

# Work on project. Stage 5/5: Battle!

Project: [Minesweeper](#)

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## Description

In this stage, you will upgrade your program to act just like the original Minesweeper game! We won't show all the hints from the beginning anymore, but we will allow the player to explore the minefield by themselves, which is much more challenging and fun.

The game starts with an unexplored minefield that has a user-defined number of mines.

The player can:

- Mark unexplored cells as cells that potentially have a mine, and also remove those marks. Any empty cell can be marked, not just the cells that contain a mine. The mark is removed by marking the previously marked cell.
- Explore a cell if they think it does not contain a mine.

There are three possibilities after exploring a cell:

1. If the cell is empty and has no mines around, all the cells around it, including the marked ones, can be explored, and it should be done automatically. Also, if next to the explored cell there is another empty one with no mines around, all the cells around it should be explored as well, and so on, until no more can be explored automatically.
2. If a cell is empty and has mines around it, only that cell is explored, revealing a number of mines around it.
3. If the explored cell contains a mine, the game ends and the player loses.

There are two possible ways to win:

1. Marking all the cells that have mines correctly.
2. Opening all the safe cells so that only those with unexplored mines are left.

## Objectives

In this final stage, your program should contain the following additional functionality:

1. Print the current state of the minefield starting with all unexplored cells at the beginning, ask the player for their next move with the message `Set/unset mine marks or claim a cell as free:`, treat the player's move according to the rules, and print the new minefield state. Ask for the player's next move until the player wins or steps on a mine. The player's input contains a pair of cell coordinates and a command: `mine` to mark or unmark a cell, `free` to explore a cell.
2. If the player explores a mine, print the field in its current state, with mines shown as `X` symbols. After that, output the message `You stepped on a mine and failed!`.
3. Generate mines like in the original game: the first cell explored with the `free` command cannot be a mine; it should always be empty. You can achieve this in many ways – it's up to you.

Use the following symbols to represent each cell's state:

- `.` as unexplored cells
- `/` as explored free cells without mines around it
- Numbers from 1 to 8 as explored free cells with 1 to 8 mines around them, respectively
- `X` as mines
- `*` as unexplored marked cells

## Examples

The greater-than symbol followed by a space (`>` ) represents the user input. Note that it's not part of the input.

**Example 1:** *the user loses after exploring a cell that contains a mine*

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How many mines do you want on the field? > 10

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.....|
2|.....|
3|.....|
4|.....|
5|.....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 3 2 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.1//1...|
2|.1//12...|
3|11//1....|
4|///1....|
5|11111....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 1 1 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1...|
2|.1//12...|
3|11//1....|
4|///1....|
5|11111....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 1 2 mine

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1...|
2|*1//12...|
3|11//1....|
4|///1....|
5|11111....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 8 8 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1...|
2|*1//12...|
3|11//1....|
4|///1....|
5|11111....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....1.|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 7 8 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1...|
2|*1//12...|
3|11//1....|
```

```

4|///1...|
5|1111...|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....11.|
9|.....|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 6 8 free

|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1...|
2|*1//12...|
3|11//1...|
4|///1...|
5|1111...|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....211.|
9|.....|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 2 7 free

|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1...|
2|*1//12...|
3|11//1...|
4|///1...|
5|1111...|
6|.....|
7|.3.....|
8|.....211.|
9|.....|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 5 6 free

|123456789|
-|-----|
1|11//1X..|
2|X1//12...|
3|11//1X...|
4|///1...|
5|1111...|
6|.X..X...|
7|.3X...X..|
8|.X..X211.|
9|...X....|
-|-----|
You stepped on a mine and failed!

```

**Example 2:** *the user wins by marking all mines correctly*

How many mines do you want on the field? > 8

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.....|
2|.....|
3|.....|
4|.....|
5|.....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 5 5 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|..1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|//////1...|
4|//////11..|
5|//////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23.1//111|
8|..21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 2 1 mine

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.*1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|//////1...|
4|//////11..|
5|//////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23.1//111|
8|..21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 3 7 mine

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.*1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|//////1...|
4|//////11..|
5|//////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23*1//111|
8|..21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 2 8 mine

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.*1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|//////1...|
4|//////11..|
5|//////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23*1//111|
8|.*21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 1 8 mine

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.*1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|//////1...|
```

```
4|////11..|
5|/////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23*1//111|
8|**21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 7 3 mine
```

