

CSC209H Worksheet: Strings

1. Write a program that declares 3 strings. The first named `first` should be set to the value "Monday", and be stored on the stack frame for `main`. `second` should be a string literal with the value "Tuesday". `third` should have value "Wednesday" and be on the heap. The pointers for `second` and `third` will be in stack frame for `main`. Then beside it, draw the memory model for your program after all three strings have been created. Using the starter code posted on the course website, type your program into your computer (or work with a friend on their computer.)

```
int main()

char first[7] = "Monday";

char *second = "Tuesday";

char *third = malloc(10);
strncpy(third, "Wednesday", 10);

char *string_list[3];
string_list[0] = first;
string_list[1] = second;
string_list[2] = third;
```

You should be able to explain why the following is incorrect
third = "Wednesday"

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Section	Address	Value	Label
Read-only	0x100	M o n d a y	
	0x104	T u e s d a y	
	0x108	W e d n e s d a y	
	0x10c		
	0x110		
	0x114		
	0x116		
	0x118		
	0x11c		
	0x120		
Heap	0x23c	M o n d a y	
	0x240	T u e s d a y	
	0x244	W e d n e s d a y	
	0x248		
	0x24c		
	0x250		
	0x254		
	0x258		
	0x25c		
	0x260		
stack frame for main	0x450	M o n d a y	first
	0x454	T u e s d a y	
	0x458	0x108	
	0x45c	0x23c	
	0x460	0x450	
	0x464	0x108	
	0x468	0x23c	
	0x46c		
	0x470		
	0x474		

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2. Add to your program so that it declares an array `string_list` of 3 pointers to char and point the elements to `first`, `second`, and `third`, respectively. So now you have an array of strings. Where is the memory allocated for this array? Add to your memory model diagram as well. Once you have this complete, show it to a TA or the professor and ask for the next handout which has the solutions to questions 1 and 2 and a place to answer question 3.
3. Now, add a new function `build_month_list` that allocates, initializes and returns an array of 3 strings with the values "January", "February", and "March". All the strings need to be mutable, so that the `main` function can shorten them. Remember to uncomment the code in `main` that tests that `build_month_list` is testable.
4. If you are finished (or if you can't figure out why your code isn't working), draw a memory diagram illustrating your program at the moment just before `build_month_list` returns.

see the provided
solution code.

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```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

// Part 3: Implement build_month_list.
```

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```
int main() {
    // Part 1: Declare and initialize first, second, and third.
    char first[7] = "Monday";
    char *second = "Tuesday";
    char *third = malloc(10 * sizeof(char));
    //third = "Wednesday"; <- DOES NOT WORK make sure you understand why!
    strcpy(third, "Wednesday");

    printf("%s %s %s\n", first, second, third);

    // Part 2: Declare and initialize string_list.
    char *string_list[3];
    string_list[0] = first;
    string_list[1] = second;
    string_list[2] = third;

    printf("%s %s %s\n", string_list[0], string_list[1], string_list[2]);

    char **months = build_month_list();
    for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        printf("%s ", months[i]);
    }
    printf("\n");

    for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        months[i][3] = '\0';
        printf("%s ", months[i]);
    }
    printf("\n");

    return 0;
}
```