Mini Compiler – Language Specification

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1. Introduction

This document defines the language rules for our Mini Compiler project.The language is a small C-style language supporting:

-Integer variables

-Assignment statements

-Arithmetic expressions

-Print statements

-If statements (without else)

-While loops (with equality check)

The goal is to keep the language simple and minimal, so that the compiler frontend (Lexer + Parser) and backend can be implemented clearly in C++, using basic standard libraries.

Note:The keyword print is a custom built-in function of our mini language (different from C's printf and c++'s cout).

2. Lexical Elements (Tokens):

2.1 Keywords

-Text
-int
-print

-if
-while

These words are reserved and cannot be used as variable names.

2.2 Identifiers (ID)

- Begin with a letter (a–z or A–Z)
- May contain letters or digits
- No spaces, no symbols

Examples:
a, x, num1, total

2.3 Numbers (NUM)

- Only integer constants allowed
- No decimal points
- No negative literals (use x = x - 1 instead)

Examples:
0, 4, 99, 1000

2.4 Operators:

-Arithmetic Operators:

+

-

*

/

-Assignment Operator:

=

-Comparison Operator:
==

These operators will be recognized by the Lexer and validated by the Parser.

2.5 Symbols:

;
(
)
{
}

These symbols mark statement boundaries and program structure.

2.6 Whitespace:

- Spaces, tabs, and newlines are allowed.
- They are ignored except to separate tokens.
- Extra whitespace does not affect the meaning of the program.

3. Supported Statements

3.1 Variable Declaration

Syntax:
Cpp
int <identifier>;

Examples:
Cpp
int a;
int value;
int num1;

3.2 Assignment Statement

Syntax:
Cpp
<identifier> = <expression>;

Examples:

Cpp
a = 5;
x = a + 3;
total = value * 2;

3.3 Print Statement

Syntax:
Cpp
print(<identifier>);

Example:
Cpp
print(a);

(Remember: print is our own language keyword, not actual C++.)

3.4 If Statement (without else)

Syntax:
Cpp
if (<identifier> == <expression>) {
<statements>
}

Example:
Cpp
if (a == 5) {
print(a);
}

3.5 While Loop

Syntax:
Cpp
while (<identifier> == <expression>) {

<statements>
}

Example:
Cpp
while (x == 0) {
x = x + 1;
}

4. Expressions

Expressions may include:

- Numbers
- Identifiers
- Arithmetic combinations

Examples:
Cpp
5
a
a + 3
a * (b + 2)

5. Sample Programs

⭐ Program 1 — Basic Declaration, Assignment & Print:

Cpp
int a;
a = 5;
print(a);

⭐ Program 2 — Arithmetic with Two Variables:

Cpp
int a;

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int b;
a = 5;
b = a + 3;
print(b);
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⭐ Program 3 — While Loop:

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Cpp
int x;
x = 0;
while (x == 0) {
x = x + 1;
}
print(x);
```

⭐ Program 4 — Invalid Program (for Error Testing)

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Cpp
a = 5;      // Error: 'a' not declared
print(a);   // Error: cannot print undeclared variable
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6. End of Specification

This document defines the complete lexical and syntactic rules of the Mini Language.
The compiler frontend (Lexer + Parser) and backend will strictly follow this specification while being implemented in C++.