add each row string to the rich edit ✓	8	
4.2	Button [4.2 – Route] Retrieve the selected column number from sedColumn ✓ Initialise a boolean variable e.g. bClear to True ✓ Loop through each row of the selected column ✓ Correct check for an asterisk (*) in the column ✓ Set bClear to False if any asterisk is found ✓ Correct conditional logic to determine final message ✓ Output correct message using rich edit ✓ <i>Alternative Solution</i> Instead of making use of a Boolean variable, asterisks are counted. If 0, then clear else not clear. Follow same mark allocation as above.	7	
4.3	Button [4.3 – Safest Planet] Initialise max distance (iMaxDist) to an appropriate starting value ✓ Loop through 1 to 8 for each row ✓ <i>Outer loop</i> Loop through each column within the row ✓ <i>Outer loop</i> Correctly identify a planet using if ar2Solar[row,col] in ['Y','V','E','M','J','S','U','N'] ✓ Initialise minimum distance (iMinDist) to a large value ✓ Loop through 1 to 8 for each row ✓ <i>Inner loop</i> Loop through each column within the row ✓ <i>Inner loop</i> Check every cell for asteroids ✓ Correct the calculation of distance using Abs(iRow - r) + Abs(iCol - c) ✓✓ Update iMinDist if current distance is smaller ✓ After checking all asteroids, compare iMinDist with iMaxDist ✓ Update iMaxDist, iBestRow, and iBestCol if this planet is currently the safest ✓ Output planet name using arrPlanets[Pos(...)] logic ✓ Output row, column, and closest asteroid distance to rich edit ✓	15	
QUESTION 4 TOTAL		30	

SAMPLE SOLUTIONS**QUESTION 1**

////////// 35 Marks //////////

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// =====
//                               Question 1.1 - 6 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion1.btnQ1_1Click(Sender: TObject);
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  shpBall := TShape.Create(pnlOutput);
  with shpBall do
    begin
      Parent := pnlOutput;
      Shape := stCircle;
      Width := 50;
      Height := 50;
      Brush.Color := clYellow;
      Align := alClient;
    end;
end;
```

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// =====
//                               Question 1.2 - 8 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion1.btnQ1_2Click(Sender: TObject);
var
  rLightYears, rTrillionKM : Real;
  iRounded : Integer;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  rLightYears := StrToFloat(edtDistance.Text);
  rTrillionKM := rLightYears * 9.461;
  iRounded := Round(rTrillionKM);
  lbl1_2.Caption := FloatToStrF(rLightYears, ffFixed, 6, 0) +
    ' light years is approximately ' +
    IntToStr(iRounded) + ' trillion kilometers.';
end;
```



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// =====
//                                     Question 1.3 - 12 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion1.btnQ1_3Click(Sender: TObject);
var
  sPlanet, sCode : String;
  K, iASCII : Integer;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  sPlanet := edtPlanet.Text;
  sCode := "";

  for K := 1 to Length(sPlanet) do
  begin
    iASCII := Ord(sPlanet[K]);
    if iASCII mod 2 <> 0 then
    begin
      if sCode <> " then
        sCode := sCode + '-';
      sCode := sCode + IntToStr(iASCII);
    end;
  end;

  lblQ1_3.Caption := sCode;
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 1.4 - 9 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion1.btnQ1_4Click(Sender: TObject);
var
  iCount: Integer;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  iCount := 0;

  if cbxAtmosphere.Checked then Inc(iCount);
  if cbxWater.Checked then Inc(iCount);
  if cbxTemperature.Checked then Inc(iCount);
  if cbxMagneticField.Checked then Inc(iCount);

