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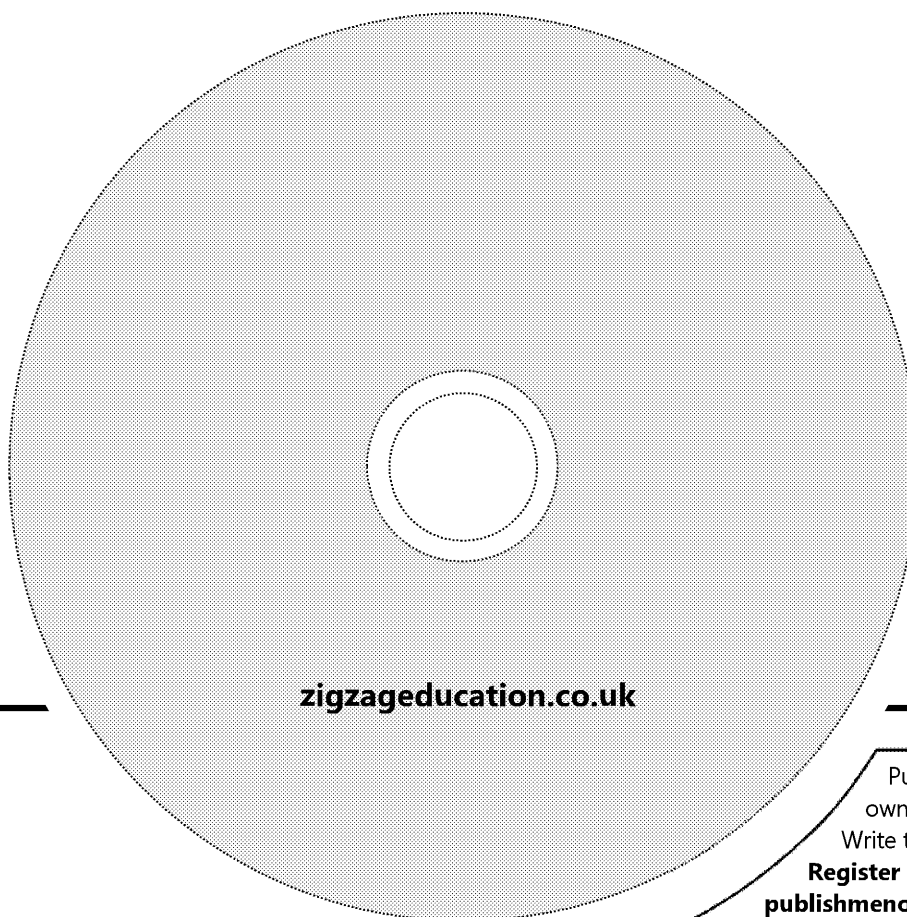
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Teacher's Introduction

This resource pack is designed to help you support your students taking the **A Level Computer Science Paper 1** examination. It is based on the 'Words with AQA' preliminary material (Python3) – for examination June 2018.



New Format: The biggest improvement in this 2018 resource pack sees all content provided electronically* for the first time. On the CD, you will find the following files.

WordsWithAQA	for student use – this folder contains all of the content, accessible via a HTML interface
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Passwords.txt	for teacher use – this file contains all of the passwords for the protected PDFs (also listed below)

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Installation: Copy the entire WordsWithAQA folder onto a network location that is accessible for students, and provide them with a shortcut to the index.html file. All content can be accessed from this page.

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The resource pack consists of the following:

① **Pre-release Commentary**, consisting of two parts:

- A general walkthrough of the skeleton program; a written description, flowchart and an animated PowerPoint giving a visual demonstration of the game. It is non-technical in the sense that it doesn't reference or explain any actual code elements – only how the program works when it is run.
- A detailed, technical overview of the skeleton program, describing how all Python subroutines, classes and variables work, including the relationship between them.

Note: although this section is intended to give extra support to teachers and students, it should in no way be seen as a substitute to a student exploring the code for themselves. For this reason, this content has been placed on the 'Answers & Solutions' HTML page as a password-protected file, to allow you to control if/when students access it.

② **Structure Diagram Activities**

Three partially complete structure diagram activities for students to complete while getting to grips with the skeleton program. Any missing identifiers, data types, return values, directional arrows, etc. must be added to the diagram. Solutions are provided on the *Answers & Solutions* page as a protected PDF.

③ **Written Questions**

Theory questions testing students' understanding of the 'Words with AQA' code, like Section C in the exam. These questions require access to the skeleton code, but no modifications need to be made to the program. Write-on (with answer lines) and non-write-on version are available format. Solutions are provided on the *Answers & Solutions* page as a protected PDF.

④ **Programming Tasks**

Fifteen modification exercises put students' programming skills to the test, like Section D in the exam. Solutions are provided on the *Answers & Solutions* page as a protected PDF. Note that these are example solutions and you must use your discretion to award marks accordingly where there are valid alternative solutions.

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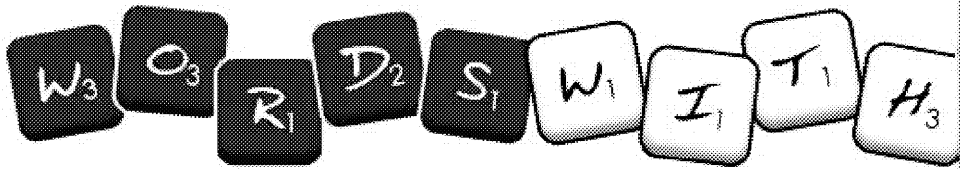
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Introduction

Words with AQA is a game in which two human players take turns to make words from tiles that have been dealt to them.

When the game begins, a queue of tiles is created, in which 20 tiles are generated and then removed from the front of the queue and, once removed, are replaced by an identical tile from the queue. The tile queue can be replenished any number of times, so the same tiles can be used multiple times.

When the game begins, Player One and Player Two are each assigned 15 tiles taken from the queue and their scores are set to 50. An array is also assembled from a text file, which contains a list of words that are allowed to be played. The players then take turns, with each turn following this format:

1. The player attempts to play a word using their tiles (each tile can only be used once). If the word 'HAMMER' were to be attempted, the player would need two 'M' tiles.

Each letter tile has an integer value, which determines the score, so the word 'HAMMER' would be worth 11 points.

A ₁	B ₂	C ₂	D ₂	E ₁	F ₃	G ₂	H ₃	I ₁
N ₁	O ₁	P ₃	Q ₃	R ₁	S ₁	T ₁	U ₂	V ₃

2. After a word is played, the program checks that it exists in the array of allowed words. This depends on whether the word is allowed.
 - a. If the word is allowed, that word's score is calculated using the tile values. If the word is seven characters long, 5 bonus points are awarded. If the word is eight characters long, 10 bonus points are awarded. They may then choose how many new tiles they wish to draw from the queue, with the following options:
 - three tiles
 - a number of tiles equal to the length of the played word (so four tiles for 'HAMMER')
 - a number of tiles equal to the length of the word plus three (so seven tiles for 'HAMMER')
 - no tiles
 - b. If the word is not allowed (is not in the array), the player's turn is over, and they are not permitted to attempt a second word. They are then given three seconds to draw new tiles from the queue.

The game continues until either player has played a total of more than 50 tiles or until no more tiles are left in the queue. If these conditions are met after Player One's turn, Player Two's turn is next. If the game ends after Player Two's turn, Player One's turn is next.

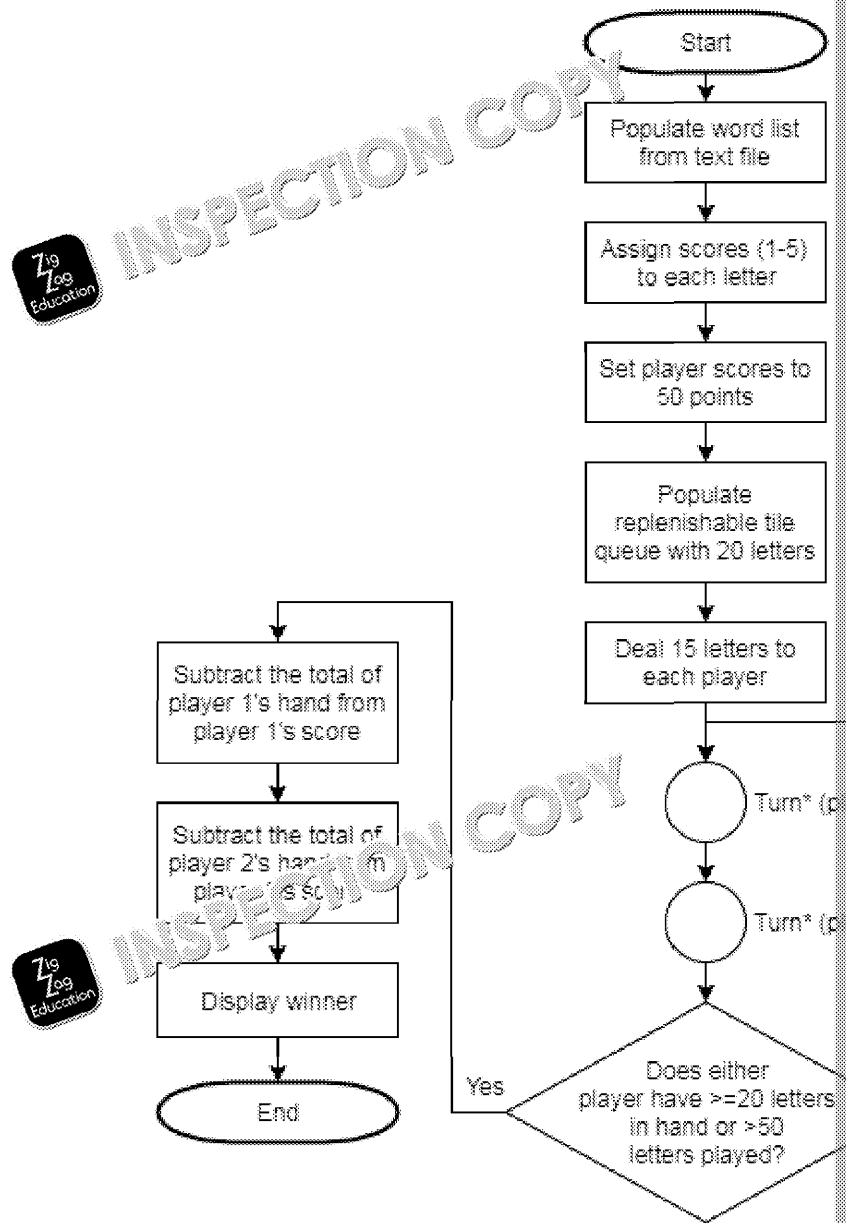
At the end of the game, the total value of each player's hand is subtracted from their total score. The player with the highest score is the winner.

