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CSC3320 System Level Programming

Lab Assignment 5 – In-Lab

### Part 1:

Question 1)

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ simple.sh
-bash: simple.sh: command not found
```

Question 2)

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ ./simple.sh
-bash: ./simple.sh: Permission denied
```

Question 3)

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ ./simple.sh
Congratulations! Now you know shell script!
The current time and date are: Fri Feb 12 18:18:01 EST 2021
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$
```

Question 4)

-n option means do not print the trailing newline character.

Question 5)

“Simple Script” is a comment because it has a pound sign (#) before on 1<sup>st</sup> column and is not the first line of the script.

Question 6)

“#!/bin/bash” is not a comment. It is placed in the first line of the script to notify which shell is used to interpret the script.

## Part 2:

Question 7)

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ echo $PATH
/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/sbin:/home/choang7/.local/bin:/home/choang7/bin
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$
```

I can find 6 directories in the output.

Question 8)

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ PATH=.:$PATH
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ simple.sh
Congratulations! Now you know shell script!
The current time and date are: Fri Feb 12 18:34:32 EST 2021
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$
```

I do not see any error. This is because the PATH variable is an environment variable that contains a list of paths that Unix uses to search for executables when running a command. After inserting the current working directory into the PATH variable, Unix now knows the path to execute the shell script stored in my current working directory and no longer need me to explicitly state the path before the file name.

Question 9)

```
login as: choang7
choang7@snowball.cs.gsu.edu's password:
Last login: Fri Feb 12 18:07:02 2021 from 113.190.138.106
+
|   GSU Computer Science
|   Instructional Server
|   SNOWBALL.cs.gsu.edu
+
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ echo $PATH
/usr/local/bin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/sbin:/home/choang7/.local/bin:/home/choang7/bin
```

I cannot find the current working directory . in the PATH variable anymore.

Question 10)

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ simple.sh
-bash: simple.sh: command not found
```

There is a "Command not found" error. This is because the shell script is created in my current working directory, and since the current working directory is no longer stored in the PATH variable after ending the session, Unix doesn't know where to find the path that has the script 'simple.sh' in order to execute it.

### Part 3:

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ chmod a+x checkError.sh
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ ./checkError.sh choang7
./checkError.sh: line 1: 1/bin/bash: No such file or directory
./checkError.sh: line 2: /1: Permission denied
Try to find out some errors!!!
./checkError.sh: line 20: warning: here-document at line 7 delimited by end-of-file (want
ed `END')
```

There are 3 errors at line 1, 2, and 20.

For the first line, if there is a pound sign then it is likely used to indicate the appropriate shell to interpret the script. We can fix this problem by removing the sign "\$" to make the "#" place at first.

For the error in line 2, I think that the creator is mistaking the multiple-line comment is available in shell script, but actually the slash-star is not supported. In fact, there is no multi-line comment mechanism in shell. We can fix this problem by removing the slash-star and put the single-line comment sign “#” before it.

For the last error, the here-document `<< END` construction is incorrectly formed. To fix this, we need to remove the whitespace before `END` in line 7 and replace `"-ENDHERE"` with `"END"` to finish the document.

Here is the file after fixing all the error and the output:

[illegible]

```
[choang7@gsuad.gsu.edu@snowball ~]$ ./checkError.sh choang7
Try to find out some errors!!!
ls: cannot access mail: No such file or directory
ls: cannot access choang7: No such file or directory
The result has been sent to choang7@student.gsu.edu
Congratulations! You have corrected all the errors!
```