  if iCount >= 3 then
    lblQ1_4.Caption := 'This planet is potentially habitable.'
  else
    lblQ1_4.Caption := 'This planet is unlikely to be habitable.';
end;
```

QUESTION 2

////////// 40 marks //////////

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// =====
//                                     Question 2.1.1 - 6 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_1_1Click(Sender: TObject);
// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
var
    sSQL1: String;
begin
    /// Enter your code below ///
    sSQL1 := 'SELECT PlanetType, sum(NumMoons) AS TotalMoons ' +
        'FROM tblPlanets ' +
        'GROUP BY PlanetType ' +
        'ORDER BY sum(NumMoons) DESC';

    // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
    dbCONN.runSQL(sSQL1);
    if length(sSQL1) <> 0 then
        SetGridColumnWidths(dbgSQL);
end;

// =====
//                                     Question 2.1.2 - 6 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_1_2Click(Sender: TObject);
// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
var
    sSQL2: String;
begin
    /// Enter your code below ///
    sSQL2 := 'SELECT MissionName, LaunchYear, Success, PlanetName ' +
        'FROM tblPlanets, tblMissions ' +
        'WHERE tblPlanets.PlanetID = tblMissions.PlanetID AND ' +
        'PlanetType = "Gas Giant" AND Success = TRUE';

    // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
    dbCONN.runSQL(sSQL2);
    if length(sSQL2) <> 0 then
        SetGridColumnWidths(dbgSQL);
end;
```



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// =====
//                                     Question 2.1.3 - 4 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_1_3Click(Sender: TObject);
// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
var
  sSQL3 : String;
  sLine : String;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  sSQL3 := 'INSERT INTO tblMissions ' +
    '(MissionName, LaunchYear, Success, Agency, PlanetID) ' +
    'VALUES ("Karoo Voyager", 2025, TRUE, "SAASA", 5);

  // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
  dbCONN.executeSQL(sSQL3,dbgPlanets,dbgMissions,dbgSQL);
  if length(sSQL3) <> 0 then
    SetGridColumnWidths(dbgSQL);
end;

// =====
//                                     Question 2.1.4 - 6 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_1_4Click(Sender: TObject);
// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
var
  sSQL4: String;
  sYear: String;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  sYear := copy(DateToStr(now()),1,4);
  sSQL4 := 'UPDATE tblMissions ' +
    'SET Agency = "SpaceX", Success = TRUE, LaunchYear = ' + sYear + ' ' +
    'WHERE PlanetID = 8 AND Agency = "NASA" AND Success = FALSE ' ;

  // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
  dbCONN.executeSQL(sSQL4,dbgPlanets,dbgMissions,dbgSQL);
  if length(sSQL4) <> 0 then
    SetGridColumnWidths(dbgSQL);
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 2.1.5 - 6 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_1_5Click(Sender: TObject);
// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
var
    sSQL5: String;
begin
    /// Enter your code below ///
    sSQL5 := 'SELECT Agency, count(*) AS TotalSuccess ' +
        'FROM tblMissions ' +
        'WHERE Success = TRUE ' +
        'GROUP BY Agency ' +
        'HAVING count(*) >= 3';

    // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
    dbCONN.runSQL(sSQL5);
    if length(sSQL5) <> 0 then
        SetGridColumnWidths(dbgSQL);
end;

// =====
//                                     Question 2.2.1 - 2 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_2_1Click(Sender: TObject);
begin
    // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
    with redOutput do
        begin
            Clear;
            SelAttributes.Style := [fsBold];
            Lines.Add('Solar System');
        end;
    /// Enter your code below ///
    redOutput.Lines.add('Number of planets: ' + IntToStr(tblPlanets.RecordCount));
    redOutput.Lines.add('Number of missions: ' + IntToStr(tblMissions.RecordCount));
end;

// =====
//                                     Question 2.2.2 - 10 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion2.btn2_2_2Click(Sender: TObject);
var
    sPlanetName, sAgency, sMission: String;
    iPlanetID: Integer;
begin
    // Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
    redOutput.Clear;
    if cmbPlanets.ItemIndex = -1 then
        begin
            dbCONN.ErrorMessage('Please select a planet');
            Exit;
        end;
end;
```



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with tblPlanets do
begin
  Open;
  First;
  /// Enter your code below ///
  sPlanetName := cmbPlanets.Text;

  // Find PlanetID from tblPlanets
  while not Eof do
  begin
    if FieldByName('PlanetName').AsString = sPlanetName then
    begin
      iPlanetID := FieldByName('PlanetID').AsInteger;
      Break;
    end;
    Next;
  end;
end;

with tblMissions do
begin
  // Filter missions to successful missions for that planet
  Filtered := False;
  Filter := 'PlanetID = ' + IntToStr(iPlanetID) + ' AND Success = True';
  Filtered := True;

  redOutput.Clear;
  redOutput.SelAttributes.Style := [fsBold];
  redOutput.Lines.Add(sPlanetName);
  if RecordCount = 0 then
    redOutput.Lines.Add('No successful missions to ' + sPlanetName)
  else
  begin
    Open;
    First;
    while not Eof do
    begin
      sMission := FieldByName('MissionName').AsString;
      sAgency := FieldByName('Agency').AsString;
      redOutput.Lines.Add(sMission + ' (' + sAgency + ', ' +
        FieldByName('LaunchYear').AsString + ')');
      Next;
    end;
  end;

  Filtered := False;
end;
end;

