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**List five or more Arduino functions that you think will be helpful in programming your robot and describe what they would do for your robot.**

`pinMode(pin, mode);` This will initialize digital pins to input or output.  
`digitalWrite(pin, value);` This writes high or low values to a digital output pin.  
`digitalRead(pin);` This reads values from a digital input pin.  
`Serial.available();` This checks if there is data ready to be read from the serial port and how many bytes it is.  
`analogRead(pin);` Reads values from an analog pin.  
`analogWrite(pin, val);` Writes values to an analog pin.

**Based on this semester's competition, discuss how you could use Xbee wireless communication. What commands/information you would send from the Arduino Uno, and at what point during the system's operations? How would your system store this information and/or what actions would it take based on it?**

The Xbee wireless communicator could be used to send new instructions to your robot before you start it back up once it's reset. It could also be used to send a start signal to start the process of building a vehicle. Depending on the code it could save the data in a variable, and carry out whatever the code tells it to with that data.

**Imagine you need to transmit three pieces of data from an Arduino Uno (being used as a remote control) to an Arduino Mega (which is operating an RC car that you built). The three pieces of information are: a servo angle of 120, a motor power value of 0, and an LED color value of 'r'.**

**a. Provide code, or pseudocode, for the Uno of how you would package this data to send it.**

```
// Begin serial and create mySerial on uno
SoftwareSerial mySerial (pin1, pin2);
Serial.begin(9600);

// Define values
int servoAngle = 120;
int motorPower = 0;
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```
char LEDColor = 'r';

// Write values to Xbee serial
mySerial.write(255);
mySerial.write(servoAngle);
mySerial.write(motorPower);
mySerial.write(LEDColor);
```

**b. Provide code, or pseudocode, for the Mega of how you would receive this data packet and store the correct values in the correct variables.**

```
// Begin serial communication
Serial.begin(9600);
Serial1.begin(9600);

//Read values from Xbee
if(Serial1.available() > 3){
    if(Serial1.read() == 255){
        servoAngle = Serial1.read();
        motorPower = Serial1.read();
        LEDColor = Serial1.read();
    }
}
```