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|. *1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|////1*..|
4|////11..|
5|/////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23*1//111|
8|**21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 8 3 free
```

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|. *1//1...|
2|111//2...|
3|////1*1..|
4|////11..|
5|/////1..|
6|/111//1..|
7|23*1//111|
8|**21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 9 3 free
```

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|. *1//1...|
2|111//2.31|
3|////1*1/|
4|////111/|
5|////111|
6|/111//1..|
7|23*1//111|
8|**21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 8 6 mine
```

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|. *1//1...|
2|111//2.31|
3|////1*1/|
4|////111/|
5|////111|
6|/111//1*..|
7|23*1//111|
8|**21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 7 2 free
```

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|. *1//1...|
2|111//2231|
3|////1*1/|
4|////111/|
5|////111|
6|/111//1*..|
7|23*1//111|
8|**21/////|
9|..1/////|
-|-----|
```

```
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 7 1 mine
```

```
|123456789|  
-|-----|  
1|. *1//1*..|  
2|111//2231|  
3|//////1*1/|  
4|//////111/|  
5|//////111|  
6|/111//1*..|  
7|23*1//111|  
8|**21/////|  
9|..1/////|  
-|-----|
```

```
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 9 1 mine
```

```
|123456789|  
-|-----|  
1|. *1//1*.*|  
2|111//2231|  
3|//////1*1/|  
4|//////111/|  
5|//////111|  
6|/111//1*..|  
7|23*1//111|  
8|**21/////|  
9|..1/////|  
-|-----|
```

```
Congratulations! You found all the mines!
```

**Example 3:** *the user wins by exploring all safe cells*

How many mines do you want on the field? > 5

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|.....|
2|.....|
3|.....|
4|.....|
5|.....|
6|.....|
7|.....|
8|.....|
9|.....|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 5 5 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|////////|
2|//////111|
3|111//1.1|
4|..1//1.21|
5|111//1...|
6|//////1.21|
7|//////111|
8|111////////|
9|..1////////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 1 9 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|////////|
2|//////111|
3|111//1.1|
4|..1//1.21|
5|111//1...|
6|//////1.21|
7|//////111|
8|111////////|
9|1.1////////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 1 4 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|////////|
2|//////111|
3|111//1.1|
4|1.1//1.21|
5|111//1...|
6|//////1.21|
7|//////111|
8|111////////|
9|1.1////////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 7 4 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|////////|
2|//////111|
3|111//1.1|
4|1.1//1121|
5|111//1...|
6|//////1.21|
7|//////111|
8|111////////|
9|1.1////////|
-|-----|
```

Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 7 5 free

```
|123456789|
-|-----|
1|////////|
2|//////111|
3|111//1.1|
```

```

4|1.1//1121|
5|111//11..|
6|/////1.21|
7|/////111/|
8|111/////|
9|1.1/////|
-|-----|
Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: > 8 5 free


```

```

|123456789|
-|-----|
1|////////|
2|/////111/|
3|111//1.1/|
4|1.1//1121|
5|111//112.|
6|/////1.21|
7|/////111/|
8|111/////|
9|1.1/////|
-|-----|
Congratulations! You found all the mines!

```

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Java

```

1 package minesweeper;
2 import java.util.*;
3
4 public class Main {
5
6     public static void initialize(char[][] array){
7         for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++){
8             for(int j = 0; j < 9; j++){
9                 array[i][j] = '.';
10            }
11        }
12    }
13
14    public static void main(String[] args) {
15        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
16        char[][] array = new char[9][9];
17        initialize(array);
18        System.out.print("How many mines do you want on the field? ");
19        int n = sc.nextInt();
20        printArray(array);
21        mines(array,n);
22        setFree(array, n);
23        sc.close();
24    }
25
26
27    public static void setFree(char[][] array, int n){
28        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
29        int x, y;
30        String str;
31        while(n != 0){
32            System.out.print("Set/unset mines marks or claim a cell as free: ");
33            x = sc.nextInt();
34            y = sc.nextInt();
35            str = sc.next();
36
37            if(isMine(array, x, y, str)){
38                return;
39            }
40
41            else if(isCovered(array)){
42                printMineArray(array);
43                System.out.println("Congratulations! You found all the mines!");
44                return;
45            }
46
47            else if(str.equals("mine") && array[y-1][x-1] == 'X'){
48                array[y-1][x-1] = '$';
49            }
50        }