```

QUESTION 3

//////// 45 Marks //////////

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// =====
//                                     Question 3.1.1 - 4 Marks
// =====
constructor TPlanet.Create(sName, sType: String; rDiameter, rMass, rDistance : Real;
iMoons : Integer; bRings : Boolean);
begin
  fName    := sName;
  fType    := sType;
  fDiameter := rDiameter;
  fMass     := rMass;
  fDistance := rDistance;
  fMoons    := iMoons;
  fRings    := bRings;
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 3.1.2 - 3 Marks
// =====
function TPlanet.getDistance: String;
begin
  Result := 'Distance: ' + #9 + FloatToStrF(fDistance, ffFixed, 8, 1) +
    ' million km from the Sun.';
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 3.1.3 - 2 Marks
// =====
procedure TPlanet.setMoons(iMoons : Integer);
begin
  fMoons := fMoons + iMoons;
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 3.1.4 - 7 Marks
// =====
function TPlanet.calcDensity: Real;
var
  rRadius, rVolume : Real;
begin
  rRadius := fDiameter / 2;
  rVolume := (4 / 3) * Pi * Power(rRadius, 3);
  Result := (fMass * Power(10, 24)) / rVolume;
end;
```



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// =====
//                                     Question 3.1.5 - 2 Marks
// =====
function TPlanet.hasRings: Boolean;
begin
    Result := fRings;
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 3.1.6 - 3 Marks
// =====
function TPlanet.toString: String;
begin
    Result := fName + #13#13 +
        'Type:' + #9 + fType + #13 +
        'Diameter:' + #9 + FloatToStr(fDiameter) + #13 +
        'Mass:' + #9 + FloatToStr(fMass) + #13 +
        'Moons:' + #9 + IntToStr(fMoons);
end;
```

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// =====
//                                     Question 3.2.1 - 15 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion3.btn3_2_1Click(Sender: TObject);
var
  MyFile : TextFile;
  sLine, sName : String;
  arrFields : array[1..7] of String;
  rDiameter, rMass, rDistance : Real;
  iMoons : Integer;
  bRings, bFound : Boolean;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  sName := rgpPlanets.Items.Strings[rgpPlanets.ItemIndex];

  AssignFile(MyFile, 'Planets.txt');
  try
    Reset(MyFile);
  except
    ShowMessage('FNF');
    Exit;
  end;

  bFound := False;
  while (not eof(MyFile)) AND (bFound = False) do
    begin
      ReadLn(MyFile, sLine);

      arrFields[1] := copy(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine)-1); // Name
      delete(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine));
      arrFields[2] := copy(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine)-1); // Type
      delete(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine));
      arrFields[3] := copy(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine)-1); // Diameter
      delete(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine));
      arrFields[4] := copy(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine)-1); // Mass
      delete(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine));
      arrFields[5] := copy(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine)-1); // Distance
      delete(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine));
      arrFields[6] := copy(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine)-1); // Moons
      delete(sLine, 1, Pos(',', sLine));
      arrFields[7] := sLine; // Rings

      if UpperCase(arrFields[1]) = UpperCase(sName) then
        begin
          bFound := True;
          rDiameter := StrToFloat(arrFields[3]);
          rMass := StrToFloat(arrFields[4]);
          rDistance := StrToFloat(arrFields[5]);
          iMoons := StrToInt(arrFields[6]);
          bRings := arrFields[7] = 'True';
        end
      end;
    end;
  end;
end;
```



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    objPlanet := TPlanet.Create(arrFields[1], arrFields[2], rDiameter, rMass, rDistance,
iMoons, bRings);
    end;
end;

