

Assignment 4 – Word Blast

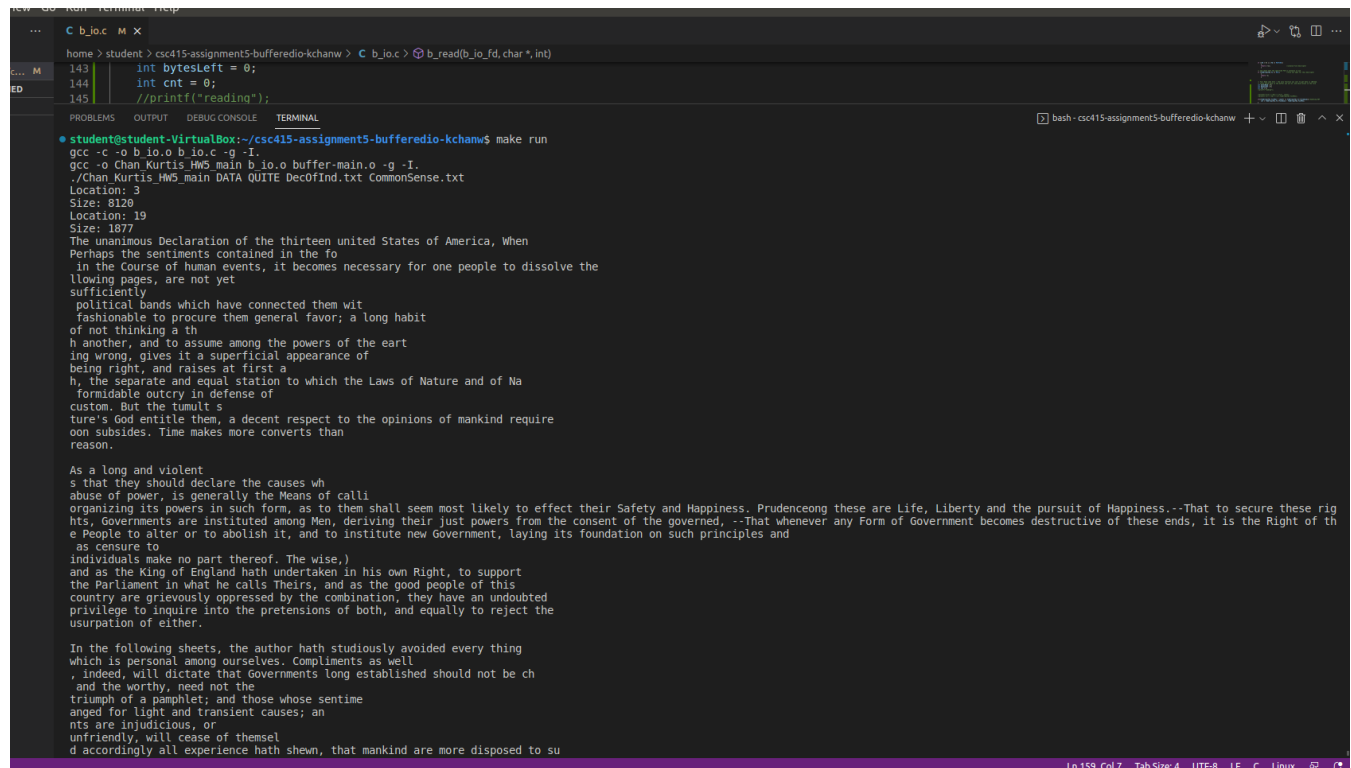
Description: Write three functions, `b_open()`, `b_read()`, and `b_close()`. `b_open()` returns a file descriptor where it gets file info and allocates memory for the buffer. `b_read()` reads the file in chunks of size 512 bytes using `LBRead()` for each block. It reads until the requested number of bytes is read, or until it reaches the end of the file while returning how many bytes have been read. The `b_close` will free any resources used.

Approach / What I Did: At first for the struct `b_fcb`, I did not understand why it said to add any other variables needed, but once I got to `b_read()` I now understood why I needed a way to track where I am in the file, where I am in the buffer, and we need a pointer for our buffer. For `b_open()` it will return the index given by `b_getFCB()`; It will return -1 if the FCB array is full and when it fails to get a pointer. It also allocates memory of size `B_CHUNK_SIZE` which is 512 for that FCB's buffer. This will also initialize the file position, and buffer position to 0 so that it will start at the beginning of the file. I also did the first `LBRead()` for the FCB so that I won't have to do it in the `b_read()`.

