# Input validation

### Setup

- 1. Create a new Visual Studio C++ project called InputValidation.
- 2. Add 3 new source files to the project, called Main.cpp, ConsoleInput.cpp, and ConsoleInputTest.cpp.
- 3. Add 2 new header files to the project, called ConsoleInput.h and ConsoleInputTest.h.
- 4. Each .cpp file (except Main.cpp) should #include only the corresponding .h file (using quotes, not angle brackets).
- 5. Each .h file (as well as Main.cpp) should:
  - a. #include any required library headers, such as iostream, string, etc. (using angle brackets).
  - b. **#include** any <u>required</u> project headers, such as **StringConversions.h**, etc. (using quotes).

### A: ConsoleInput functions

#### 1. char readChar()

- a. Read a character from the user through the console, using **cin**.
- b. Ignore all remaining characters in **cin**, up to and including the newline character.
- c. Return the character.

#### 2. string readWord()

- a. Read a string from the user through the console, using **cin**.
- b. Ignore all remaining characters in **cin**, up to and including the newline character.
- c. Return the string.

### 3. string readLine()

- a. Declare a string.
- b. Call the **getLine(...)** function, passing **cin** and the string variable as arguments.

  This function, from standard library header **string**, will fill the given string with a line of text from the given input stream (in this case, **cin**).
- c. Return the string.

#### 4. int readInt()

- a. Read an integer from the user through the console, using **cin**.
- b. Repeatedly, as long as the input was not a valid integer:
  - i. Clear **cin**'s error state.
  - ii. Ignore all remaining characters in **cin**, up to and including the newline character.
  - iii. Display a clear and informative error message to the user.
  - iv. Re-read an integer from the user.
- c. Return the integer.

#### 5. double readDouble()

- a. Read a double from the user through the console, using cin.
- b. Repeatedly, as long as the input was not a valid double:
  - i. Clear **cin**'s error state.
  - ii. Ignore all remaining characters in **cin**, up to and including the newline character.
  - iii. Display a clear and informative error message to the user.
  - iv. Re-read a double from the user.
- c. Return the double.

### A: ConsoleInput functions (continued)

- 6. char readChar(string message)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using **cout**.
  - b. Call readChar() and return the result.
- 7. string readWord(string message)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using **cout**.
  - b. Call readWord() and return the result.
- 8. string readLine(string message)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using **cout**.
  - b. Call readLine() and return the result.
- 9. int readInt(string message)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using cout.
  - b. Call **readint()** and return the result.
- 10. double readDouble(string message)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using **cout**.
  - b. Call readDouble() and return the result.

### A: ConsoleInputTest functions

- 1. Declare a constant integer global variable **iterations**, and set it to be 5, for example.
- 2. void testReadChar()
  - a. Display an appropriate test title in the console.
  - b. Declare an array of characters, with size equal to iterations.
  - c. Using a loop, call the **readChar(string)** function a total number of times equal to **iterations**.
  - d. In each case, store the return value of the function call in the corresponding array element.
  - e. Using a second loop, display each element of the array.
- 3. void testReadWord()
  - a. Test the readWord(string) function in an analogous way.
- 4. void testReadLine()
  - a. Test the **readLine(string)** function in an analogous way.
- 5. void testReadInt()
  - a. Test the **readInt(string)** function in an analogous way.
- 6. void testReadDouble()
  - a. Test the **readDouble(string)** function in an analogous way.

### B: ConsoleInput functions

- 1. char readChar(char options[], int optionsCount)
  - a. Read a character from the user using readChar().
  - b. If the user's character is <u>not</u> in the **options** array:
    - i. The character is invalid, so display a clear and informative error message.
    - ii. Repeat from (a).
  - c. Else, return the character.
- 2. int readInt(int min, int max)
  - a. Read an integer from the user using readInt().
  - b. If the user's integer is not between min and max (inclusive):
    - i. The integer is invalid, so display a clear and informative error message.
    - ii. Repeat from (a).
  - c. Else, return the integer.
- 3. double readDouble(double min, double max)
  - a. Read an double from the user using readDouble().
  - b. If the user's double is not between **min** and **max** (inclusive):
    - i. The double is invalid, so display a clear and informative error message.
    - ii. Repeat from (a).
  - c. Else, return the double.
- 4. char readChar(string message, char options[], int optionsCount)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using cout.
  - b. Call readChar(string, char), passing the appropriate arguments, and return the result.
- 5. int readInt(string message, int min, int max)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using **cout**.
  - b. Call readInt(int, int), passing the appropriate arguments, and return the result.
- 6. double readDouble(string message, double min, double max)
  - a. Display the message to the user through the console, using cout.
  - b. Call readDouble(double, double), passing the appropriate arguments, and return the result.

## B: ConsoleInputTest functions

- 1. void testReadChar(char options[], int optionsCount)
  - a. Test the **readCharInt(string, char[], int)** function.
- 2. void testReadInt(int min, int max)
  - a. Test the readInt(string, int, int) function.
- 3. void testReadDouble(double min, double max)
  - a. Test the readDouble(string, double, double) function.