

Lab 6

In this lab, we will practice using various C++ functions to read different types of data from a data file.

The functions we have discussed include:

get : read a single character from the input stream, does not skip white spaces

getline : read an entire line of characters from the input stream, consumes the end of line character

extractor operator >> : read til the next white space character

ignore : skips over characters

First, take a look at the content of the data file. The data file is of this format:

The Finkler Question	← title of a book, also the beginning of the first book record
Jacobson	← author of the book
3 stars	← reader star rating
10 12 2010	← publication date of the book
15.00 new	← price of the book
Come, thou Tortoise	← beginning of the second book
Jessica Grant	
4.8 stars	
3 9 2012	
22.0 mint	← end of the second book

...

Your program will read ONLY the following information of each book from this data file:

book title

book author

star rating, do not include the string "stars"

publication year, do not include month and day

price, do not include the comments, such as "used", "mint", "new", etc.

As soon as the program reads the appropriate information for one book, display it on the screen. Then move on to read the information of the next book. The information of all the books are displayed in the table form. Do not store the information in any kind of data structure for this lab.

Your program will also keep count of the total number of books read.

Here is an example output of the program:

TITLE	AUTHOR	RATING	PRICE	YEAR
The Finkler Question	Howard Jacobson	3.00	15.00	2010
Come, thou Tortoise	Jessica Grant	4.80	22.00	2012
Catching Fire	Suzanne Collins	5.00	9.98	2013
Mokingjay	Suzanne Collins	4.60	9.95	2014
Winnie's War	Jackson Moss	3.80	10.50	2013
Deenie	Judy Blume	3.80	0.95	1994
Only One Year	Andrea Cheng	4.90	3.56	1969
Can Adults Become Human?	Jim Benton	4.20	5.35	2006

There are a total of 8 books.