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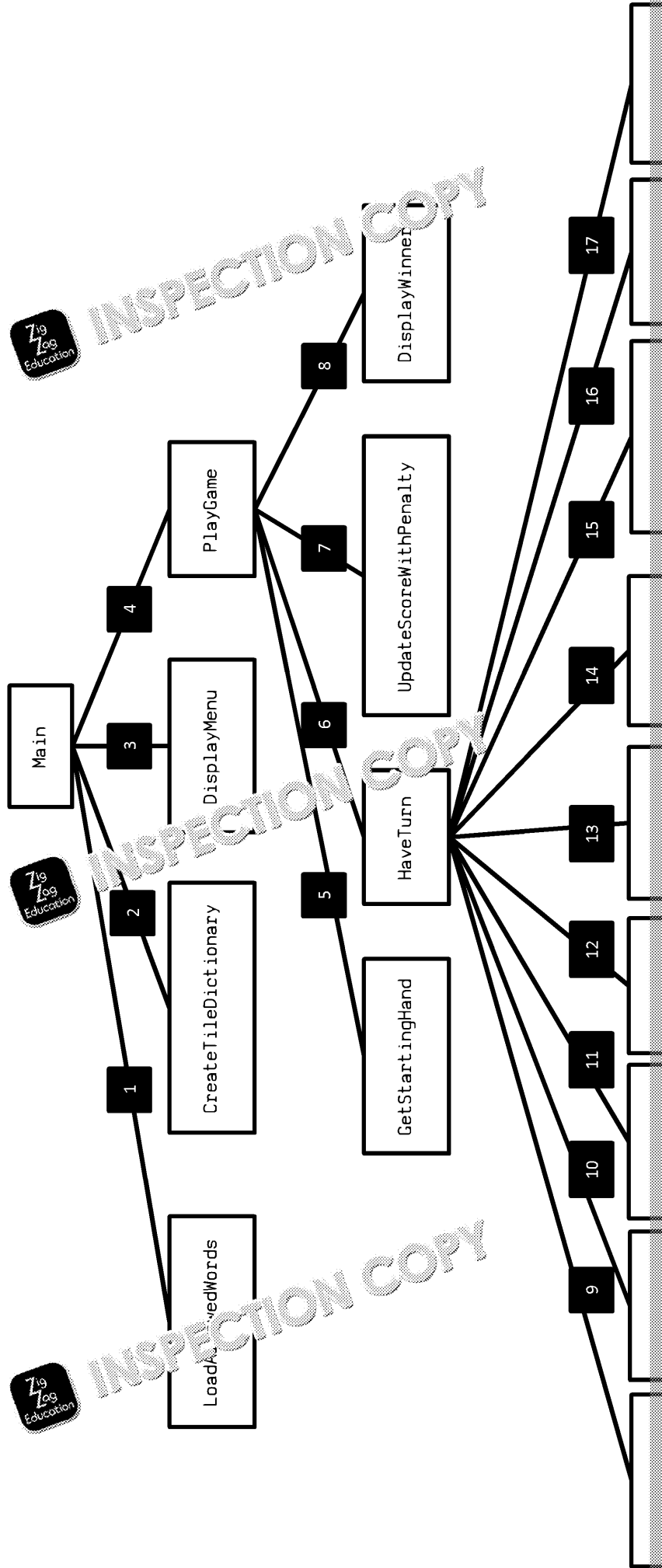
Program Flowchart



* For the details of the 'turn' subroutines, see steps 1 and 2 on the next page.

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Structure Diagram: Overview



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Subroutine Calls, Parameters and Return Values

The numbers to the left do **not** indicate the order in which subroutines are called, as there are multiple possible orders. Instead, these numbers relate to the numbers in the structure diagram on page 3.

Call	Parameters	Return
1 Main calls LoadAllowedWords	-	AllowedWords
2 Main calls CreateTileDictionary	-	TileDictionary
3 Main calls DisplayMenu	-	-
4 Main calls PlayGame	AllowedWords TileDictionary RandomStart StartHandSize MaxHandSize MaxTilesPlayed NoOfEndOfTurnTiles	-
5 PlayGame calls GetStartOfHand	TileQueue StartHandSize	Hand
6 PlayGame calls HaveTurn	PlayerName PlayerTiles PlayerTilesPlayed PlayerScore TileDictionary TileQueue AllowedWords	PlayerTiles PlayerTilesPlayed PlayerScore TileQueue

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Call	Parameters	Return
11 HaveTurn calls DisplayTileValues	TileDictionary AllowedWords	-
12 HaveTurn calls FillHandWithTiles	TileQueue PlayerTiles MaxHandSize	TileQueue PlayerTiles
13 HaveTurn calls CheckWordIsInTiles	Word PlayerTiles	InTiles
14 HaveTurn calls CheckWordIsValid	Word AllowedWords	ValidWord
15 HaveTurn calls UpdateScoreAfterAllowedWord	Word PlayerTiles PlayerScore PlayerTilesPlayed TileDictionary AllowedWords	PlayerTiles PlayerScore PlayerTilesPlayed
16 HaveTurn calls GetNewTileChoice	-	NewTileChoice
17 HaveTurn calls AddEndOfTurnTiles	TileQueue PlayerTiles NewTileChoice Choice	TileQueue PlayerTiles
18 UpdateAfterAllowedWord calls GetScoreForWord	Word TileDictionary	Score




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Program Subroutines





The functions (F) and procedures (P) are described below.

Main Program	Subroutines (F)	Description
AddEndOfTurnTiles (F)	Parameters: TileQueue, PlayerTiles, NewTileChoice Returns: TileQueue, PlayerTiles CalledFrom: HaveTurn Calls: QueueOfTiles.Add, QueueOfTiles.Remove	 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If the user has entered option 1, (in GetNewTileChoice()) set NoOfEndOfTurnTiles to contain the number of tiles played in the last move 3. If the user has entered option 2, NoOfEndOfTurnTiles to contain the number 3 4. If the user has entered neither 1 nor 2, set NoOfEndOfTurnTiles to contain the number of tiles played plus 3 5. Set up a loop that runs once per tile to be drawn 6. Add a character to the string containing the player's hand by removing a tile from the front of the tile queue 7. Add a tile to the back of the tile queue
CheckWordIsInTiles (F)	Parameters: Word, PlayerTiles Returns: InTiles Called from: HaveTurn Calls: -	 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create a Boolean variable (InTiles) set to false 2. Create a copy of the player's tiles 3. Loop through the word being checked 4. For each character in the word, check that it exists in the copy of player's tiles 5. If it is present, it is removed from the copy of the player's tiles 6. If it is not present, InTiles is set to false 7. Return InTiles to HaveTurn
CheckWordIsValid (F)	Parameters: Word	 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create a Boolean variable (ValidWord) set to false

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

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Main Program – Subroutines	Description
CreateTileDictionary (F) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Main Calls: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create an empty dictionary. 2. Set up a loop that runs 26 times 3. For each iteration, add the corresponding letter to the map (first add A, then add B, etc.) 4. For each letter, add the corresponding score (1, 2, 3 or 5), which depends on the letter 5. Return the dictionary to Main
DisplayMenu (P) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Main Calls: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Present options to play the game, with a random start, training start (string literals) or quit (this subroutine does not accept input or return a value)
DisplayTilesInHand (P) 	Parameters: PlayerTiles Returns: Called from: HaveTurn Calls: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Output a blank line 2. Output the player's hand
DisplayTileValues (P) 	Parameters: TileDictionary Returns: AllowedWords Called from: HaveTurn Calls: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Loop through the TileDictionary dictionary 4. Display each entry in the dictionary in the form 'Points for A: 1', with each entry on a different line
DisplayWinner (P) 	Parameters: PlayerOneScore, PlayerTwoScore Returns: Called from: PlayGame <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Display 'GAME OVER!' message 2. Display "Player One your score is" concatenated with PlayerOneScore 3. Display "Player Two your score is" concatenated with PlayerTwoScore

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Main Program – Subroutines	Description
GetChoice (F) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Calls: - Choice HaveTurn -
GetNewTileChoice (F) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Calls: - NewTileChoice HaveTurn -
GetScoreForWord (F) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Calls: Word TileDictionary Score UpdateAfterAllowedWord -
GetStartingHand (F) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Calls: TileQueue StartHandSize Hand PlayGame QueueOfTiles.Add QueueOfTiles.Remove

1. Present the player with the mid-game menu
 2. Prompt the user to select a number or enter a word
 3. Convert their entry to upper case
 3. Return this selection to HaveTurn
1. Declare an empty string
 2. Prompt the user with a four-option menu
 3. Return their response to this menu to HaveTurn; their response is validated to ensure that it is only a number "1", "2", "3" or "4",
1. Assign the variable Score, the value zero
 2. Loop through each character in the word, adding the score for each letter (taken as read from the map) to the total
 3. If the length of the word is greater than 7, add 20 to the score
 4. If the length of the word is 6 or 7, add 5 to the score
 5. Return the score to UpdateAfterAllowedWord

1. Create an empty string
2. Loop once per tile in startHandSize (initial / 20 times).
3. Add a character to the string by removing a tile from the front of the tile queue
4. Add a tile to the back of the tile queue
5. Return the string (Hand) to PlayGame

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Main Program – Subroutines

HaveTurn®



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Description

Parameters:

PlayerName
PlayerTiles
PlayerTilesPlayed
PlayerScore
TileDictionary
TileQueue
AllowedWords
MaxHandSize
NoEndOfTurnTiles
PlayerTiles
PlayerTilesPlayed
PlayerScore
TileQueue
PlayGame
DisplayTilesInHand
GetChoice
DisplayTileValues
FillHandWithTiles
CheckWordIsInTiles
CheckWordIsValid
UpdateAfterAllowedWord
GetNewTileChoice
AddEndOfTurnTiles
QueueOfTiles.Show

Returns:

Called from:
Calls:




1. Display which player's turn it is
2. Display's the player's hand
3. A loop runs prompting the player to enter option "1", "4", "7", "0" or enter a word, via a call to GetNewTileChoice, until they enter a word or option "0"
4. If they enter "1", the value of allowedWords are displayed by calling DisplayTileValues
5. If they enter "4", the tile queue is displayed by calling QueueOfTiles.Show
6. If they enter "7", redisplay the player's hand by calling DisplayTilesInHand
7. If they enter "0", fill the player's hand by calling FillHandWithTiles
8. If they enter none of those options, the assumption is that they have entered a word, so its length is checked
9. If the length is 0, a variable called ValidWord is set to false
10. If the word is invalid based on a call to CheckWordIsInTiles, ValidWord is set to false
11. If the word is valid, the move is processed by calling UpdateAfterAllowedWord and GetNewTileChoice
12. If the word is invalid, a message is displayed saying 'Not a valid attempt. You lose your turn.'
13. New tiles are drawn by calling AddEndOfTurnTiles unless the player requested no tiles in the call to GetNewTileChoice (if the move was invalid, the player has no choice and three new tiles will be drawn)

14. Outputs the current game state

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Main Program – Subroutines	Description
Main (P) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Calls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - - - LoadAllowedWordDictionary CreateTileDictionary DisplayMenu PlayGame
PlayGame (P) 	Parameters: Returns: Called from: Calls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AllowedWords TileDictionary RandomStart StartHandSize MaxHandSize MaxTilesPlayed NoOfEndOfTurnTiles Main GetStartingHand HaveTurn UpdateScoreWithPenalty DisplayWinner QueueOfTiles (constructor)
UpdateAfterAllowedWord(E) 	Parameters: Word PlayerTiles PlayerScore PlayerTilesPlayed TileDictionary AllowedWords <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add the length of the word just played to the total number of tiles played 2. Loop through each character in the played word, removing a corresponding tile from the player's hand 3. Update the player's score by calling GetScoreForWord

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Program Classes

The program contains one class. Its purpose is described briefly in the table below.

