

Certainly! Let's break **Question 1: 'C' Basics** into detailed sub-topics for better understanding:

1. History of C

- Developed by **Dennis Ritchie** in **1972** at Bell Labs.
 - C evolved from two previous languages: **B** and **BCPL** (Basic Combined Programming Language).
 - Initially designed for system programming (e.g., operating systems like Unix).
 - Known as the **mother of all programming languages** because many modern languages like C++, Java, Python, etc., are derived from it.
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2. Structure of a C Program

A C program is composed of:

- **Preprocessor directives:** Start with **#** (e.g., `#include <stdio.h>` for standard input/output library).
- **Main function:** Entry point of a program, `int main()`.
- **Statements/Functions:** Code instructions inside `{}`.
- Example:

```
#include <stdio.h> // Preprocessor directive
int main() {      // Main function
    printf("Hello, World!"); // Output statement
    return 0;     // Exit code
}
```

3. Compilation Process

- **Steps:**
 1. **Preprocessing:** Handles `#include` and macros.
 2. **Compilation:** Converts C code to Assembly code.
 3. **Assembly:** Converts Assembly code to Machine code.
 4. **Linking:** Links libraries and creates the final executable.
 - Tools: GCC (GNU Compiler Collection) is commonly used.
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4. Variables and Constants

- **Variable:** A name that stores data. Syntax: `data_type variable_name;`
Example:

```
int age = 20; // Declaring and initializing an integer variable
```

- **Constant:** Fixed value that cannot be changed. Declared using `const`.
Example:

```
const float PI = 3.14; // Declares a constant PI
```

5. Keywords and Identifiers

- **Keywords:** Reserved words in C (e.g., `int`, `return`, `if`). Total: **32** in standard C.
 - **Identifiers:** Names used for variables, functions, or arrays.
 - o Must start with a letter or `_`.
 - o Cannot use spaces or special characters.
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6. Input/Output Functions

- **Input:** Use `scanf()` to take input from the user.
Example:

```
int num;  
printf("Enter a number: ");  
scanf("%d", &num); // Reads an integer
```

- **Output:** Use `printf()` to display data.
Example:

```
printf("The number is: %d", num); // Outputs the number
```

Key Points to Remember

- C is case-sensitive (`Variable` and `variable` are different).
 - Every statement ends with a semicolon (`;`).
 - Use comments for clarity:
 - o **Single-line:** `// Comment`
 - o **Multi-line:** `/* Comment */`
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Do you need further clarification on any of these topics or example programs?