

c-strings Worksheet

1. Given the declaration:

```
char string15[16];
```

Mark the following statements as valid or invalid. If a statement is invalid, explain why.

a. `strcpy(string15, "Hello there");`

valid

b. `strlen(string15);`

invalid - string15 is not initialized and so strlen will non-sensical output

c. `string15 = "Jacksonville";`

invalid - c-strings are not assignable in this manner

d. `cin >> string15;`

valid

e. `cout << string15;`

invalid - string15 is not initialized and so outputting to stdout will give non-sensical output

f. `if (string15 >= "Nice day")
 cout << string15;`

invalid - cannot compare a string literal to another string literal without using a comparison function

g. `string15[6] = 't';`

valid

2. Given the declaration:

```
char str1[15];
```

```
char str2[15] = "Good day";
```

Mark the following statements as valid or invalid. If a statement is invalid, explain why.

a. `str1 = str2;`

invalid - cannot assign a char array to a char array

```
b. if (str1 == str2)
    cout << " Both strings are of the same length.\n";
```

invalid - comparing c-strings does not compare their length

```
c. if (strlen(str1) >= strlen(str2))
    str1 = str2;
```

invalid - cannot assign a char array to a char array

```
d. if (strcmp(str1, str2) < 0)
    cout << "str1 is less than str2." << endl;
```

valid

3. Given the declaration:

```
char name[8] = "Shelly";
```

Mark the following statements as “Yes” if they output Shelly. Otherwise, mark the statement as “No” and explain why it does not output Shelly.

```
a. cout << name;
```

yes

```
b. for (int j = 0; j < 6; j++)
    cout << name[j];
```

yes

```
c. int j = 0;
    while (name[j] != '\0')
        cout << name[j++];
```

yes

```
d. int j = 0;
    while (j < 8)
        cout << name[j++];
```

yes

4. Given the declaration:

```
char str1[21];
```

```
char str2[21];
```

- a. Write a C++ statement that stores "Sunny Day" in str1.

```
strcpy(str1, "Sunny Day");
```

- b. Write a C++ statement that stores the length of str1 into the int variable length.

```
int length = strlen(str1);
```

- c. Write a C++ statement that copies the value of name into str2.

```
strcpy(str2, name);
```

- d. Write C++ code that outputs str1 if str1 is less than or equal to str2, and otherwise outputs str2.

```
if(strcmp(str1, str2) < 0)
    cout << str1;
else
    cout << str2;
```

5. Assume the following declarations:

```
char name[21];
```

```
char yourName[21];
```

```
char studentName[31];
```

Mark the following statements as valid or invalid. If a statement is invalid, explain why.

- a. `cin >> name;`

valid

- b. `cout << studentName;`

valid

- c. `yourName[0] = '\0';`

valid

```
d. yourName = studentName;
```

invalid - cannot assign a char array to a char array

```
e. if (yourName == name)
    studentName = name;
```

invalid - comparing c-strings with == does not compare their contents

```
f. int x = strcmp(yourName, studentName);
```

valid

```
g. strcpy(studentName, name);
```

invalid - studentName is larger in size than name and could write to invalid memory

```
h. for (int j = 0; j < 21; j++)
    cout << name[j];
```

valid

6. Write a statement that will convert the string "10" to an integer and store the result in the variable `num`.

```
int num = atoi("10");
```

7. Write a statement that will convert the string "100000" to a long and store the result in the variable `num`.

```
long num = atol("100000");
```

8. Write a statement that will convert the string "7.2389" to a double and store the result in the variable `num`.

```
double num = atof("7.2389");
```

9. How many char values are stored in the character array "Hello, World!\n"?

What is `strlen("Hello, World!\n")`? 14