Class	Description
QueueOfTiles	Class to store the structure that contains tiles before they are passed to a player. The structure is a list, and an integer points to the rear of the queue. The front is always element zero in the list.

Class Method



The only class is QueueOfTiles. The functions (F) and procedures (P) are described below.

QueueOfTiles – Methods		Description
__init__ (F)	Parameters: MaxSize Returns: QueueOfTiles Called from: PlayGame Calls: QueueOfTiles.Add	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Constructor method – create a new QueueOfTiles object when called (and return this object) 2. Create an empty list to store the queue 3. Set the attribute MaxSize to the parameter MaxSize 4. Set _Rear to -1. This variable is the pointer to the back of the queue. Since the list is initially empty, there can be no meaningful rear pointer. 5. Call the Add method repeatedly, e.g. if MaxSize is 20, call Add 20 times.
IsEmpty (F)	Parameters: - Returns: True or False (Boolean) Called from: QueueOfTiles.Remove	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If rear is -1 (meaning the pointer is not within the list, so the list can be considered empty) return true 2. For any other value of _Rear, return false

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QueueOfTiles – Methods		Description
Add (P)	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parameters: - Returns: Called from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GetStartingTiles AddEndOfTiles FillHandWithTiles - Calls: 	 <p>NB. This subroutine will do nothing if <code>_Rear</code> already points to the end of the list, since there would be no room to add a character.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Generate a random integer from 1 to 25 2. Increment <code>_Rear</code> by 1, indicating the queue is now one larger 3. At the rear of the queue, add the character whose ASCII code is equal to the randomly generated integer plus 65, e.g. if it was 0, add 'A', if it was 1, add 'B', if it was 2, add 'C', etc.
Show (P)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parameters: - Returns: Called from: HaveTurn - Calls: 	<p>NB. This subroutine will do nothing if the queue is empty.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Print a blank line 2. Print "The contents of the queue are: " followed by 3. looping through each item in the queue, and printing it out 1. Print a blank line

Variables

The following table contains variables that are declared locally and passed to at least one other method.





Main Program – Variables		Description	Created in
AllowedWords	list of strings	Contains all valid words read from a text file	Main via a call to LoadAllowedWords subroutine
Choice	String	Contains user input at the main in-game menu, indicating whether they want random hands or the training hands (or to quit).	Main
MaxHandSize	integer	The largest number of tiles that a player can hold –	Main

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The following table contains the attributes of the QueueOfTiles class.

QueueOfTiles – Attributes		Type	Description	Created in
 _Contents		list	List to contain all letters in queue before they are passed to a player's hand	 _init_ (the constructor)
	_Rear	integer	The index of the back of queue, used to add new tiles to the correct location in the list	 _init_ (the constructor)
	_MaxSize	integer	The largest size that the queue can be	 _init_ (the constructor)

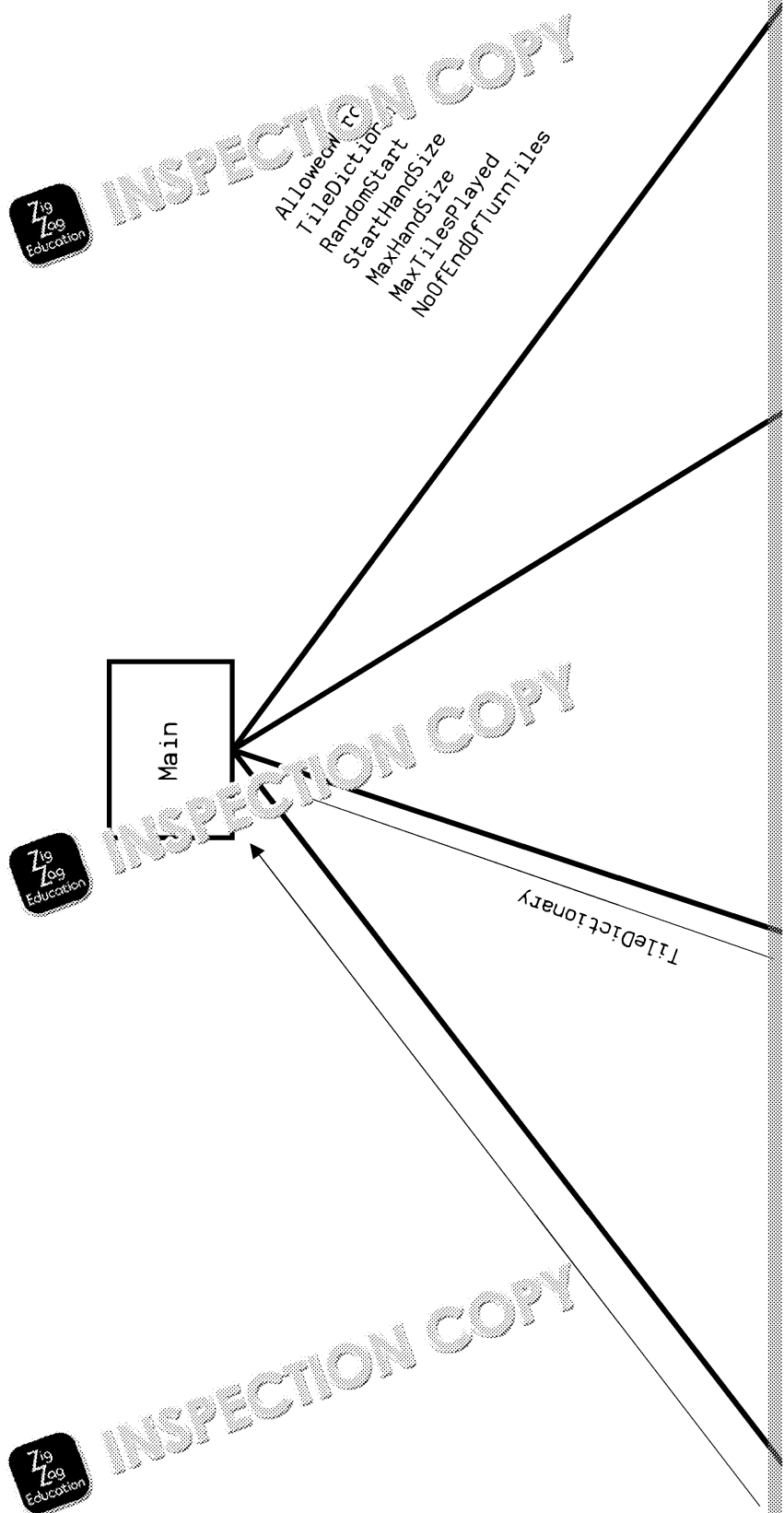
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Structure Diagram Activity 1

Main and subroutines called from Main

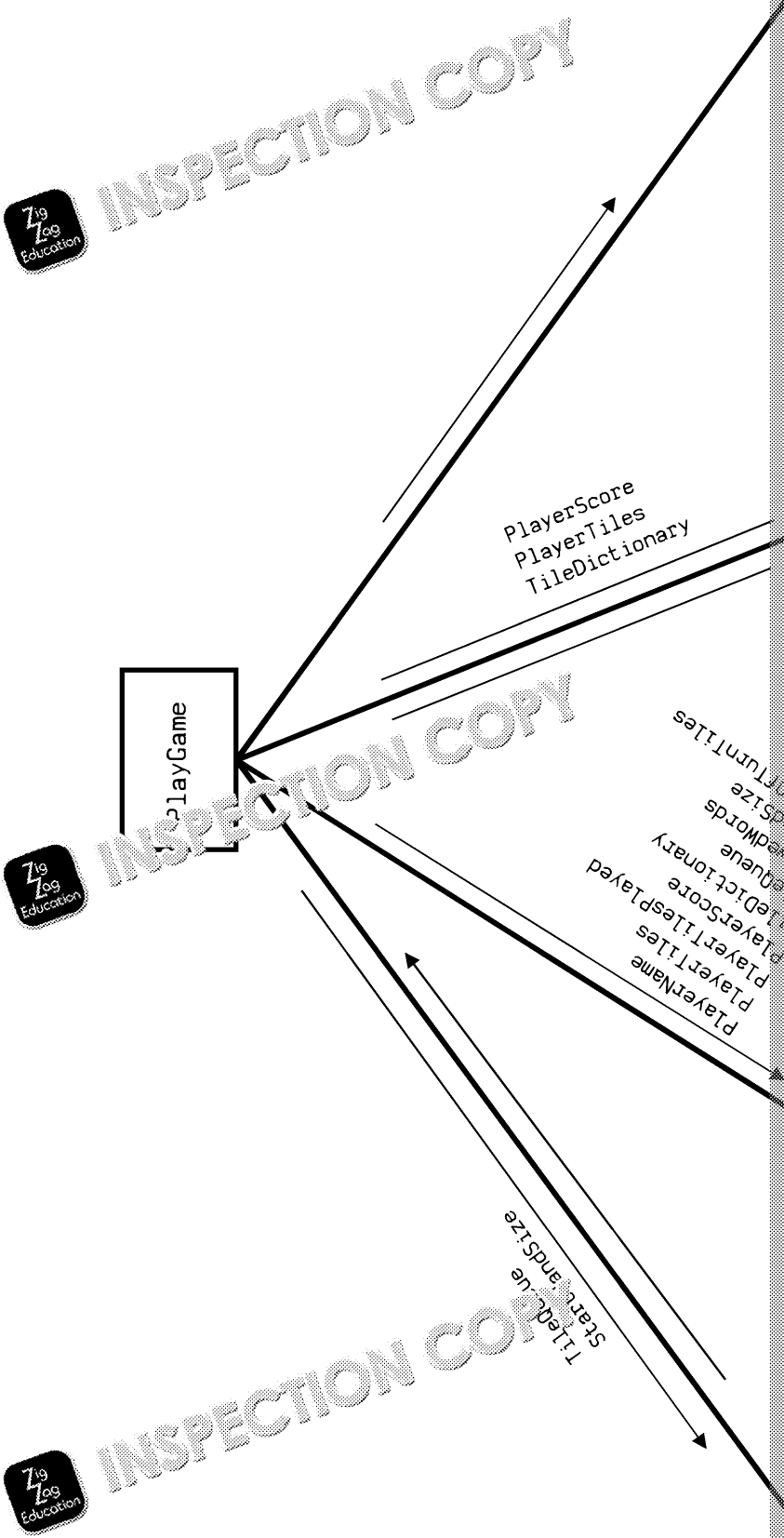


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PlayGame and subroutines called from PlayGame