```



```

49         n--;
50     }
51
52     else if(str.equals("mine")){
53         if(array[y-1][x-1] == '.'){
54             array[y-1][x-1] = '*';
55         }
56         else if(array[y-1][x-1] == '*'){
57             array[y-1][x-1] = '.';
58         }
59         else if(array[y-1][x-1] == '$'){
60             array[y-1][x-1] = 'X';
61         }
62     }
63
64     else if(str.equals("free")){
65         setNumber(array, x, y);
66     }
67
68     printMineArray(array);
69
70 }
71 System.out.println("Congratulations! You found all the mines!");
72 }
73
74 public static void setNumber(char[][] array, int x, int y){
75     int startI = getStartI(y - 1);
76     int startJ = getStartJ(x - 1);
77     int endI = getEndI(y - 1);
78     int endJ = getEndJ(x - 1);
79     int count = 0;
80     for(int m = startI; m <= endI; m++){
81         for(int n = startJ; n <= endJ; n++){
82             if(array[m][n] == 'X'){
83                 count++;
84             }
85         }
86     }
87     if(count != 0){
88         array[y-1][x-1] = (char)(count + 48);
89         return;
90     }
91     else if(count == 0){
92         array[y-1][x-1] = '/';
93         isPossible(array, x, y);
94         for(int m = startI; m <= endI; m++){
95             for(int n = startJ; n <= endJ; n++){
96                 isPossible(array, n + 1, m + 1);
97                 if(array[m][n] == '.'){
98                     setNumber(array, n + 1, m + 1);
99                 }
100             }
101         }
102     }
103 }
104
105 public static void isPossible(char[][] array, int x, int y){
106     int startI = getStartI(y - 1);
107     int startJ = getStartJ(x - 1);
108     int endI = getEndI(y - 1);
109     int endJ = getEndJ(x - 1);
110
111     for(int m = startI; m <= endI; m++){
112         for(int n = startJ; n <= endJ; n++){
113             if(array[m][n] == '*' || array[m][n] == '.' || array[m][n] == '$'){
114                 setNumber(array, n + 1, m + 1);
115             }
116         }
117     }
118 }
119
120 public static boolean isCovered(char[][] array){
121     int count = 0;
122     for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++){
123         for(int j = 0; j < 9; j++){
124             if(array[i][j] == '.'){
125                 continue;
126             }
127             else{
128                 count++;
129             }
130         }
131     }
132     if(count == 81){
133         return(true);
134     }

```

```

135         return(false);
136     }
137
138     public static boolean isMine(char[][] array, int x, int y, String str){
139         if(array[y - 1][x - 1] == 'X' && str.equals("free")){
140             printArray(array);
141             System.out.println("You stepped on a mine and failed!");
142             return(true);
143         }
144         return(false);
145     }
146
147     public static int getStartI(int i){
148         if(i == 0){
149             return(i);
150         }
151         return(i - 1);
152     }
153
154     public static int getStartJ(int j){
155         if(j == 0){
156             return(j);
157         }
158         return(j - 1);
159     }
160
161     public static int getEndI(int i){
162         if(i == 8){
163             return(i);
164         }
165         return(i + 1);
166     }
167
168     public static int getEndJ(int j){
169         if(j == 8){
170             return(j);
171         }
172         return(j + 1);
173     }
174
175
176     public static void mines(char[][] array, int n){
177         int i,j;
178         Random rand = new Random();
179         while(n != 0){
180             i = rand.nextInt(9);
181             j = rand.nextInt(9);
182             if(array[i][j] == '.'){
183                 n--;
184                 array[i][j] = 'X';
185             }
186         }
187     }
188
189     public static void printMineArray(char[][] array){
190         System.out.println("\n |123456789|");
191         System.out.println("-|-----|");
192         for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++){
193             System.out.print((i+1) + "|");
194             for(int j = 0; j < 9; j++){
195                 if(array[i][j] == '$'){
196                     System.out.print('*');
197                 }
198                 else if(array[i][j] == 'X'){
199                     System.out.print('.');
200                 }
201                 else{
202                     System.out.print(array[i][j]);
203                 }
204             }
205             System.out.println("|");
206         }
207         System.out.println("-|-----|");
208     }
209
210     public static void printArray(char[][] array){
211         System.out.println("\n |123456789|");
212         System.out.println("-|-----|");
213         for(int i = 0; i < 9; i++){
214             System.out.print((i+1) + "|");
215             for(int j = 0; j < 9; j++){
216                 if(array[i][j] == '$'){
217                     System.out.print('*');
218                 }
219                 else{
220                     System.out.print(array[i][j]);

```

```
221         }
222     }
223     System.out.println("|");
224 }
225 System.out.println("-|-----|");
226 }
227 }
```

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