

1. (10 %) **Free Blocks Management Using a Linked List** Consider a file system managing free blocks by using linked lists. The table below shows the final two blocks storing free blocks. Fill the empty tables below to show the changes which occur in the tables after the following scenarios. Highlight the changes using a color pencil.

- (a) Five new blocks are allocated
- (b) The block 22 is freed
- (c) Another 5 blocks are allocated
- (d) Another block is allocated
- (e) Another three blocks are allocated
- (f) Four blocks (23456, 8345345, 56, and 634534) are freed

Block #	17	18
Next Block	18	0
	4589	24353
	43546	98745
	718	76345
	345	9877
	23456	7345
	8345345	34535
	634534	154698
	3478	967
	56	8657

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If you have so many blocks allocated that the linked list is smaller than the bitmap
The bitmap is constant in size but the list grows smaller with every alloc.

Block #	17	18
Next Block	18	0
	4589	24353
	43546	98745
	718	76345
	345	9877
	23456	7345
	8345345	34535
	634534	154698
	3478	967
	56	8657

Block #	17	18
Next Block	0	
	24353	
	98745	
	76345	
	76346	
	9877	
	7345	
	154698	
	967	
	17	

Block #	17	18
Next Block	18	0
	4589	24353
	43546	98745
	718	76345
	345	9877
	22	34535
		154698
		76345
		967
		8657
Block #	18	
Next Block	0	
	24353	
	98745	
	76345	
	9877	
	7345	
	34535	
	115	

2. **Free Blocks Management — Comparision** Given the two memory footprint scenarios for Free Blocks Management as presented in class. State the condition under which the linked list approach uses less space than the bitmap approach.