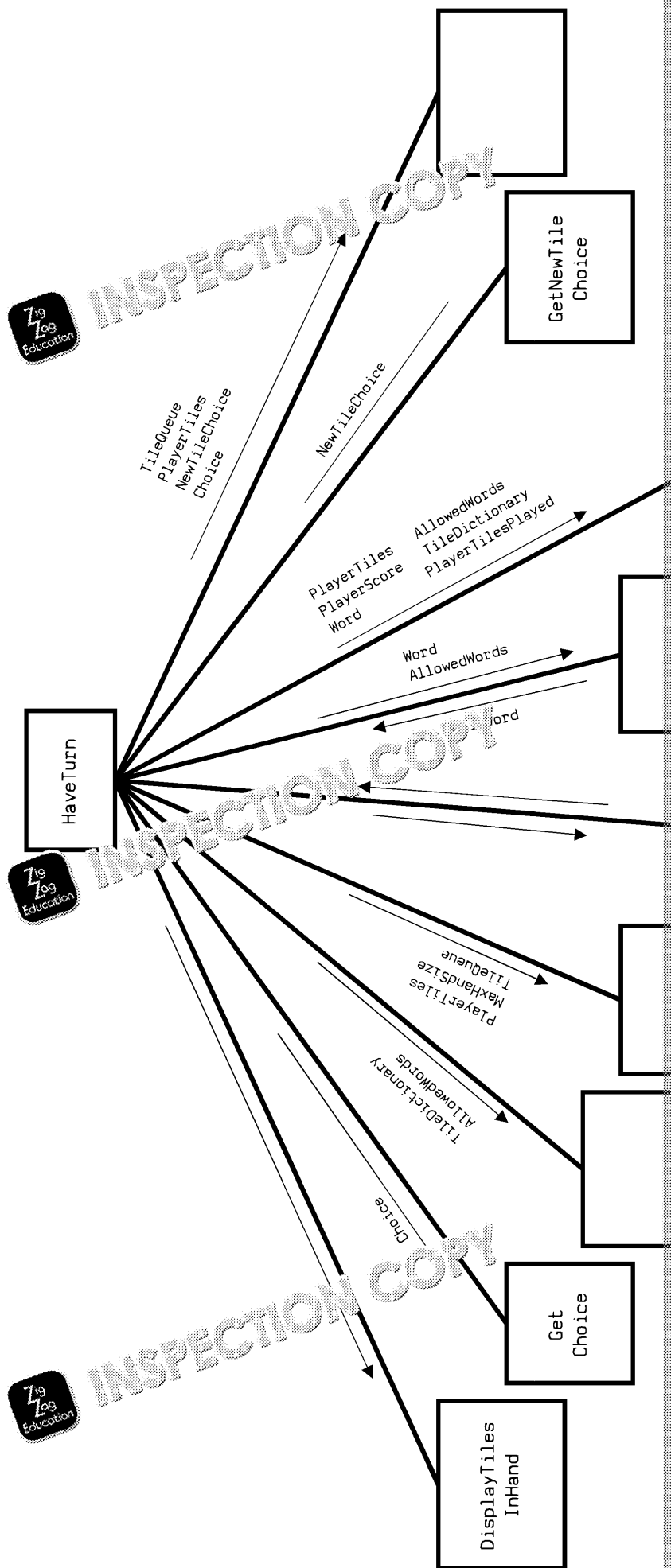
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Structure Diagram Activity 3

HaveTurn and subroutines called from HaveTurn



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Written Questions (Python)

These questions refer to the preliminary material and require you to load the skeleton code and perform any additional programming.

1. State the name of each attribute for:

- `ss[2]`
- A variable [1]
- A variable that is used to store a Boolean return value [1]
- A parameter whose data type is dictionary [1]
- A function with three parameters [1]
- A procedure with no parameters [1]
- A local variable (excluding parameters) within the `HaveTurn` subroutine [1]
- An attribute of `QueueOfTiles` [1]

2. Write one line of code from the skeleton program which calls a library subroutine.

3. Look at the subroutine `CreateTileDictionary`. Describe the purpose of the following line of code:

```
TileDictionary[chr(65 + Count)] = 1
```

4. State and describe the data structure returned by the `CreateTileDictionary` subroutine.

5. Look at the subroutine `CheckWordIsInTiles`. Explain the role of the variable `Found`.

6. Describe the difference between a procedure and a function. State one example of each. Do not include any code from the class `QueueOfTiles` in your answer.

7. Describe what will happen if, during a call to `LoadAllowedWords`, the file `words.txt` is not found.

8. Describe the actions performed in the following lines of the `LoadAllowedWords` subroutine:

```
for Word in WordsFile:  
    AllowedWords.append(Word.strip().upper())
```

9. The `QueueOfTiles` class contains a constructor. Describe what is meant by a constructor.

10. Describe the effect of the following instruction within the `QueueOfTiles` class:

```
self._MaxSize = MaxSize
```

11. Explain why the variable `_Rear` is initialised to -1 in the `QueueOfTiles` class.

12. Describe in detail the purpose of the subroutine `UpdateScoreWithPenalty`. State any and/or return values in your answer. [5]

13. Describe the operation of the following code within the subroutine `GetScore`:

```
Score = 0  
for Count in range(len(Word)):  
    Score += TileDictionary[Word[Count]]
```

14. Explain the role of the iterative structure within the subroutine `GetNewTile`.

15. Explain why the variable `NewTileChoice` is initialised to the string value "2".

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Written Questions (Python)

These questions refer to the preliminary skeleton program and require you to load the skeleton program and perform any additional programming.

1. State the Python identifier for:

a) A class [1]

b) A list variable [1]

c) A variable that is used to store a Boolean return value [1]

d) A parameter whose data type is dictionary [1]

e) A function with three parameters [1]

f) A procedure with two parameters [1]

g) A local variable (excluding parameters) within the HaveTurn subroutine [1]

h) An attribute of QueueOfTiles [1]

2. Write one line of code from the skeleton program which calls a library subroutine.

3. Look at the subroutine CreateTileDictionary. Describe the purpose of the following line of code.

```
TileDictionary[chr(ord('A') + count)] = 1
```

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4. State and describe the data structure returned by the `CreateTileDictionary`

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5. Look at the subroutine `CheckWordIsInTiles`. Explain the role of the variable

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6. Describe the difference between a procedure and a function. State one example of each. Do not include any methods from the class `QueueOfTiles` in your answer.

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7. Describe what would happen if, during a call to `LoadAllowedWords`, the file was not found. [4]

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8. Describe the actions performed in the following lines of the `LoadAllowedWords` subroutine:

```
for Word in WordsFile:
    AllowedWords.append(Word.strip().upper())
```

9. The `QueueOfTiles` class contains a constructor. Describe what is meant by the following lines of code:

10. Describe the effect of the following instruction within the `QueueOfTiles` class:

```
self._MaxSize = MaxSize
```

11. Explain why the variable `_Rear` is initialised to -1 in the `QueueOfTiles` class:

12. Describe in detail the purpose of the subroutine `UpdateScoreWithPenalty` and/or return values in your answer. [5]

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13. Describe the operation of the following code within the subroutine GetScore

```
Score = 0
for Count in range (len(Word)):
    Score += TileDictionary[Word[Count]]
```



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14. Explain the role of the iterative structure within the subroutine GetNewTile



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15. Explain why the variable NewTileChoice is initialised to the string value "2"



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Programming Tasks (Python)

The following questions require you to edit the skeleton program and make modifications.

Question 1



This question refers to `GetScoreForWord`.

Currently, the source code assigns bonus points for words that contain more than one letter. However, the new rule states that words of two or three letters incur a one-point penalty. For example, the word 'BAR' would normally be worth four points ($B=2, A=1, R=1$). Following the new rule, the word 'BAR' would only be worth three points.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `GetScoreForWord`
- One screen capture showing the word played, the new score and the total sequence of events:
 - Begin the game with the training hand
 - On *Player One's* first turn, play the word 'BAR'
 - Press '4' to request no new tiles
- One screen capture showing the word played, the new score and the total sequence of events:
 - Begin the game again with the training hand
 - On *Player One's* first turn, play the word 'BARS'
 - Press '4' to request no new tiles

Question 2

This question refers to `DisplayTilesInHand` and `HaveTurn`.

The program currently displays the letters in the player's hand as a single string. Modify `DisplayTilesInHand` so that an **additional** line is printed out in which each letter and its points value in brackets, followed by a space; for example:

A(1) F(3) M(2) E(1) etc.

Modify `HaveTurn` to allow `DisplayTilesInHand` to have access to the points value of each letter in the hand.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `DisplayTilesInHand`
- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `HaveTurn`
- One screen capture showing *Player One's* hand at the beginning of the game

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Question 3

This question refers to `CreateTileDictionary`.

Currently, there are no letters worth four points. Modify the code in `CreateTileDictionary` so that letters 'K', 'V' and 'Y' are each worth four points.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `CreateTileDictionary`
- One screen capture showing the letter values after any player's turn

Question



This question relates to `PlayGame` and `DisplayWinner`.

'Words With AQA' is currently a two-player game. Add code to `PlayGame` to include a third player. `Player Three` should be assigned the same values as `Player One` and `Player Two`. The call to `DisplayWinner` should be amended to include an additional parameter, and, if `Player Three` has the highest score, they should be the winner.

The training hand for `Player Three` should be 'ABCDEFGHIIJKLMNO'.

When displaying the winner, the output should be 'Player One wins!', 'Player Two wins!', or 'No clear winner'. This last message should be displayed if any two players are tied.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `PlayGame`
- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `DisplayWinner`
- One screen capture showing `Player One's` turn and the prompt that marks the start of `Player Two's` turn (the action taken by `Player Two` is unimportant). Begin with the training hand.

Question



This question refers to `HaveTurn`.

