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# Operating System Support

```
ecall
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- This is not a standard machine instruction but rather a **programmable instruction** that allows you to request services from the operating system, also known as system call.
- The arguments that specify what action we need the OS to take are provided in \$a7.
- Selfie supports these ecalls: read, write, open, malloc, and exit.
- The implementation of each of these ecalls is in handleSystemCall().

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