

Multiple Choice Quiz: Pointers and Structures in C++

1. What is a pointer in C++?

- A) A variable that stores a value
- B) A variable that stores a memory address
- C) A data structure
- D) A function

2. What operator is used to get the address of a variable?

- A) *
- B) &
- C) ->
- D) .

3. What does the * operator do when used with a pointer?

- A) Gets the address
- B) Declares a pointer
- C) Dereferences to access the value
- D) Deletes memory

4. How do you initialize a null pointer in C++?

- A) ptr = 0;
- B) ptr = nullptr;
- C) ptr = NULL;
- D) Both B and C

5. Where is stack memory allocated in C++?

- A) For dynamic variables
- B) For local variables
- C) For global variables
- D) For pointers only

6. Which keyword allocates memory on the heap?

- A) malloc
- B) new
- C) alloc
- D) create

7. What must be done to prevent memory leaks in C++?

- A) Use nullptr
- B) Use delete to free memory
- C) Use stack memory only
- D) Initialize pointers

8. How do you free memory for a dynamically allocated array?

- A) delete ptr;
- B) delete[] ptr;
- C) free ptr;
- D) clear ptr;

9. What is a C++ structure?

- A) A loop construct
- B) A user-defined data type grouping variables
- C) A pointer type
- D) A memory allocation function

10. How do you access a structure member using a pointer?

- A) .
- B) ->
- C) &
- D) *

11. What is the output of this code? `int x = 5; int* ptr = &x; *ptr = 10; std::cout << x;`

- A) 5
- B) 10
- C) Address of x
- D) Error

12. Which memory type is managed automatically in C++?

- A) Heap
- B) Stack
- C) Global
- D) Dynamic

13. What is the purpose of setting a pointer to nullptr after deletion?

- A) To allocate new memory
- B) To prevent dangling pointers
- C) To increase performance
- D) To access the value

14. Which operator is used to access structure members for a non-pointer object?

- A) ->
- B) .
- C) *
- D) &

15. What is a use of pointers in C++?

- A) Declaring variables
- B) Dynamic memory allocation
- C) Creating loops
- D) Defining functions

16. What happens if you access a pointer after deleting its memory?

- A) Program runs normally
- B) Undefined behavior
- C) Memory is reallocated
- D) Pointer becomes nullptr

17. In a structure `struct Point { int x; int y; };`, how is `x` accessed for `Point p;`?

- A) `p->x`
- B) `p.x`
- C) `*p.x`
- D) `&p.x`

18. How do you dynamically allocate a structure in C++?

- A) `new struct`
- B) `new StructureName`
- C) `malloc(StructureName)`
- D) `create StructureName`

19. What is the output of this code? `struct Data { int val; }; Data* d = new Data; d->val = 7; std::cout << d->val;`

- A) 7
- B) Address of d
- C) Error
- D) 0

20. Why is heap memory useful in C++?

- A) It is faster than stack memory
- B) It persists beyond function scope
- C) It is automatically deallocated
- D) It limits memory usage

21. What is a dangling pointer?

- A) A pointer to valid memory
- B) A pointer to deallocated memory
- C) A null pointer
- D) A pointer to a structure

22. Which of the following correctly declares a pointer to a structure?

- A) `struct Point ptr;`
- B) `Point* ptr;`
- C) `*Point ptr;`
- D) `&Point ptr;`