Presently, if a valid word is played, the program displays the text 'valid word'. Modify the code so that, if a valid word is played, the program displays the text 'valid word', followed, on the same line, with the word and its score. If the player has played a word worth 7 points, the output should be as follows:

Valid word. FARM scores 7 points.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `HaveTurn`
- One screen capture showing `Player One's` first turn with the training hand 'ABANDON'.



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Question 6

This question refers to a new class, `Player`.

The program does not currently allow efficient creation of additional players. The creation of a class called `Player`.

Create a `Player` class that contains private attributes to store that player's tiles they have played. There should be a constructor to initialise these attributes to the `PlayGame`. In order to do this, a `QueueOfTiles` object called `TileQueue` will be used for the constructor.

Create appropriate methods within the class to grant public visibility to each of the

Evidence you need to provide:

- The SOURCE CODE for a new class, `Player`

Question 7

This question refers to `GetChoice` and `HaveTurn`.

Currently, there is no option for the player to swap their letters. Extend the menu option 'Press 2 to swap all your letters OR'. Modify `HaveTurn` so that all tiles in the hand are replaced by an equivalent number of letters from the tile queue. There should be a method for changing letters.

Once the letters have been swapped, the new hand should be displayed, but play should continue for the other player.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `GetChoice`
- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `HaveTurn`
- One screen capture showing *Player One's* hand both before and after selection. The 'before' hand should be the training hand.

Question 8

This question refers to `Add` within the `QueueOfTiles` class.

Modify this subroutine to prevent two identical consecutive letters being added to the queue. This should be used to cause new letters to be generated (and ignored) until a letter is generated that is not the previous letter. At that point, the letter should be added to the queue.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `Add`

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Question 9

This question refers to `LoadAllowedWords`.

Currently, all words are taken from the `aqawords.txt` file. Modify the `LoadAllowedWords` so that the following takes place:

1. The user is asked to press option '1' for the default dictionary or '2' for a custom dictionary. The program should validate this input.
2. If the user presses '1', the `aqawords.txt` file is used as normal.
3. If the user presses '2', the user is prompted for the name of a file. The program should check if the file exists, and if it does, this will be used instead of `aqawords.txt`.
4. If the user enters a file name that cannot be found then the program will instead use `aqawords.txt`.

You should **only** modify `LoadAllowedWords` in your response to this question.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `LoadAllowedWords`
- One screen capture showing the menu (press '1' for default, press '2' for custom dictionary) and the program's response to '2' being entered.

Question 10

This question refers to `Main`.

The program currently attempts to load words from a text file called `aqawords.txt`. If the file is not found, the game is allowed to continue. Under these circumstances, however, the game effectively cannot be played.

Modify the `Main` function so that if `LoadAllowedWords` returns an empty list, the program should display a time error value and a message "Dictionary file not found", before terminating.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `Main`
- One screen capture showing the entire starting output of the program. The program should change `aqawords.txt` in the `LoadAllowedWords` subroutine.

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Question 11

This question refers to HaveTurn.

The program currently displays a player's hand, but does not display how many letters are in the hand. This makes the decision of how many tiles to draw more difficult than it needs to be.

Modify HaveTurn so that both before and after new tiles are drawn, the number of tiles in the hand is displayed. If no new tiles are drawn, the message should only be displayed once. The output should consist of the following format:

You have XX tiles remaining.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for HaveTurn
- One screen capture showing the output having done the following:
 - Selected '2' to play with the training hand
 - Played the word BAT for *Player One*
 - Pressed '3' to indicate that you want to replace the tiles played
- One screen capture showing the output having done the following:
 - Selected '2' to play with the training hand
 - Played the word HAND for *Player One*
 - Pressed '4' to indicate that you want no replacement tiles

Question 12

This question refers to a new class, LetterTile.

The program currently uses characters to represent tiles, with the value of each letter stored in a dictionary. An alternative would be to create a new class, from which objects could be created to represent tiles.

Create a new class called LetterTile. It should be assembled according to the following requirements:

- There should be three attributes – `_Letter` (string), `_Score` (integer) and `_IsVowel` (boolean). The last attribute would be set to 'True' for a vowel (A, E, I, O, U) and 'False' for a consonant.
- The constructor should have two parameters – the letter and the dictionary of letter values. The constructor should set all three attributes correctly. For example, if the letter is 'A', the attributes would be set as follows:
 - `_Letter`: 'A' (the letter should always be stored in the attribute in uppercase)
 - `_Score`: 1 (since 'A' is worth a single point)
 - `_IsVowel`: True (since 'A' is a vowel)
- There should be a public accessor method to grant access to each attribute.

Evidence you need to provide:

- The SOURCE CODE for a new class LetterTile.

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Question 13

This question refers to `Main` and `DisplayMenu`.

Presently, the values of `MaxHandSize`, `MaxTilesPlayed`, `NoOfEndOfTurnTiles` are written into the code and cannot be changed by the user.

- Add a menu option in `DisplayMenu` to read 'Settings'.
- Alter the code in `Main` so that if '3' is chosen from the menu, the user will be prompted for the following prompts in turn:
 - Enter maximum hand size:
 - Enter maximum tiles played:
 - Enter default new tiles:
 - Enter starting hand size:
- The user input (which will not need to be validated) should go into the variables `MaxHandSize`, `MaxTilesPlayed`, `NoOfEndOfTurnTiles` and `StartHandSize` respectively.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `DisplayMenu`
- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `Main`
- One screen capture showing the following:
 - Option 3 is chosen from the first menu
 - Set maximum hand size to 25
 - Set maximum tiles played to 40
 - Set default new tiles to 2
 - Set starting hand size to 10
 - Begin the game with a random start hand

Question 14

This question refers to the `QueueOfTiles` class.

Presently, letters are chosen purely at random, which can result in a queue and a sufficient number of vowels.

Modify the `add` subroutine and any other necessary code so that letters are selected in the following order:

- The first letter is chosen purely at random, as is currently the case
- The second letter is also chosen at random
- The third letter is chosen at random from the vowels only (A, E, I, O, U)
- Every letter that is chosen other than the first two and every third letter is a vowel
- Every third letter should be a randomly chosen vowel (A, E, I, O, U)

It may help you to know that the ASCII values for the vowels are as follows: A=65, E=69, I=73, O=79, U=85

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for the `QueueOfTiles` class
- One screen capture showing *Player One's* tiles after choosing to play with a random start hand

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Question 15

This question refers to `HaveTurn` and a new subroutine called `ResolveBlanks`.

The game is currently played without blank tiles. In other games, such as Scrabble, part of a word. That blank tile can count for any letter as long as it results in the

Create a new subroutine called `ResolveBlanks`. This subroutine should behave

- It accepts a single variable `word`, which is a string that may or may not play the role of blank tiles
- For each dash entered, the user is given the prompt 'Enter value of blank (ideally for all instances of dash in the word)
- The user inputs a character, which replaces a dash (in the event of multiple dashes, they should be replaced in the order in which they appear). No validation is required
- The word, now without any dashes, is returned to `HaveTurn`

You should also modify `HaveTurn` so that `ResolveBlanks` is called immediately before `CheckWordIsValid` is called.

You should also add the "-" tile to `TileDictionary` and assign it a value of 0 points.

Evidence you need to provide:

- Your amended SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for `HaveTurn`
- Your SOURCE CODE PROGRAM for the new `ResolveBlanks` subroutine
- One screenshot showing the output that results from the following:
 - Before running the program, change the following line in the `PlayerOneTile` dictionary:
 - FROM: `PlayerOneTile = "TAHANDENONSARJ"`
 - TO: `PlayerOneTile = "--AHANDENONSARJ"` (i.e. change the first two characters to dashes)
 - Run the program and select the training hand option
 - Play the following: han--
 - At the first prompt, enter D
 - At the second prompt, enter Y
- One screenshot showing the output that results from the following:
 - Run the program and select the training hand option
 - Play the following: ha---

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$A_1, A_1, Q_5, H_3, T_1, I_1, W_1, S_1, D_2, R, Q_3, W_3$

```

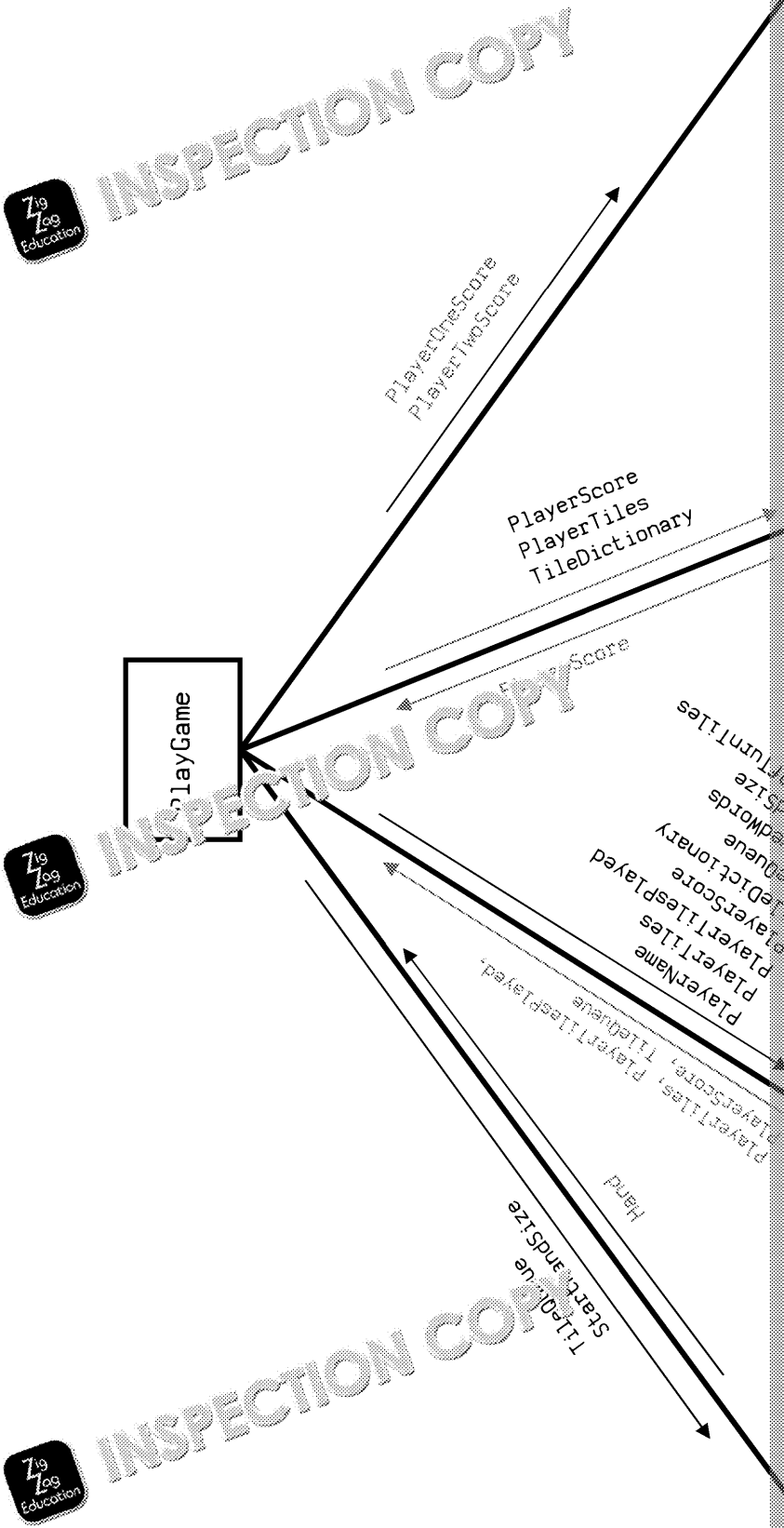
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    Main --> TileDictionary[TileDictionary]
    Main --> RandomStart[RandomStart]
    Main --> StartHandSize[StartHandSize]
    Main --> MaxHandSize[MaxHandSize]
    Main --> MaxTilesPlayed[MaxTilesPlayed]
    Main --> NoOfEndOfTurnTiles[NoOfEndOfTurnTiles]
  
