

# hxie13

1. Write a program that uses write() to print out "Hi! My name is <Your Name>".

```
#include <unistd.h>
int main() {
    write(1, "Hi! My name is Handi Xie", 20);
    return 0;}
```

Grade: 50%

2. Write a function to print out a triangle of height n to standard error.

```
#include <unistd.h>

void write_triangle(int n){
    if (n <= 0){
        exit(1);
    }
    int len, star;
    for(len = 1; len <= n ; len++) {
        for (star = 0; star < len; star++){
            write(STDERR_FILENO, "*", 1);
        }
        write(STDERR_FILENO, "\n", 1);
    }
}

int main() {
    //testing
    write_triangle(0);

    return 0;}
```

Grade: 100%

3. Take your program from "Hello, World!" and modify it write to a file called "hello\_world.txt".

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main() {
    mode_t mode = S_IRUSR | S_IWUSR;
    int fildes = open("hello_world.txt", O_CREAT | O_TRUNC | O_RDWR, mode);
    write(fildes, "Hi! My name is Handi Xie", 20);
    close(fildes);
    return 0;}
```

Grade: 100%

**4. Take your program from "Writing to files" and replace write() with printf().**

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main() {
    mode_t mode = S_IRUSR | S_IWUSR;
    close(1);
    int fildes = open("hello_world1.txt", O_CREAT | O_TRUNC | O_RDWR, mode);
    printf("%s", "Hi! My name is Handi Xie");
    close(fildes);
    return 42;}
```

Grade: **100%**

**5. What are some differences between write() and printf()?**

Write() is designed to only write a sequence of bytes and is considered too basic. Printf() is a function that convert your data into a formatted sequence of bytes and that calls write() to write those bytes onto the output.  
----- Quoted from Stackoverflow

Grade: **100%**

**6. How many bits are there in a byte?**

8

Grade: **100%**

**7. How many bytes are there in a char?**

1

Grade: **100%**

**8. How many bytes are each of the following on your machine?**

4 8 4 4 8

Grade: **100%**

**9. Refer to code snippet below. If the address of data is 0x7fbd9d40, then what is the address of data+2?**

0x7fbd9d48

Grade: **0%**

**10. What is data[3] equivalent to in C?**

0x7fbd9d4c

Grade: **0%**

**11. Why does the code snippet below segfault?**

String is immutable

Grade: **100%**

**12. What does sizeof("Hello\0World") return?**

12

Grade: **100%**

**13. What does strlen("Hello\0World") return?**

5

Grade: **100%**

**14. Give an example of X such that sizeof(X) is 3.**

char\* temp = "241"; size of temp is 3

Grade: **0%**

**15. Give an example of Y such at sizeof(Y) might be 4 or 8 depending on the machine.**

Pointers will be 4 on a 32-bit system, and 8 on a 64-bit system

Grade: **100%**

**16. What are two ways to find the length of argv?**

argc is the length of argv; or loop over until argv[index] points to NULL

Grade: **100%**

**17. What does argv[0] represent?**

The program name

Grade: **50%**

**18. Where are the pointers to environment variables stored?**

top of the process memory layout, above the stack | they are not stored in files  
but in the process' own memory

Grade: **100%**

**19. Refer to the code snippet below. What are the values of sizeof(ptr) and sizeof(array)?**

sizeof(ptr) is 4 because that is the size of a pointer, and size of array is 6 because the size of the char array represents the 5 bytes it uses for "Hello" and also another for the "\0" in the end

Grade: **75%**

**Feedback:** The question says the size of pointers is 8 bytes.

**20. What data structure manages the lifetime of automatic variables?**

Stack

Grade: **100%**

**21. If I want to use data after the lifetime of the function it was created in ends, where should I put it? How do I put it there?**

Heap by using malloc, realloc, and calloc

Grade: **100%**

**22. Fill in the blank: "In a good C program, for every malloc, there is a \_\_\_\_".**

free

Grade: **100%**

**23. What is one reason malloc can fail?**

Not enough space

Grade: **100%**

**24. What are some differences between time() and ctime()?**

Time() returns the seconds after 1970 and as a time\_t object  
Ctime() interprets the value pointed by timer as a calendar time and converts it to a C-string containing a human-readable version of the corresponding time and date, in terms of local time, and it returns in a C-type string.  
quoted from cplusplus.com

Grade: **100%**

**25. What is wrong with this code snippet?**

Double free

Grade: **100.0%**

## 26. What is wrong with this code snippet?.1

Make use of freed pointers.