For the `b_read()` function, I have three different situations when reading. 1, where the count for reading is less than the size of the buffer, then it will just read and `memcpy` to their buffer. Each `memcpy` is followed by adding to the buffer position and file position to make sure we are in the right place for both the buffer and file. 2, when multiple blocks are needed like when you have 8 spaces left in your buffer, but the user calls to read 800 bytes. You will need multiple blocks, the current one you are in, one for a full chunk(512 bytes), and one for the remaining. 3, the last one is when you need to go to the next block. Each time to get a new block I needed to call `LBRead()` and to reset `buffPos` while updating `filePos`. At the end of the function, it will return `bytesRead` which is a variable that kept track of how many bytes you are reading. At the beginning of `b_read()` there is an if statement to handle when the requested amount of bytes is more than the what you have left in the file to read, so to handle that I trimmed the count to what is left to read and that number is passed instead of the user requested count. Otherwise, just use the user requested count. For close it frees the buffer of the index in the FCB and makes the `fi` which is the pointer to the file information `NULL`.

Issues and Resolutions: A big issue I had was trying to make it into a loop for how many blocks I needed for the current call, but ended up confusing myself when doing this. I ended starting again and started with when you do have enough space in the buffer, then I worked on when you needed an extra block, then I worked on when it needed more than that. I do think that in this code it won't handle more than 3 blocks being read since the largest it does is the rest of a block, a full block, and the start of a block. Another thing I got stuck on was using `LBRead()` and how I only needed to call it when I needed a new block. At first, I kept calling it and incrementing after each `b_read()` call and `memcpy`.

Screen shots:

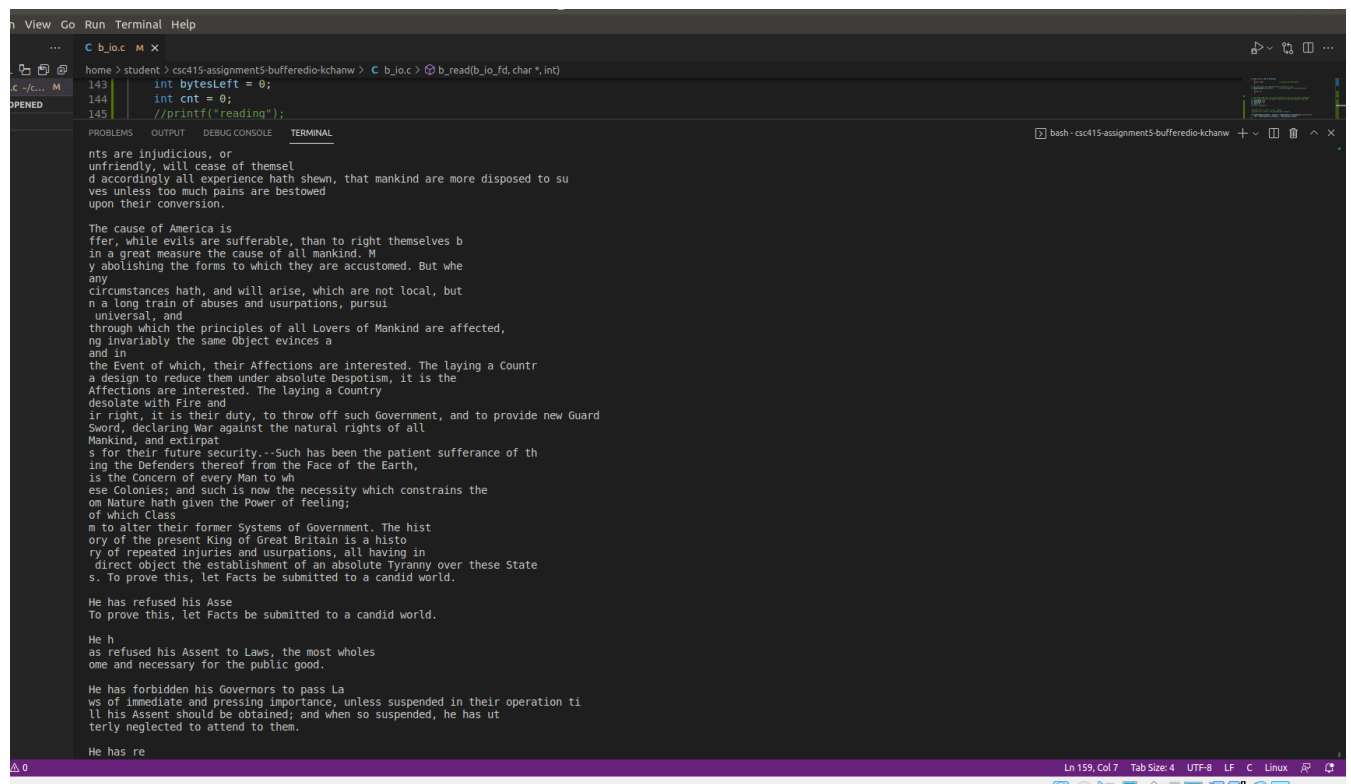


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• student@student-VirtualBox:~/csc415-assignment5-bufferedio-kchanw$ make run
gcc -c -o b_io.o b_io.c -g -I.
gcc -o Chan_Kurtis_HW5_main b_io.o buffer-main.o -g -I.
./Chan_Kurtis_HW5_main DATA QUITE DecOfInd.txt CommonSense.txt
Location: 3
Size: 8120
Location: 19
Size: 1877
The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America, When
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reason.

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individuals make no part thereof. The wise,)
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the Parliament in what he calls Theirs, and as the good people of this
country are grievously oppressed by the combination, they have an undoubted
privilege to inquire into the pretensions of both, and equally to reject the
usurpation of either.

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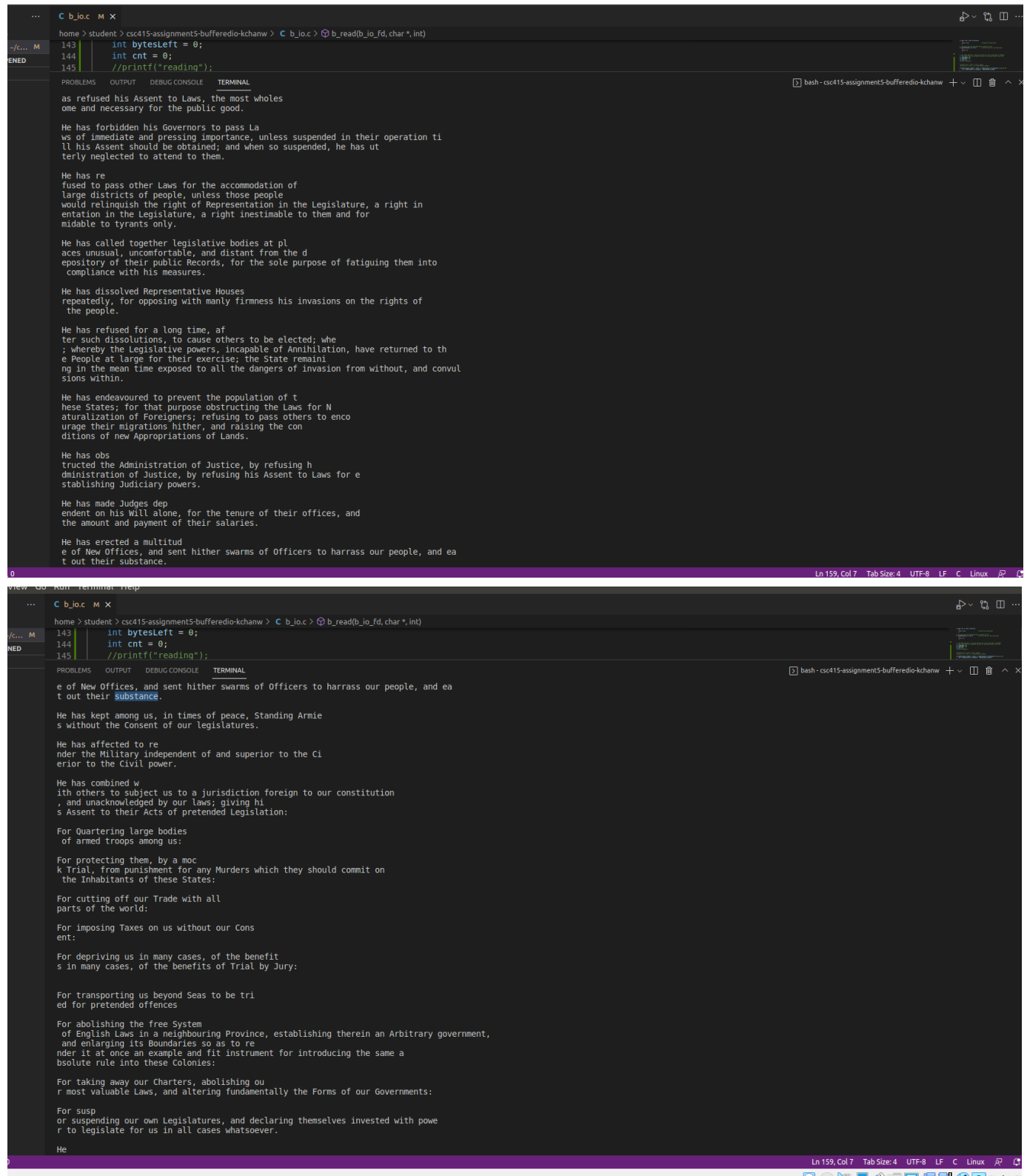
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a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is the
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Sword, declaring War against the natural rights of all
Mankind, and extirpat
s for their future security.--Such has been the patient sufferance of th
ing the Defenders thereof from the Face of the Earth,
is the concern of every Man to wh
ese Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains the
on Nature hath given the Power of feeling:
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m to alter their former Systems of Government. The histo
ory of the present King of Great Britain is a histo
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large districts of people, unless those people
would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right in
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midable to tyrants only.