```

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PlayGame and subroutines called from PlayGame



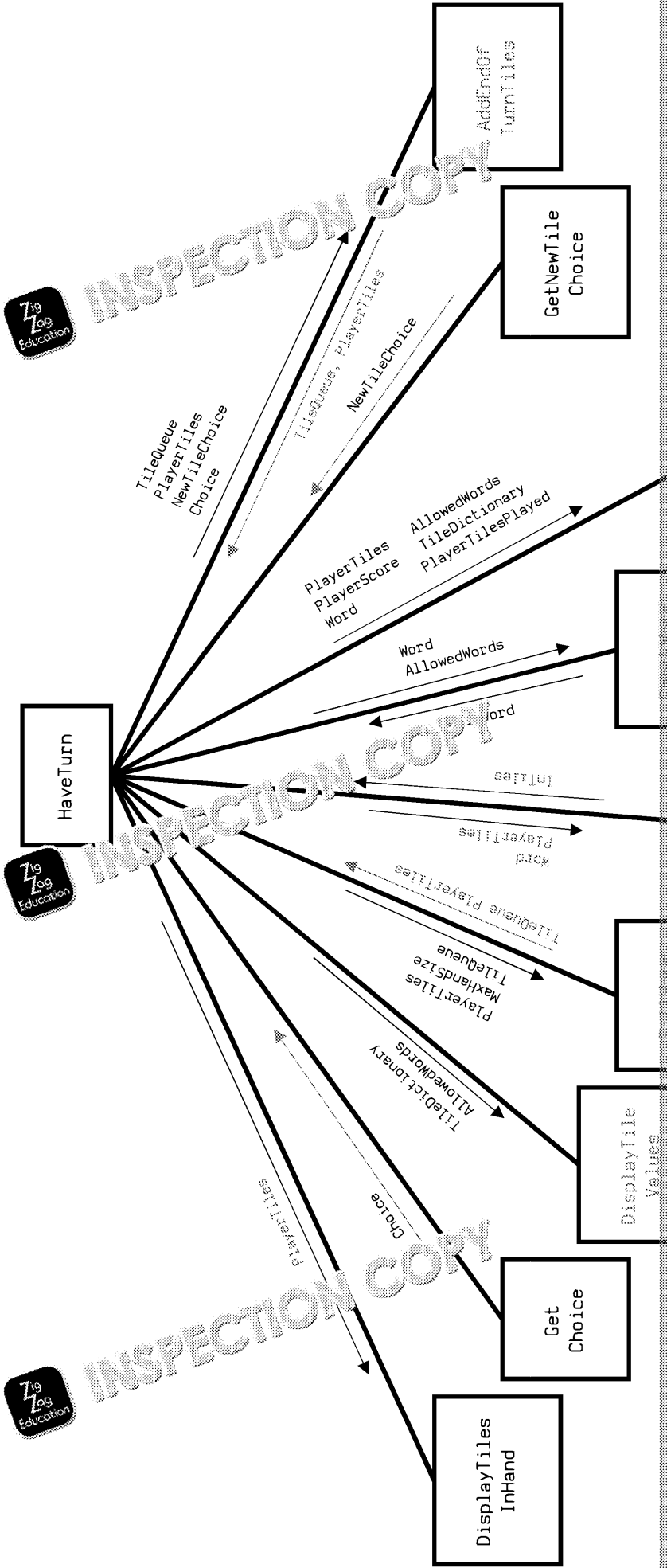
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Structure Diagram 3

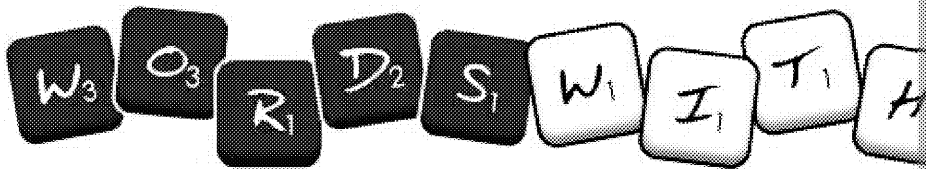
HaveTurn and subroutines called from HaveTurn



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Written Questions: Suggested Answers and Mark Scheme

Q	Answer/Guidance
1a	QueueOfTiles
1b	_Contents / AllowedWords
1c	InTiles / ValidWord
1d	TileDictionary
1e	FillHandWithTiles / UpdateScoreWithPenalty
1f	DisplayMenu / Main
1g	NewTileChoice / ValidChoice / ValidWord / Choice
1h	_Contents / _Rear / _MaxSize
2	The whole line must be included for the mark: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>RandNo = random.randint(0, 26)</code>
3	1 mark for each point: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adds (an entry) to the dictionary • Every letter character with ASCII value of 65 + 'count' • Includes integer value '1'
4	1 mark for stating data structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dictionary <p>Up to 3 marks for description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contains unique keys • Keys are letters of the alphabet • Each key links to another value • Other value is an integer / the score for that letter <p>Also accept key-value pairs for 2 marks (3rd mark for describing key as a letter)</p>
5	Up to 2 marks for explanation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates a copy of the player's tiles • Characters are eliminated from the copy • Prevents tiles being eliminated from player's tiles (since word has not been used)

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Q	Answer/Guidance
6	<p>2 marks for difference between procedure and function:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A <i>procedure</i> performs a sequence of events but <i>does not</i> return a value • A <i>function</i> also performs a sequence of events but <i>does</i> return a value <p>Sufficient for 2 marks: a function returns a value – a procedure does not</p> <p>1 mark for identifying a procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DisplayMenu • DisplayTilesInHand • DisplayTiles • DisplayTurnOrder • PlayGame <p>1 mark for identifying a function:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CheckWordIsInTiles • CheckWordIsValid • CreateTileDictionary • FillHandWithTiles • GetChoice • GetNewTileChoice • GetScoreForWord • HaveTurn • GetStartingHand • LoadAllowedWords • UpdateAfterAllowedWord • UpdateScoreWithPenalty
7	<p>1 mark each up to 4 marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An exception would be raised • Execution would stop at the 'except' block • The code to manipulate the AllowedWords list would not be executed • The 'except' block contains no code/instructions • An empty list would be returned
8	<p>1 mark each up to 4 marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goes through the file one line at a time • Assigning the contents of each line to the variable Word • The Word/line is stripped of any trailing spaces and end of line character • The Word/variable is converted to upper case • And appended to the list AllowedWords (or list of allowed words)
9	<p>1 mark for each up to 2 marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A constructor is a method called by creating a variable using the class name (e.g. <code>Class()</code>) • Creates a new object based on the class in which it resides • Constructor method is called <code>__init__</code> • Ensures that a new object in the class is initialised correctly
10	<p>2 marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets the instance variable <code>self._MaxSize</code> • ... to the constructor <code>__init__(MaxSize)</code>
11	<p>2 marks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>rear</code> points to the back of the queue • Value of -1 indicates an empty queue • -1 is a rogue/special value

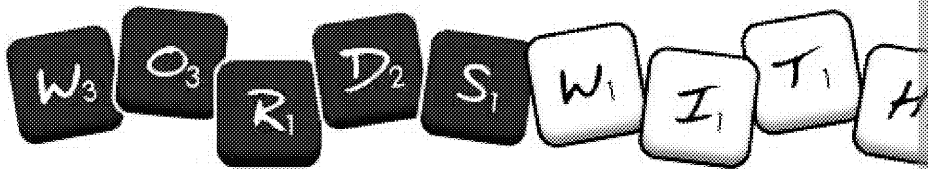
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Q	Answer/Guidance
12	<p>1 mark for parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Player's current score, tiles in the player's hand, <code>TileDictionary</code> the <p>1 mark for return value</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Player's updated score <p>Up to 3 marks from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purpose of function is to subtract value of player's tiles/hand from the Loop is established to iterate through each tile/character in the player's Value of each tile/character determined by looking up in a dictionary Value is subtracted from player's score
13	<p>4 marks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Score/integer/variable is set to zero Loop iterates through each character in the word Value of character looked up in the <code>(Tile)Dictionary</code> Value added to score
14	<p>2 marks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loop continues until user has selected '1', '2', '3' or '4' Validates user input
15	<p>3 marks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contents of this variable are passed to <code>AddEndOfTurnTiles</code> Selection of '2' indicates that three new tiles will be drawn The only way to replace this selection is to have played a valid word
TOTAL MARKS	

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Programming Tasks: Suggested Solutions and Mark Scheme

That the following are recommended solutions, and not an exhaustive list of all possible solutions. The guidance should be used as a guide only. Discretion should be used in awarding credit where appropriate.

