

The goal of this lab is to help you get familiar with sorting data in an array.

## Due Date

You must demonstrate the solution to this lab exercise to the instructor by **Wednesday, October 2, 2019**, in order to receive full credit for this work.

## Lab Setup

1. Create the project using Visual Studio.
2. Download the ZIP file for **Lab 8.1** from Moodle.
3. Copy the sample input files, **firstTen.txt**, and **presidents.txt** from the Lab 8.1 ZIP file to the same folder where your source file is located.

## Programming Exercise

This lab exercise involves writing a short program to do the following:

- Prompt the user for an input file name. Open this file for input. The file contains the names of people (one per line).
- Read the contents of the file into an array of **string** objects. (The maximum number of names for the array should be at least 50.)
- Display the input names, in the order they appear in the file.
- Modify the selection sort algorithm from the textbook so that it works with **string** objects, instead of integers. (This may require some research: check the textbook index and/or [www.cplusplus.com](http://www.cplusplus.com).)
- Display the sorted list.

## Add Descriptive Output Statements

Add code to the selection sort that describes each **swap** operation that the algorithm executes. The format of each line of this output should be:

**Swap** `[indexA]` *stringA* **with** `[indexB]` *stringB*

(The sample output on the next page illustrates this output.)

## Sample Data Files

The ZIP file for this lab exercise contains two sample data files, which can be used to test your program:

Input file: firstTen.txt
Washington, George Adams, John Jefferson, Thomas Madison, James Monroe, James Adams, John Quincy Jackson, Andrew Van Buren, Martin Harrison, William Henry Tyler, John

The program output for **firstTen.txt** is shown below. (In this example, the text that the user types is shown in **BOLD** font. The actual input / output will all be displayed in the same font.)

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                                Output from processing the firstTen.txt file
Enter name of input file: firstTen.txt
10 lines of text read from input file.
Here are the unsorted names:
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[ 0] Washington, George
[ 1] Adams, John
[ 2] Jefferson, Thomas
[ 3] Madison, James
[ 4] Monroe, James
[ 5] Adams, John Quincy
[ 6] Jackson, Andrew
[ 7] Van Buren, Martin
[ 8] Harrison, William Henry
[ 9] Tyler, John

Swap [ 1]           Adams, John with [ 0]           Washington, George
Swap [ 5]           Adams, John Quincy with [ 1]       Washington, George
Swap [ 8]   Harrison, William Henry with [ 2]           Jefferson, Thomas
Swap [ 6]           Jackson, Andrew with [ 3]           Madison, James
Swap [ 8]           Jefferson, Thomas with [ 4]           Monroe, James
Swap [ 6]           Madison, James with [ 5]           Washington, George
Swap [ 8]           Monroe, James with [ 6]           Washington, George
Swap [ 9]           Tyler, John with [ 7]           Van Buren, Martin
Swap [ 9]           Van Buren, Martin with [ 8]       Washington, George

Here are the names sorted:
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[ 0] Adams, John
[ 1] Adams, John Quincy
[ 2] Harrison, William Henry
[ 3] Jackson, Andrew
[ 4] Jefferson, Thomas
[ 5] Madison, James
[ 6] Monroe, James
[ 7] Tyler, John
[ 8] Van Buren, Martin
[ 9] Washington, George
Press any key to continue . . .

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The second sample data file, **presidents.txt**, contains the names of all U.S. Presidents. (This file and its associated text output are too large to include in the lab document.)