He has called together legislative bodies at pl
aces unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the d
epository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into
compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses
repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of
the people.

He has refused for a long time, af
ter such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whe
; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to th
e People at large for their exercise; the State remaini
ng in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convul
sions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of t
hese States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for N
aturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to enco
urage their migrations hither, and raising the con
ditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obs
tructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing h
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stablishing Judiciary powers.

He has made Judges dep
endent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and
the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitud
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He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armie
s without the Consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to re
nder the Military independent of and superior to the Ci
vian power.

He has combined w
ith others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution
, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving hi
s Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For Quartering large bodies
of armed troops among us:

For protecting them, by a moc
k Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on
the Inhabitants of these States:

For cutting off our Trade with all
parts of the world:

For imposing Taxes on us without our Cons
ent:

For depriving us in many cases, of the benefit
s in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:

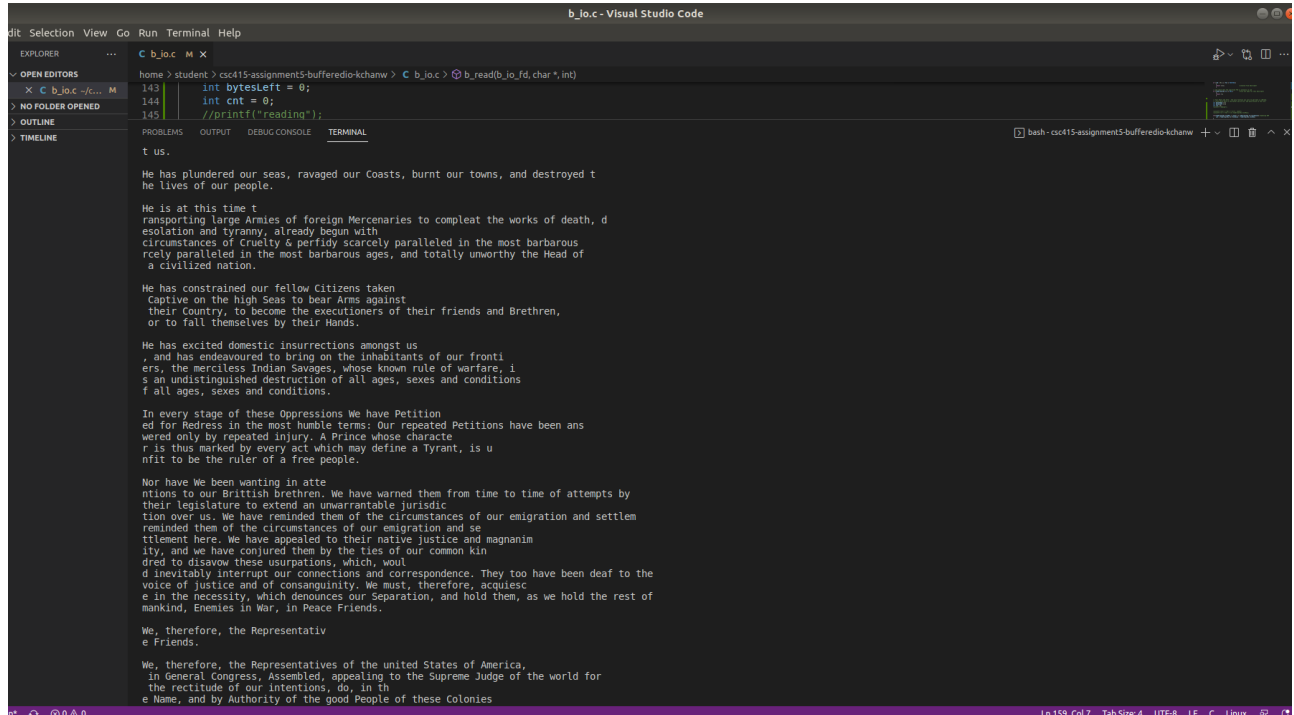
For transporting us beyond Seas to be tri
ed for pretended offences