Grade: 100%

## 27. How can one avoid the previous two mistakes?

Set them to NULL to avoid dangling pointers.

Grade: 100%

## 28. Create a struct that represents a Person, and then make a typedef, so that "struct Person" can be replaced with a single word.

```
#include <stdio.h>

struct Person{
    char* name;
    int* age;
    struct Person* friends;
}

typedef struct Person person_t;

int main() {
    return 0;
}
```

Grade: 100%

## 29. Now make two persons on the heap, "Agent Smith" and "Sonny Moore", who are 128 and 256 years old respectively and are friends with each other.

```
#include <stdio.h>

struct Person{
    char* name;
    int* age;
    struct Person* friends;
}

typedef struct Person person_t;

int main() {
    person_t* p1 = (person_t*) malloc(sizeof(person_t));
    person_t* p2 = (person_t*) malloc(sizeof(person_t));
    p1 -> name = "Agent Smith";
    p1 -> age = 128;
    p2 -> name = "Sonny Moore";
    p2 -> age = 256;
    return 0;
}
```

Grade: 70%

Feedback: friend definition wrong

### 30. Create functions to create and destroy a Person on the heap.

```
#include <stdio.h>

struct Person{
    char* name;
    int* age;
    struct Person* friends;
}

typedef struct Person person_t;

person_t* person_create(char* aname, int* aage) {
    person_t * prn = (person_t) malloc(sizeof(person_t));
    if (aname == NULL){
        ret -> name = "Average Joe";
    }
    if (aage == NULL){
        ret -> age = 18;
    }
    prn -> name = strdup(aname);
    prn -> age = strdup(aage);
    person_t * afriends = (person_t) malloc(sizeof(person_t)*10);
    prn -> friends = afriends;
    return prn;
}

person_t* person_destroy(person_t* prn){
    free(prn->name);
    free(prn->age);
    memset(prn->friends, 0, sizeof(person_t));
    free(prn);
}

int main() {

    return 0;
}
```

Grade: 100%

### 31. What functions can be used for getting characters from stdin and writing them to stdout?

gets() and puts()

Grade: 100%

**32. Name one issue with gets().**

It needs to have a buffer declared and it could have been overflowed and you can't tell whether the input is too long for it.

Grade: **100%**

**33. Write code that parses the string "Hello 5 World" and initializes 3 variables to "Hello", 5, and "World").**

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    char * data = "Hello 5 World";

    char buffer[20];
    int score = -42;
    char buffer2[20];

    sscanf(data, "%s %d %s", buffer, & score, buffer2);
    return 0;
}
```

Grade: **100%**

**34. What does one need to define before including getline()?**

```
#define _GNU_SOURCE
```

Grade: **100%**

**35. Write a C program to print out the contents of a file line-by-line using getline().**

```
int main() {
    FILE * fp; // to be initialized
    char *buffer = NULL;
    size_t capacity = 0;
    ssize_t result = getline(&buffer, &capacity, fp);

    while (result != -1){
        printf("%s\n", buffer);
        result = getline(&buffer, &capacity, fp);
    }
}
```

Grade: **90%**

**Feedback:** Had to use fopen to actually open any random file.

**36. What compiler flag is used to generate a debug build?**

-g

Grade: **100%**

**37. You modify the makefile to generate debug builds and type make again. Explain why this is insufficient to generate a new build.**

Because a better way to make build is to use option flags in make file to generate a new build.

Grade: 0%

**38. Are tabs or spaces used to indent the commands after the rule in a Makefile?**

tab

Grade: 100%

**39. What are the differences between heap and stack memory?**

Heap stays and stacks get zeroed out by stack pointer after used, and heap needs to be freed.

Grade: 100%

**40. Are there other kinds of memory in a process?**

Data Segment

Grade: 100%

**41. Convert your a song lyrics into System Programming and C code covered in this wiki book and share on Piazza.**

[No response]

**42. Find, in your opinion, the best and worst C code on the web and post the link to Piazza.**

[No response]

**43. Write a short C program with a deliberate subtle C bug and post it on Piazza to see if others can spot your bug.**

[No response]

**Final grade: 85.875%**