

PRACTICE About classroom practice sessions

These and all of the following PRACTICE exercises are for you to complete in class. If you're not able, you should complete them at home using the available Zoom recordings.

If you have Emacs + Org-mode, you can do this effortlessly (but you have to know your way around Emacs + Org-mode). You can create new code blocks (like in Google Colab) and run them without having to enter `#include ... return 0` every time.

If you only have a browser, you have choices as explained in the orientation lecture. onecompiler.com is the easiest:

Open onecompiler.com/c in the browser if you haven't done it yet.

Create a new project with a `main.c` file

Give it a suitable title like "Variables - Practice", write a short description, like:

Project for practicing variables in C - CSC 100 class.

and tag it:

```
practice, variable, csc100
```

Make sure the visibility is Public (visible to everyone) so that you can post the link to Canvas if requested.

In the editor settings, check Disable Code Autocomplete/Suggestions

Delete the "hello world" printing line and off you go!

PRACTICE Everything is a number

- What do you get when you get the format wrong? The results will surprise you.
- Print these values using the requested format in a `printf` call:

	VALUE	FORMAT	SPECIFIER
1	3.14	integer	%i
2	3.14	character	%c
3	3	floating-point	%f
4	3	character	%c
5	'3'	integer	%i
6	'3'	floating-point	%f

- Solution & Explanation:

1. **Printing a floating-point number as an integer:** The output is an integer representation of the bits read by `printf` - it changes because the mismatch between the format specifier and the value

argument causes **undefined behavior**.

```
printf("%i\n", 3.14);
```

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2. **Printing a floating-point number as character:** Prints a garbage character (not recognized as an ASCII character).

```
printf("%c\n", 3.14);
```

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3. **Printing an integer as floating-point number:** Undefined behavior again. This result could also be another value.

```
printf("%f\n", 3);
```

0.0

4. **Printing an integer as character:** 3 is interpreted as the character with the ASCII code 3.

```
printf("%c\n", 3);
```

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5. **Printing a character as an integer:** Results in printing the ASCII code of the character.

```
printf("%i\n", '3');
```

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6. **Printing a character as a floating-point number:** Undefined behavior.

```
printf("%f\n", '3');
```

0.0

PRACTICE Print challenge

Print $3.14 - 3 = .14$ using `printf` and the values 3.14, 3, and .14

```
printf("%f - %i = %f\n", 3.14, 3, .14);  
printf("%.2f - %i = %.2f\n", 3.14, 3, .14);
```

```
3.140000 - 3 = 0.140000  
3.14 - 3 = 0.14
```

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