Question 1

1 mark An IF statement that evaluates to TRUE for a word length of either two or three

1 mark The IF statement evaluates to TRUE for a word length of two or three letters

1 mark Score decremented correctly within the IF statement

```
elif len(Word) in [2,3]:
    Score -= 1
```

1 mark Screenshot shows 'HAD' was played, the new total is '55' and the total tiles played is 3

Your word was: HAD
Your new score is: 55
You have played 3 tiles so far in this game

1 mark Screenshot shows 'BARS' was played, the new total is '55' and the total tiles played is 4

Your word was: BARS
Your new score is: 55
You have played 4 tiles so far in this game

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Question 2

1 mark DisplayTilesInHand uses additional parameter containing the Tile means has been used to grant access to the dictionary, but marks 6 and not be available)

1 mark Loop to iterate through each character in the player's hand

1 mark Display the character

1 mark Display the value of letter taken from the TileDictionary

1 mark Code for printing, to include brackets and a single space after each character

```
def DisplayTilesInHand(PlayerTiles, TileDictionary):  
    print("\nYour current hand: " + PlayerTiles)  
    print("With values: ", end="")  
    for letter in PlayerTiles:  
        print(letter+" (" +str(TileDictionary[letter]) + ") ")  
    print()
```

1 mark Initial call for player's hand from HaveTurn uses new argument correctly

```
DisplayTilesInHand(PlayerTiles, TileDictionary)
```

1 mark Second call for player's hand from HaveTurn uses new argument correctly

```
elif Choice == 7:  
    DisplayTilesInHand(PlayerTiles, TileDictionary)
```

1 mark Screenshot showing correct output format, which should also include the

```
Your current hand: BTAHANDENONSARJ  
With values: B (2) T (1) A (1) H (3) A (1) N (1) D (2) E (1) N (1) O (1)
```

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Question 3

1 mark Removal of values 10, 21 and 24 from the selection structure that assigns

1 mark Inclusion of values 10, 21 and 24 in a new selection structure

1 mark These values, and only these values, assigned a score of 4

```
elif Count in [5, 7, 21]:  
    TileDictionary[chr(65 + Count)] = 3  
elif Count in [10, 21, 24]:  
    TileDictionary[chr(65 + Count)] = 4
```

1 mark Screenshot shows that K, V and Y are worth four points each

TILE VALUES

Points for A: 1
Points for B: 2
Points for C: 2
Points for D: 2
Points for E: 1
Points for F: 3
Points for G: 2
Points for H: 3
Points for I: 1
Points for J: 5
Points for K: 4
Points for L: 2
Points for M: 2
Points for N: 1
Points for O: 1
Points for P: 2
Points for Q: 5
Points for R: 1
Points for S: 1
Points for T: 1
Points for U: 2
Points for V: 4
Points for W: 3
Points for X: 5
Points for Y: 4
Points for Z: 5

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Question 4

1 mark Adding a score for *Player Three*

```
PlayerThreeScore = 50
```

1 mark Adding a tile count for *Player Three* and setting it to zero

```
PlayerThreeTilesPlayed = 0
```

1 mark *Player Three* hand filled with random tiles

```
def randomStart:
```

```
    PlayerOneTiles = GetStartingHand(TileQueue)
```

```
    PlayerTwoTiles = GetStartingHand(TileQueue)
```

```
    PlayerThreeTiles = GetStartingHand(TileQueue)
```

1 mark *Player Three*'s hand filled with tiles of letters A–O in the 'else' block

```
else:
```

```
    PlayerOneTiles = "BTAHANDENONSARJ"
```

```
    PlayerTwoTiles = "CELZXIOTNESMUAA"
```

```
    PlayerThreeTiles = "ABCDEFGHJKLMNO"
```

1 mark Logic expression in 'while' loop include tiles played for *Player Three*

1 mark Logic expression includes tiles played or size of hand and all logic is sound

```
while PlayerOneTilesPlayed <= MaxTilesPlayed and PlayerTwoTilesPlayed <= MaxTilesPlayed and PlayerThreeTilesPlayed <= MaxTilesPlayed and len(PlayerOneTiles) < MaxHandSize and len(PlayerTwoTiles) < MaxHandSize and len(PlayerThreeTiles) < MaxHandSize:
```

1 mark Call to `HaveTurn` with variables for tiles, tiles played and score for *Player Three*

```
    HaveTurn("Player Three", PlayerThreeTiles, PlayerThreeTilesPlayed, PlayerThreeScore, TileDictionary, TileQueue, AllTiles)
```

1 mark Call to `UpdateScoreWithPenalty` for *Player Three*

```
    PlayerThreeScore = UpdateScoreWithPenalty(PlayerThreeScore, PlayerThreeScore, PlayerThreeScore)
```

1 mark Call to `DisplayWinner` passes scores for all three players

```
DisplayWinner(PlayerOneScore, PlayerTwoScore, PlayerThreeScore)
```

1 mark Subroutine `DisplayWinner` has three parameters instead of two

1 mark Score for *Player Three* is displayed

```
def DisplayWinner(PlayerOneScore, PlayerTwoScore, PlayerThreeScore):
```

```
    print("\n***** GAME OVER! *****")
```

```
    print("Player One your score is", PlayerOneScore)
```

```
    print("Player Two your score is", PlayerTwoScore)
```

```
    print("Player Three your score is", PlayerThreeScore)
```

1 mark Correct logic for displaying 'Player One wins!'

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- 1 mark** Correct logic for displaying 'Player Two wins!'
- 1 mark** Correct logic for displaying 'Player Three wins!'
- 1 mark** 'No clear winner' displayed in 'else' block (**A**: if this has been written as covers all other combinations; **R**: if other text is displayed)

```

if PlayerOneScore > max([PlayerTwoScore, P
    print("Player One wins!")
elif PlayerTwoScore > max([PlayerOneScore,
    print("Player Two wins!")
elif PlayerThreeScore > max([PlayerOneScore
    print("Player Three wins!")
else:
    print("No clear winner!")
print()

```

- 1 mark** Prompt for *Player Three* to move after *Player Two* has moved with *Player* (ABCDEFGHIJKLMNO)

Player Two it is your turn.

Your current hand: CELZXIOTNESMUAA

Either:

enter the word you would like to play OR
 press 1 to play the letter values OR
 press 2 to view the tile queue OR
 press 7 to view your tiles again OR
 press 0 to fill hand and stop the game.

>plague

Not a valid attempt, you lose your turn.

Your word was: PLAGUE

Your new score is: 50

You have played 0 tiles so far in this game.

Press Enter to continue

Player Three it is your turn.

Your current hand: ABCDEFGHIJKLMNO

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Question 5

1 mark Use of a variable to store the score for the word (**A:** if no variable is used, `GetScoreForWord` forms part of the string concatenation to display '\n14 points.')

1 mark Call to `GetScoreForWord` to either initialise the variable or place the concatenated string

1 mark Correct parameters – `Choice`, `WordDictionary`

1 mark Concatenation incorporates all components stated in the question, including the word (**A:** full stop is not included, difference in case). Concatenation must use the variable used to store the score (if a variable was used).

```
if ValidWord:
    print()
    print("Valid word. " + Choice + " scores " + str(GetScoreForWord(Choice, WordDictionary)))
    print()
```

1 mark Input of word 'abandon' displays score worth 14 points (**DPT:** spacing error)

Valid word. ABANDON scores 14

Do you want to:

replace the tiles you used (1) OR

get three extra tiles (2) OR

replace the tiles you used and get three extra tiles (3) OR

get four new tiles (4)?



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Question 6

1 mark Class declaration (**R**: if name or case incorrect)

```
class Player:
```

1 mark Attributes declared with appropriate names or alternative names if meaningful

1 mark All three attributes initialised for the correct type of data (**R**: if any additional attributes only declared (first used) inside the constructor)

```
    _Score = 50
    _NumberOfTiles = 0
    _Tiles = []
```

1 mark Constructor declared with single parameter (in addition to self) TileQueue

1 mark _Score and _NumberOfTiles (or their equivalents) initialised to 50 and 0 respectively (if there were initialised with something else, initialising _Score and _NumberOfTiles if there were initialised with something else)

1 mark _Tiles (or its equivalent) initialised using a call to GetStartingHand

1 mark GetStartingHand contains correct parameters (**A**: **positive** integers)

```
def __init__(self, TileQueue):
    self._Score = 50
    self._NumberOfTiles = 0
    self._Tiles = GetStartingHand(TileQueue, 15)
```

1 mark Accessor methods (get and set) for _Score

```
def GetScore(self):
    return self._Score
```

```
def SetScore(self, score):
    self._Score = score
```

1 mark Accessor methods (get and set) for _NumberOfTiles

```
def GetNumberOfTiles(self):
    return self._NumberOfTiles
```

```
def SetNumberOfTiles(self, NumberOfTiles):
    self._NumberOfTiles = NumberOfTiles
```

1 mark Accessor methods (get and set) for _Tiles

```
def GetTiles(self):
    return self._Tiles
```

```
def SetTiles(self, Tiles):
    self._Tiles = Tiles
```

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Question 7

1 mark Addition of the extra option in GetChoice

```
def GetChoice():
    print()
    print("Either:")
    print("    enter the word you would like to play OR")
    print("    press 1 to display the letter values OR")
    print("    press 2 to swap all your letters OR")
    print("    press 4 to view the tile queue OR")
    print("    press 7 to view your tiles again OR")
    print("    press 0 to fill hand and stop the game.")
```

1 mark Incorporation of 'elif' clause to deal with 'choice' being '2'

1 mark Variable to temporarily store the new letters (A: valid repurposing of PlayerTiles)

1 mark Loop that runs once per letter in the original hand

1 mark Calling Remove and appending the character to the player's hand

1 mark Calling Add to keep the tile queue full

1 mark PlayerTiles contains the new letters

1 mark ValidChoice set to 'true' to prevent the main loop in HaveTurn repeating

1 mark NewTileChoice set to '4' to ensure that no new tiles are taken on top

1 mark Output of new hand

```
elif Choice == "2":
    NewPlayerTiles = ""
    for ReplaceTile in PlayerTiles:
        NewPlayerTiles += TileQueue.Remove()
        TileQueue.Add(ReplaceTile)
    PlayerTiles = NewPlayerTiles
    ValidChoice = True
    NewTileChoice = "4"
    print("Your new hand:", PlayerTiles)
```

1 mark Output to show the original hand, selection of '2' from the menu and the new hand (which comprises random letters)

```
=====
MAIN MENU
=====

1. Play game with random start hand
2. Play game with training start hand
9. Quit

Enter your choice: 2

Player One it is your turn.

Your current hand: BTAHNDFAK

Either:
    enter the word you would like to play OR
    press 1 to display the letter values OR
    press 2 to swap all your letters OR
    press 4 to view the tile queue OR
    press 7 to view your tiles again OR
    press 0 to fill hand and stop the game.
>2

Your new hand: WKQRXKBNUQKPFZA

Press Enter to continue
```

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Question 8

- 1 mark Suitable iterative structure used
- 1 mark Generation of a new letter exists inside the loop
- 1 mark Termination of loop depends on correctly choosing a letter that is not the one that was added to the queue
- 1 mark Incrementation of '_Rear' exists inside the loop
- 1 mark New letter is correctly added to the rear of the queue

```
def add(self):  
    if self._Rear < self._MaxSize - 1:  
        RandNo = random.randint(0, 25)  
        while self._Contents[self._Rear] == chr(RandNo):  
            RandNo = random.randint(0, 25)  
        self._Rear += 1  
        self._Contents[self._Rear] = chr(RandNo)
```

