

PROGRAMMING EXERCISE 6 (Linear Search)

The following is a pseudocode algorithm for a linear search function, which takes two parameters **SEARCHITEM** and **FRUIT**, and returns the index (if item is found) or -1 (if item is not found).

```
FUNCTION LinearSearch(string SEARCHITEM, array FRUIT)
BEGIN
    set MAXSIZE to be maximum size of FRUIT
    set element_found to FALSE
    set index to 1
    DOWHILE (NOT element_found) AND (index ≤ MAXSIZE)
        IF FRUIT(index) = SEARCHITEM THEN
            set element_found to TRUE
        ELSE
            index = index + 1
        ENDIF
    ENDDO
    IF element_found = TRUE THEN
        return index
    ELSE
        return -1
    ENDIF
ENDFUNCTION
```

Task 1

Write code for the above function using appropriate annotation.

Evidence 1: Your program code for **LinearSearch** function.

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Task 2

Write a **main** function that calls the above **LinearSearch** function using the following specifications:

- Request for user to enter string to be searched, **SEARCHITEM**
- Type in this sample array data:
FRUIT = ['banana', 'durian', 'apple', 'lemon', 'papaya', 'strawberry', 'honeydew', 'strawberry', 'honeydew']
- Pass user input **SEARCHITEM** and **FRUIT** array as parameters into function
- Receive return value from function and output on screen **either position of the item** (if item is found in array) or message "**Item is not found in array**" (if item is **not** in array).

Evidence 2: Your program code for main function.

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Evidence 3: Screenshots for running the program code by searching for 'papaya' and 'watermelon'.

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