

# Lab 3- LCD and Reaction Timer

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1. I set up the LCD as shown in the diagram.
2. I was then able to change the LCD suitably to show the HelloWorld example clearly.
3. Millis returns the amount of time since the Arduino program started.
4. random() generates a pseudo-random number, whereas randomSeed(n) arbitrarily chooses a part of a long sequence as a 'random' number, given a seed n. The sequence is always the same for the same n, however the part chosen will be different.
5. I was able to assemble a circuit that would start a timer, ending 3-10 seconds after starting. It would then play a buzzer until a button was pressed. Then it would print the time to press the button.

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#include <LiquidCrystal.h>
#define PIN 8
#define BUTTON 7
// initialize the library by associating any needed LCD interface pin
// with the arduino pin number it is connected to
const int rs = 12, en = 11, d4 = 5, d5 = 4, d6 = 3, d7 = 2;
unsigned long t;
unsigned long duration;
boolean buzz;
int state;
LiquidCrystal lcd(rs, en, d4, d5, d6, d7);

void setup() {
  lcd.begin(16, 2);
  buzz = true;
  lcd.print("Reaction Timer");
  duration = random(3000, 10000);
  pinMode(PIN, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(BUTTON, INPUT);
}
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void loop() {  
  t = millis();  
  if(buzz){  
    if(t > duration){  
      digitalWrite(PIN, HIGH);  
      delayMicroseconds(1800);  
      digitalWrite(PIN, LOW);  
      delayMicroseconds(1800);  
      lcd.setCursor(0, 1);  
      lcd.print("Press!");  
      state = digitalRead(BUTTON);  
      if(state == HIGH){  
        buzz = false;  
        lcd.setCursor(0,1);  
        char s[20];  
        sprintf(s, "%d", ((t-duration)/1000));  
        lcd.clear();  
        lcd.print("time:");  
        lcd.print(s);  
        lcd.print("s");  
      }  
    }  
    else{  
      lcd.setCursor(0, 1);  
      lcd.print(t/1000);  
    }  
  }  
}
```

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