

Quiz 14–17: While-Loops

Part A — While-loop basics

1) While-loop facts (True/False)

1. True
 2. True
 3. True
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2) Count down (what does it print?)

Output:

```
5
3
1
done
```

3) Fix the bug (infinite loop)

Corrected line:

```
x = x - 1
```

4) First number bigger than 10 (what does it print?)

Output:

```
not yet: 2
not yet: 5
not yet: 8
found: 11
```

5) Count jumps by 4 (write code)

One correct completion (matches the example that counts the jump that passes `limit`):

```
start = 3
limit = 20

count = 0

while True:
    if start > limit:
        break
    start = start + 4
    count = count + 1

print(count)
```

Part B – Digits (using `//` and `%`)

6) Count digits (what does it print?)

Output:

```
4
```

7) Last digit + remove last digit (fill in the blanks)

Blanks:

- `% 10`
- `// 10`

Completed code:

```
n = 735

while n > 0:
    last = n % 10
    print(last)
    n = n // 10
```

Output:

```
5  
3  
7
```

8) Sum of digits (fill in the blanks)

Blanks:

- `% 10`
- `digit`
- `// 10`

Completed code:

```
n = 409  
total = 0  
  
while n > 0:  
    digit = n % 10  
    total = total + digit  
    n = n // 10  
  
print(total)
```

Output:

```
13
```

9) Collatz game (what does it print?)

Output:

```
7  
22  
11  
34  
17  
52  
26  
13  
40  
20  
10  
5  
16  
8  
4  
2  
1
```

10) Factors using `while` (write code)

One correct completion:

```
n = 12  
  
i = 1  
  
while i <= n:  
    if n % i == 0:  
        print(i)  
    i = i + 1
```

Output:

```
1  
2  
3  
4  
6  
12
```

Part C — Palindrome with two pointers (strings)

11) Palindrome facts (True/False)

1. True
 2. True
 3. True
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12) Trace the pointers (fill in)

- First comparison: `s[left]` is "r" and `s[right]` is "r"
 - After one successful match: `left` becomes 1 and `right` becomes 5
 - Second comparison: `s[left]` is "a" and `s[right]` is "a"
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13) Read code and reason (what does it print?)

Output:

```
True  
False
```

14) Palindrome checker (write code)

One correct completion:

```
s = "madam"

left = 0
right = len(s) - 1
palindrome = True

while left < right:
    if s[left] != s[right]:
        palindrome = False
        break

    left = left + 1
    right = right - 1

if palindrome:
    print("YES")
else:
    print("NO")
```

Part D – Swap and reverse

15) Swap two numbers (fill in the blanks)

Blanks:

- a
- b
- temp

Completed code:

```
a = 6
b = 7

temp = a
a = b
b = temp

print(a, b)
```

Output:

```
7 6
```

16) Reverse a list in-place (what does it print?)

Output:

```
[5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
```

17) Fix the reverse bug (one line)

Corrected line:

```
right = right - 1
```

Part E — Move zeros to the end

18) Fill in the blanks: move zeros in-place

Blanks:

- `write = 0`
- `read = 0`
- `numbers[write] = numbers[read]`
- `write = write + 1`
- `read = read + 1`
- `while k < len(numbers):`
- `numbers[k] = 0`
- `k = k + 1`

Completed code:

```
numbers = [0, 1, 0, 3, 0, 2]

write = 0
read = 0

# Step 1: copy nonzeros forward
while read < len(numbers):
    if numbers[read] != 0:
        numbers[write] = numbers[read]
        write = write + 1
    read = read + 1

# Step 2: fill zeros from write to the end
k = write
while k < len(numbers):
    numbers[k] = 0
    k = k + 1

print(numbers)
```

Output:

```
[1, 3, 2, 0, 0, 0]
```