For abolishing the free System
of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government,
and enlarging its Boundaries so as to re
nder it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same a
bsolute rule into these Colonies:

For taking away our Charters, abolishing ou
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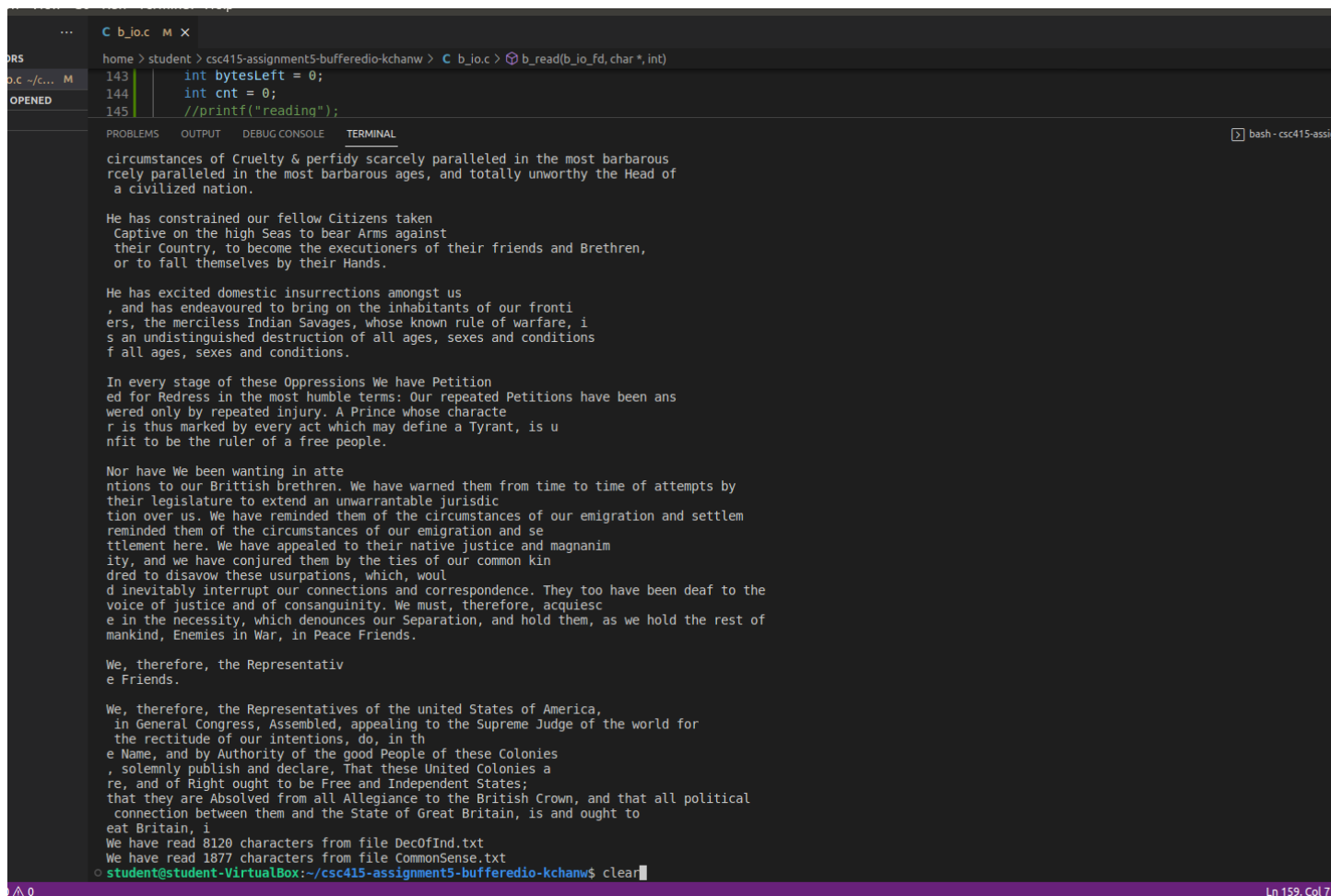


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He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed t
he lives of our people.
He is at this time t
ransporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, d
esolation and tyranny, already begun with
circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous
rcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of
a civilized nation.
He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken
Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against
their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren,
or to fall themselves by their Hands.
He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us
, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our fronti
ers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, i
s an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions
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In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petition
ed for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been ans
wered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose characte
r is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is u
nfit to be the ruler of a free people.
Nor have We been wanting in atte
ntions to our British Brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by
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tion over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlem
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d inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the
voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesc
e in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of
mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.
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connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to
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