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Question 9

1 mark Options displayed to user

1 mark Declaration of variable to store input from this menu

1 mark Input assigned to variable

1 mark Declaration of variable to store file name

1 mark A choice of '1' on the previous menu will cause `aqawords.txt` to be used

1 mark A choice of '2' results in the user being prompted for a file name

1 mark Response of other than "1" or "2" results in them being asked to choose

1 mark String `.txt` appended to the user input file

1 mark Failure to open the file that they chose results in the `aqawords.txt` file

```
def LoadAllowedWords():
    AQAfile = "aqawords.txt"
    AllowedWords = []
    print()
    print("1: Default Dictionary")
    print("2: Custom Dictionary")
    Answer = input("> ")
    while Answer not in ["1","2"]:
        Answer = input("Please choose either 1 or 2: ")
    if Answer == "1":
        FileName = AQAfile
    else:
        FileName = input("Please enter the file name (without the .txt): ")
    try:
        wordsfile = open(FileName, "r")
    except:
        print("File not found:",FileName,"- using default instead")
        WordsFile = open(AQAfile, "r")
    try:
        for Word in WordsFile:
            AllowedWords.append(Word.strip().upper())
        WordsFile.close()
    except:
        pass
    return AllowedWords
```

1 mark Output shows the new menu, selection of '2' and prompting for the file

```
1: Default Dictionary
2: Custom Dictionary
> 2
Please enter the file name (without the .txt): testwords
```

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Question 10

1 mark 'if' clause after call to LoadAllowedWords

1 mark 'if' clause compares list length correctly, i.e. == 0 or <1

1 mark Suitable output message

1 mark Exception correctly raised (and of the correct type)

```
if len(AllowedWords) == 0:
    raise RuntimeError("Dictionary file not found")
```

1 mark Output displays welcome message followed by 'Dictionary file not found' has ended

```
+++++
+ Welcome to the WORDS WITH AQA game +
+++++
```

Traceback (most recent call last):

```
File "/Users/appler/Documents/ZigZag/AQA prelim 2017-18/Python3
/Python3 Q10.py", line 288, in <module>
    Main()
File "/Users/appler/Documents/ZigZag/AQA prelim 2017-18/Python3
/Python3 Q10.py", line 272, in Main
    raise RuntimeError("Dictionary file not found")
RuntimeError: Dictionary file not found
>>>
```

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Question 11

1 mark Message correctly placed (even if message is incorrect) before call to GetNewTileChoice()

```
PlayerTiles, PlayerScore, PlayerTilesPlayed = UpdateAfterDraw()
print("You have", len(PlayerTiles), "tiles remaining.")
NewTileChoice = GetNewTileChoice()
```

1 mark Message correctly placed (even if message is incorrect) immediately after AddEndOfTurnTiles() if message is added outside the 'if' clause, but a 'continue' clause to prevent the message being redisplayed in the event that no new tiles are drawn

1 mark String concatenation to display message in the specified format in both cases

```
if NewTileChoice != "4":
    TileQueue, PlayerTiles = AddEndOfTurnTiles(TileQueue, 1)
    print("You have", len(PlayerTiles), "tiles remaining.")
```

1 mark Output showing 12 tiles before the draw and 18 afterwards

Valid word

You have 12 tiles remaining.

Do you want to:

replace the tiles you used (1) OR

get three extra tiles (2) OR

replace the tiles you used and get three extra tiles (3)

get no new tiles (4)?

>3

You have 18 tiles remaining

Your word was: HAND

Your new score is: 34

You have played 3 tiles so far in this game.

Press Enter to continue

1 mark Output showing 11 tiles before the draw, then not displaying the message 'Your word was: HAND'

Valid word

You have 11 tiles remaining.

Do you want to:

replace the tiles you used (1) OR

get three extra tiles (2) OR

replace the tiles you used and get three extra tiles (3)

get no new tiles (4)?

>4

Your word was: HAND

Your new score is: 37

You have played 4 tiles so far in this game.

Press Enter to continue

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Question 12

- 1 mark** Class declaration (**R**: if name or case incorrect)
- 1 mark** Attributes declared with appropriate names (**R**: if any other names are used)
- 1 mark** Constructor has a parameter for the letter (**A**: if named other than 'Letter')
- 1 mark** Constructor has a parameter for the dictionary (**A**: if named other than 'TilteDictionary')
- 1 mark** `_Letter` attribute set using Letter parameter
- 1 mark** Attribute `_Score` contains upper-case version of character
- 1 mark** `_Score` attribute set by extracting a value from the dictionary (even if value incorrect)
- 1 mark** Selection to isolate either vowels or consonants (even if it would not work)
- 1 mark** Selection would always isolate vowels/consonants, bearing in mind that it would be upper case or lower case
- 1 mark** `_isVowel` attribute set correctly

```
class LetterTile:
    _Letter = "" # a single character string containing the letter
    _Score = 0 # the score value for the letter
    _IsVowel = False # True if the letter is A, E, I O or U

    def __init__(self, Letter, TileDictionary):
        self._Letter = Letter
        self._Score = TileDictionary[Letter]
        self._IsVowel = self._Letter in ["A", "E", "I", "O", "U"]
```

- 1 mark** Access methods with appropriate names (**A**: any reasonable/sensible names)

```
def GetLetter(self):
    return _Letter

def GetScore(self):
    return _Score

def IsVowel(self):
    return _IsVowel
```

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Question 13

1 mark New entry in DisplayMenu

```
print("2. Play game with training start hand")
print("3. Settings")
print("9. Quit")
```

1 mark 'elif' added to main to detect entry of '3'

1 mark Prompts for all four variables (K: alternative wording) (A: doing this in separate functions)

```
choice == "3":
    MaxHandSize, MaxTilesPlayed, NoOfEndOfTurnTiles, StartHandSize = GetSettings()
```

1 mark Attempt (even if unsuccessful) to convert inputs to integers

1 mark Syntactically valid string → integer conversion for all inputs

1 mark Input prompts relate correctly to all four variables

```
def GetSettings():
    MaxHandSize = int(input("Enter maximum hand size: "))
    MaxTilesPlayed = int(input("Enter maximum tiles played: "))
    NoOfEndOfTurnTiles = int(input("Enter default new tiles: "))
    StartHandSize = int(input("Enter starting hand size: "))
    return MaxHandSize, MaxTilesPlayed, NoOfEndOfTurnTiles, StartHandSize
```

1 mark Output showing values 25, 40, 2 and 10 entered, with 10 indicating the hand should now be 10 characters long instead of 15

```
=====
MAIN MENU
=====
1. Play game with random start hand
2. Play game with training start hand
3. Settings
9. Quit
```

```
Enter your choice: 3
Enter maximum hand size: 25
Enter maximum tiles played: 40
Enter default new tiles: 2
Enter starting hand size: 10
```

```
=====
MAIN MENU
=====
```

```
1. Play game with random start hand
2. Play game with training start hand
3. Settings
9. Quit
```

```
Enter your choice: 1
```

```
Player One it is your turn.
```

```
Your current hand: TMNPVBXCOV
```

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Question 14

1 mark Variable to track the iterations so that a vowel is guaranteed every third

`_NumTilesAdded = 0`

1 mark `_Rear` is still incremented before any letter is added

1 mark Selection structure to determine whether to add a vowel or a random letter every third time

1 mark New variable is added to ensure the switch between selecting a vowel or a random letter every third time, but any equivalent approach is acceptable

1 mark Random letter still correctly added to the array

1 mark Random number generator selects from vowels, giving each equal probability

1 mark Vowel is correctly added to the array

1 mark Variable is changed to ensure that the next selection will be a random letter

```
def Add(self):
    if self._Rear < self._MaxSize - 1:
        RandNo = random.randint(0, 25)
        if self._NumTilesAdded >= 3:
            if self._NumTilesAdded % 3 == 0: #choose a vowel
                while RandNo not in [0, 4, 8, 14, 20]:
                    RandNo = random.randint(0, 25)
            else: # choose a consonant
                while RandNo in [0, 4, 8, 14, 20]:
                    RandNo = random.randint(0, 25)
            self._NumTilesAdded += 1
        self._Rear += 1
        self._Contents[self._Rear] = chr(65 + RandNo)
```

1 mark Selecting the random starting hand should display every third letter as a vowel (any other letters could be anything)

Enter your choice: 1

Player One it is your turn.

Your current hand: KEIMQEHXUDBUCLU

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Question 15

1 mark Call to `ResolveBlanks`, with `Choice` as an argument, before the call to

1 mark Value returned from call to `ResolveBlanks` stored in a new variable

1 mark New variable passed as the first argument to `CheckWordIsValid`

else:

```
ValidWord = CheckWordIsValidInTiles(Choice, PlayerTiles)
if ValidWord:
    WordToPlay = ResolveBlanks(Choice)
    WordToPlay = CheckWordIsValid(WordToPlay, AllowedWords)
```

1 mark "-" letter added to `TileDictionary` with a value of 0 (by modifying `TileDictionary`)

```
else:
    TileDictionary[chr(65 + Count)] = 5
    TileDictionary["-"] = 0
    return TileDictionary
```

1 mark Method declaration for `ResolveBlanks` with one parameter (**R:** any of variation in case) (**A:** Any sensible name for the parameter)

1 mark Variable to store user input for the value of a blank tile

1 mark Loop to ensure all dashes are found (**R:** if not, it would fail in the absence of a dash)

1 mark Selection statement to handle missing presence of a dash

1 mark User is prompted to enter value of blank tile: (**R:** alternative wording)

1 mark User input is stored in variable

1 mark Input is converted to upper case

1 mark Dash would be replaced by the user input in all cases

1 mark Structure ensures that all dashes would be replaced by characters entered

1 mark Word correctly returned (with letters instead of blanks)

```
def ResolveBlanks(PlayerWord):
    Word = ""
    for Letter in PlayerWord:
        if Letter == "-":
            Letter = input("Enter value for blank tile:").upper()
            Word += Letter
    return Word
```

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1 mark Output for han--, followed by entering 'd' then 'y', results in 'Valid word'

```
>han--

Enter value of blank tile:d
Enter value of blank tile:y

Valid word

Do you want to:
  replace the tiles you used (1) OR
  get three extra tiles (2) OR
  replace the tiles you used and get three extra tiles (3)
  or no new tiles (4)?
>4

Your word was: HAN--
Your new score is: 55
You have played 5 tiles so far in this game.

Press Enter to continue
```

1 mark Output for ha--- results in 'Not a valid attempt, you lose your turn.'

```
Your current hand: --AHANDENONSARJ

Either:
  enter the word you would like to play OR
  press 1 to display the letter values OR
  press 4 to view the tile queue OR
  press 7 to replace your tiles again OR
  press 0 to refill hand and stop the game.
>1

Not a valid attempt, you lose your turn.

Your word was: HA---
Your new score is: 50
You have played 0 tiles so far in this game.

Press Enter to continue
```

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