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## **Question 2: Word Pair**

Part (a)	WordPairList	5 points			
Intent: Form pairs of strings from an array and add to an ArrayList					
+1	Creates new ArrayList and assigns to allPairs				
+1	Accesses all elements of words (no bounds errors)				
+1	Constructs new WordPair using distinct elements of words				
+1	Adds all necessary pairs of elements from word array to allPairs				
+1	<b>On exit:</b> allPairs contains all necessary pairs and no unnecessary pairs				

numMatches

4 points

**Intent:** Count the number of pairs in an *ArrayList* that have the same value

- +1 Accesses all elements in allPairs (no bounds errors)
- +1 Calls getFirst or getSecond on an element from list of pairs
- +1 Compares first and second components of a pair in the list
- +1 Counts number of matches of pair-like values

#### **Question-Specific Penalties**

Part (b)

-1 (z) Constructor returns a value

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### **Question 2: Scoring Notes**

Part (a) WordPairList			5 points
Points	Rubric Criteria	Responses earn the point if they	Responses will not earn the point if they
+1	Creates new ArrayList and assigns to allPairs	<ul> <li>allPairs = new ArrayList();</li> <li>allPairs = new ArrayList&lt;&gt;();</li> <li>this.allPairs =</li> </ul>	• initialize a local variable that is never assigned to allPairs
+1	Accesses all elements of words (no bounds errors)		
+1	Constructs new WordPair using distinct elements of words		
+1	Adds all necessary pairs of elements from word array to allPairs	<ul><li> have a loop bounds error</li><li> add unnecessary pairs</li></ul>	<ul> <li>improperly add to an ArrayList,</li> <li>e.g., allPairs.get(i) = x;</li> <li>only add consecutive pairs (words[i], words[i+1])</li> </ul>
+1	<b>On exit:</b> allPairs contains all necessary pairs and no unnecessary pairs	<ul> <li>improperly add to an ArrayList, e.g., allPairs.get(i) = x;</li> <li>have a loop bounds error</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>add pairs (i, i) or (i, j) where i &gt; j</li> </ul>
Part (b) numMatches			4 points
Points	Rubric Criteria	Responses earn the point if they	Responses will not earn the point if they
+1	Accesses all elements in allPairs (no bounds errors)		• access elements of allPairs as array elements (e.g., allPairs[i])
+1	Calls getFirst or getSecond on an element from list of pairs		
+1	Compares first and second components of a pair in the list		<ul> <li>compare using ==</li> </ul>
+1	Counts number of matches of pair-like values		• fail to initialize the counter

Return is not assessed in part (b).