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Problem C Concurrency Simulator

Programs executed concurrently on a uniprocessor system appear to be executed at the same time, but in reality the single CPU alternates between the programs, executing some number of instructions from each program before switching to the next. You are to simulate the concurrent execution of up to ten programs on such a system and determine the output that they will produce.

The program that is currently being executed is said to be *running*, while all programs awaiting execution are said to be *ready*. A program consists of a sequence of no more than 25 statements, one per line, followed by an end statement. The statements available are listed below.

Statement Type	Syntax
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Assignment	<code>variable = constant</code>
Output	<code>print variable</code>
Begin Mutual Exclusion	<code>lock</code>
End Mutual Exclusion	<code>unlock</code>
Stop Execution	<code>end</code>

A *variable* is any single lowercase alphabetic character and a *constant* is an unsigned decimal number less than 100. There are only 26 variables in the computer system, and they are shared among the programs. Thus assignments to a variable in one program affect the value that might be printed by a different program. All variables are initially set to zero.

Each statement requires an integral number of time units to execute. The running program is permitted to continue executing instructions for a period of time called its *quantum*. When a program's time quantum expires, another ready program will be selected to run. Any instruction currently being executed when the time quantum expires will be allowed to complete.

Programs are queued first-in-first-out for execution in a *ready queue*. The initial order of the ready queue corresponds to the original order of the programs in the input file. This order can change, however, as a result of the execution of **lock** and **unlock** statements.

The **lock** and **unlock** statements are used whenever a program wishes to claim mutually exclusive access to the variables it is manipulating. These statements always occur in pairs, bracketing one or more other statements. A **lock** will always precede an **unlock**, and these statements will never be nested. Once a program successfully executes a **lock** statement, no other program may successfully execute a **lock** statement until the locking program runs and executes the corresponding **unlock** statement. Should a running program attempt to execute a **lock** while one is already in effect, this program will be placed at the end of the *blocked queue*. Programs blocked in this fashion lose any of their current time quantum remaining. When an **unlock** is executed, any program at the head of the blocked queue is moved to the head of the ready queue. The first statement this program will execute when it runs will be the **lock** statement that

previously failed. Note that it is up to the programs involved to enforce the mutual exclusion protocol through correct usage of **lock** and **unlock** statements. (A renegade program with no **lock/unlock** pair could alter any variables it wished, despite the proper use of **lock/unlock** by the other programs.)

Input and Output

The first line of the input file consists of seven integers separated by spaces. These integers specify (in order): the number of programs which follow, the unit execution times for each of the five statements (in the order given above), and the number of time units comprising the time quantum. The remainder of the input consists of the programs, which are correctly formed from statements according to the rules described above.

All program statements begin in the first column of a line. Blanks appearing in a statement should be ignored. Associated with each program is an identification number based upon its location in the input data (the first program has ID = 1, the second has ID = 2, etc.).

Your output will contain of the output generated by the print statements as they occur during the simulation. When a print statement is executed, your program should display the program ID, a colon, a space, and the value of the selected variable. Output from separate print statements should appear on separate lines. A sample input and correct output are shown below.

Sample Input

```
3 1 1 1 1 1 1
a = 4
print a
lock
b = 9
print b
unlock
print b
end
a = 3
print a
lock
b = 8
print b
unlock
print b
end
b = 5
a = 17
print a
print b
lock
b = 21
print b
unlock
print b
end
```

Sample Output

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1: 3
2: 3
3: 17
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3: 9
1: 9
1: 9
2: 8
2: 8
3: 21
3: 21

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