

C++ 101 – Session 3 Notes

1. The do-while Loop

The do-while loop is a **post-test loop**, meaning the condition is checked **after** the code inside the loop runs. This guarantees the loop runs **at least once**, even if the condition is false from the beginning.

Syntax:

```
do {  
    // code block  
} while (condition);
```

Example:

```
int password;  
do {  
    cout << "Enter password: ";  
    cin >> password;  
} while (password != 1234);  
  
cout << "Access granted!";
```

Output (if user enters wrong password first):

```
Enter password: 1111  
Enter password: 0000  
Enter password: 1234  
Access granted!
```

2. Key Difference: while vs do-while


Feature	while loop	do-while loop
Condition checked	Before the loop runs	After the loop runs
Guaranteed to run once?	✗ Not guaranteed	✓ Always runs at least once
Best use case	When you may not need to run the loop	When you need to run it at least once

3. Task Reminder

At the end of the session, your assignment was:

Task:

Write a C++ program that demonstrates the practical use of a `do-while` loop.

 You can choose any idea, for example:

- A simple menu-driven program that repeats until the user chooses to exit
- A guessing game that allows multiple tries

Be creative and be ready to **present your code** in the next session!