

**Example:**

```

01
02 .MODEL SMALL
03 .STACK 100H
04 .DATA
05     NAME DB '3'
06 .CODE
07     MOV AH, 2
08     MOV DL, '?'
09     INT 21H
10
11     MOV AH, 4CH
12     INT 21H
13

```

**.MODEL** is the directive to specify the size of the memory (code and data) the program needs

**.STACK** is the directive used to declare the stack segment. It sets aside a block of memory (in stack segment) to store the stack.

**.DATA** is the directive used to declare the data segment

**.CODE** is the directive used to declare the code segment

**INT (Interrupt):**

Interrupt-number **21h** used to invoke DOS functions.

**Functions**

Function #	Routine	Function Execution
1	Single-key input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Choose the function # as required</li> <li>➤ Place the <b>function number in AH</b> register (input)</li> <li>➤ Invoke the instruction for interrupt <b>where the function needs to be executed: INT 21H</b></li> </ul>
2	Single-key output	
9	Character string output	
4CH	DOS exit function	

### Function# 1: Single-key input

**Input:** AH = 1

**Output:** AL = ASCII code if character key is pressed  
AL = 0 if non-character key is pressed

```
02 .MODEL SMALL
03 .STACK 100h
04
05 .CODE
06     MOV AH, 1
07     INT 21H
08
09     EXIT:
10     MOV AH, 4CH
11     INT 21H
12
```

### Function# 2: Single-key output

**Input:** AH = 2  
DL = ASCII Code of the display character

**Output:** AL = ASCII Code of the display character

```
02 .MODEL SMALL
03 .STACK 100h
04
05 .CODE
06     MOV AH, 2
07     MOV DL, '?'
08     INT 21H
09
10     EXIT:
11     MOV AH, 4CH
12     INT 21H
13
```

### Single-key Input/Output

```
02 .MODEL SMALL
03 .STACK 100h
04
05 .CODE
06     MOV AH, 1
07     INT 21H           ;input in AL
08     MOV BL, AL        ;input moved to BL
09
10     MOV AH, 2
11     MOV DL, BL
12     INT 21H
13
14     EXIT:
15     MOV AH, 4CH
16     INT 21H
17
```

Insert newline:

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01
02 .MODEL SMALL
03 .STACK 100h
04
05 .CODE
06     MOV AH, 1
07     INT 21H      ;input in AL
08     MOV BL, AL   ;input moved to BL
09
10     MOV AH, 2
11     MOV DL, 10
12     INT 21H
13     MOV DL, 0DH
14     INT 21H
15
16     MOV AH, 2
17     MOV DL, BL
18     INT 21H
19
20     EXIT:
21     MOV AH, 4CH
22     INT 21H
23

```

### Multiple key Input

1. Take 3 single-key inputs and display the second input taken using the output function in a separate line.

Sample input & output
hk3 k

```

01
02 .MODEL SMALL
03 .STACK 100h
04
05 .CODE
06     MOV AH, 1    ;function# 1
07
08     INPUT:
09     INT 21H
10     MOV BH, AL    ;1st input in BH
11
12     INT 21H
13     MOV CH, AL    ;2nd input in CH
14
15     INT 21H
16     MOV DH, AL    ;3rd input in DH
17
18     OUTPUT:
19     MOV AH, 2    ;function# 2
20
21     MOV DL, 0AH  ;ascii of newline
22     INT 21H
23     MOV DL, 0DH  ;ascii of cret
24     INT 21H
25
26     MOV DL, CH    ;display the 2nd input
27     INT 21H
28
29     EXIT:
30     MOV AH, 4CH
31     INT 21H
32

```