```

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CloseFile(MyFile);
if bFound then
    ShowMessage('Planet instantiated')
else
    ShowMessage('Planet not found');

```

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// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
btn3_2_2.Enabled := True;
end;

```

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// =====
//                               Question 3.2.2 - 1 Mark
// =====

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procedure TfrmQuestion3.btn3_2_2Click(Sender: TObject);
begin
    /// Enter your code below ///
    objPlanet.setMoons(sedMoons.Value);

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// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //
btn3_2_3.Enabled := True;
end;

```

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// =====
//                               Question 3.2.3 - 8 Marks
// =====

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procedure TfrmQuestion3.btn3_2_3Click(Sender: TObject);
var
    sRings : String;
begin
    /// Enter your code below ///
    sRings := 'No';
    if objPlanet.hasRings then
        sRings := 'Yes';
    redOutput.Lines.add(objPlanet.toString + #13 +
        objPlanet.getDistance + #13 +
        'Rings: ' + #9 + sRings + #13 +
        'Density: ' + #9 + FloatToStrF(objPlanet.calcDensity,ffFixed,25,2));
end;

```

QUESTION 4

////////// 30 Marks //////////

// =====

// Question 4.1 - 8 Marks

// =====

procedure TfrmQuestion4.btn4_1Click(Sender: TObject);

var

iRow, iCol : Integer;

sLine : String;

begin

// Provided code - DO NOT DELETE OR ALTER //

redOutput.Clear;

/// Enter your code below ///

sLine := ' ';

for iCol := 1 to 8 do

sLine := sLine + ' ' + IntToStr(iCol);

redOutput.Lines.Add(sLine);

for iRow := 1 to 8 do

begin

sLine := IntToStr(iRow) + ' ';

for iCol := 1 to 8 do

begin

sLine := sLine + ' ' + ar2Solar[iRow,iCol];

end;

redOutput.Lines.add(sLine);

end;

end;

// =====

// Question 4.2 - 7 Marks

// =====

procedure TfrmQuestion4.btn4_2Click(Sender: TObject);

var

iRow, iCol : Integer;

bClear : Boolean;

sLine : String;

begin

/// Enter your code below ///

iCol := sedColumn.Value;

bClear := True;

for iRow := 1 to 8 do

if ar2Solar[iRow,iCol] = '*' then

bClear := False;

if bClear then

sLine := 'Route ' + IntToStr(iCol) + ' is clear.'

else

sLine := 'Route ' + IntToStr(iCol) + ' is not clear.';

redOutput.Lines.Add(#13 + sLine);

end;



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// =====
//                                     Question 4.3 - 15 Marks
// =====
procedure TfrmQuestion4.btn4_3Click(Sender: TObject);
var
  iRow, iCol, r, c : Integer;
  iMinDist, iDist, iMaxDist : Integer;
  iBestRow, iBestCol : Integer;
  ch : Char;
begin
  /// Enter your code below ///
  iMaxDist := -1;

  // Loop through grid to find each planet
  for iRow := 1 to 8 do
    for iCol := 1 to 8 do
      begin
        ch := ar2Solar[iRow, iCol];
        if ch in ['Y','V','E','M','J','S','U','N'] then
          begin
            iMinDist := 100; // Start with high value

            // Check distance to all asteroids
            for r := 1 to 8 do
              for c := 1 to 8 do
                if ar2Solar[r, c] = '*' then
                  begin
                    iDist := Abs(iRow - r) + Abs(iCol - c);
                    if iDist < iMinDist then
                      iMinDist := iDist;
                  end;
                end;

            // If this planet is furthest from any asteroid
            if iMinDist > iMaxDist then
              begin
                iMaxDist := iMinDist;
                iBestRow := iRow;
                iBestCol := iCol;
              end;
            end;
          end;

  // Output result
  redOutput.Lines.Add(#13 + 'The safest planet is ' + arrPlanets[
    Pos(ar2Solar[iBestRow, iBestCol], 'YVEMJSUN')] +
    ' at Row ' + IntToStr(iBestRow) +
    ', Column ' + IntToStr(iBestCol) + '.');
  redOutput.Lines.Add('Closest asteroid is ' + IntToStr(iMaxDist) + ' units away.');
```

