

Chap 15 – Exceptions, RTTI, Dynamic Casting

1.

- a. Write a function called *GetNum()* that prompts the user to enter a number between 1 and 10. If the number entered is less than 1 it will throw an *underflow_error* exception. If the number entered is greater than 10 then it will throw an *overflow_error* exception. Both of these exceptions are in the exception header file ie. `#include <exception>`

To test that this works have your *main()* look like this:

```
while (1) {  
    try {  
        i = GetNum();  
        cout << i << endl;  
    }  
    catch (underflow_error & e){  
        cout << e.what() << endl;  
    }  
    catch (overflow_error & e) {  
        cout << e.what() << endl;  
    }  
}
```

- b. Modify this code slightly so that *main()* calls a function called *doit()* instead if *GetNum()*. The function *doit()* simply returns the value passed back from *GetNum()*. Will the code work pretty much the same?

2. Do #2 on pg 949

3. Do #3 on pg 949

4. Create a class **Gum** that has one function called *me()* that returns the string “class Gum”. Then create three classes that derive from class **Gum** called **Bubble**, **Chewing**, and **Experimental** and implement the *me()* function for each one that returns the string “class Bubble”, “class Chewing”, and “class Experimental”.

Now create a class called **GumMachine** with a function called *dispense()* that will return a pointer to **Gum** but each call to *dispense()* will allocate a different type of Gum (that is **Bubble**, **Chewing**, and **Experimental**).

Call *dispense()* 6 times and have it print out the string returned from *me()*;

Note: the *me()* method is NOT virtual in this example. If it were this would be easy to do. Instead you will need to use *dynamic_cast* to cast to the right type of pointer.

```

#include <iostream>
#include <string>
using namespace std;

class Gum {
public:
    virtual void empty(){} { //dynamic_cast needs one virtual method
    string me() const { //your code here};
};

class Chewing : public Gum {
public:
    string me() const { //your code here }
};

class Bubble: public Gum {
public:
    string me() const { //your code here }
};

class Experimental : public Gum{
public:
    string me() const { //your code here }
};

class GumMachine {
private:
    //your code here
public:
    Gum* dispense() { // return either a Chewing, Bubble or Experimental object }
};

int main(){
    GumMachine gummachine;

    for (int i = 0; i < 6; i++) {
        Gum* g = gummachine.dispense();

        //your code here

        delete g;
    }
}

```

The output should look like the following:

```

class Chewing
class Bubble
class Experimental
class Chewing
class Bubble
class Experimental

```

5. Copy your code from exercise 4 (don't overwrite it), remove all the *me()* methods from the subclasses and rewrite the *me()* method in **Gum** so that it will work **exactly the same** as in exercise 4.

Hint: There is a way to get the type name of a variable. But what variable to use? ;-)