BTEC FirstDiploma Software Development



Assignment 1	Deadline:	Week o	f 06:11:0 6	(4 weeks)
Student Name	Date handed in:			
Grading Evidence				
It is possible to achieve credits for the following from	this assignmen	t.		
Grading Criteria		Tick	Date	Key Skill
P1. describe the software development procedures and the organisational standards	need for			C2, IT2,PS2
P2. describe one programming language				C2, IT2,PS2
M1. justify the choice of the programming language used given need	to address a			C2, IT2,PS2
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Assignment Brief

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Assignment 1: The Software Development Process

This assignment is concerned with the software development process.

P1: describe the software development procedure and the need for organisational standards

a. Produce a 4-page booklet describing each step in the software development process. Each page should cover two of the steps listed below. You can add small pictures to enhance your work if you wish to.

(The steps to cover are 1. user need and problem requirements (input, output, data structures, processes); 2. investigation; 3. design; 4. preparation e.g. taking backups; 5. creation of software components; 6. testing; 7. documentation; 8. maintenance.)

b. Explain the need for organisational standards.

(You should mention document and design standards. You should also mention coding standards such as naming conventions for variables, use of procedures and functions, indentation and coding annotations.)

P2: describe one programming language

- c. Describe the VB programming language and the types of applications you can develop with it.
- d. Describe using simple examples, sequence, selection and iteration statements. Explain how these constructs help create structured programming.
- e. Describe using a simple example, data structures such as arrays.

M1: justify the choice of the programming language used to address a given need

f. Explain why Visual Basic is an appropriate choice of programming language for the 'Seed Calculation' program.

(You will need to read the **scenario** document to answer this question, which you will find on the Assignments web page.)

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