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Reminder

Frequent Mistakes With Pipes

- **Closing All Read Descriptors Then Trying To Write On Pipe:** Kernel doesn't find where to write the data, causing a SIGPIPE signal or an EPIPE error.
- **Not Closing All Write Descriptors Then Trying To Read From That Pipe:** Kernel waits for the pipe to be written to, as it doesn't see an EOF (End Of File) signal.

Solution

- **Leave at least one read end of the pipe open before writing to it**, so the kernel knows where to write the data.
- **Always close all write ends of a pipe before reading from it**, so the kernel knows that the pipe has reached its EOF.

Exercise 1

The goal of this exercise:

- **child_1:** Accepts input of n characters. Write only alphabetic characters to the pipe, converts lowercase letters to uppercase. Stops when the user inputs '0'.
- **child_2:** Prints the characters written to the pipe by **child_1**.
- **parent:** Creates the child processes and waits for them to finish.

The includes needed

- `stdio.h` : to printf and get user input
- `stdlib.h` : to use exit to terminate whole programe and to terminate child process
- `unistd.h` :to use fork and pipe primitive
- `ctype.h` : to use toupper function
- `sys/wait.h` : to use wait primitive (parent wait for child to terminate)

```
1  #include<stdio.h>
2  #include<stdlib.h>
3  #include<unistd.h>
4  #include<ctype.h>
5  #include<sys/wait.h>
6
7
8  int descriptor[2];
9
10 void child_1();
11
12 void child_2();
13
14
15 int main () {
16
17     if (pipe(descriptor) == -1){
18         printf("Error Pipe Creation Failed");
19         exit(-1);
20     }
21
22     pid_t pid1;
23
24     pid1 = fork();
25
26     if(pid1 == -1){
27         printf("Error Child 1 Processus Creation Failed");
28         exit(-1);
29     }
30
31     else if(pid1==0){
32         child_1();
33     }
34
35     else {
36
37         wait(NULL);
38
39         close(descriptor[1]);
40         pid_t pid2;
41
42         pid2 = fork();
43
44         if(pid2 == -1){
45             printf("Error Child 2 Processus Creation Failed");
46             exit(-1);
47         }
48
49         else if (pid2==0){
50             child_2();
51         }
52
53         else {
54             wait(NULL);
55             close(descriptor[0]);
56             printf("\nEND EX1\n");
57         }
58     }
59 }
60
61 return 0;
62 }
```

child_1 void function :

```
1 void child_1() {
2
3     close(descriptor[0]);
4
5     char car;
6
7     printf("Input Char In CHILD 1\n");
8
9     while ((car = getchar()) != '0') {
10    if(car>='a' && car<='z'){
11        car = toupper(car);
12        write(descriptor[1],&car,1);
13    }
14
15    else if (car>='A' && car <='Z'){
16        write(descriptor[1],&car,1);
17    }
18
19    }
20
21    close(descriptor[1]);
22    exit(0);
23
24 }
```

child_2 void function :

```
1 void child_2() {
2
3     printf("\nPrinting Inputed Chars From CHILD1 in CHILD2 : ");
4
5     char car;
6
7     while(read(descriptor[0],&car,1) > 0){
8         printf("%c",car);
9     }
10
11     printf("\n");
12
13     close(descriptor[0]);
14     exit(0);
15 }
```

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rabah@UbuntuTex:~/Desktop/Documentations/University/3rd_ING_Software/1st_Semester/Operating_System/DW/Solution/Questions/EX1$ gcc ex1.c -o ex1
rabah@UbuntuTex:~/Desktop/Documentations/University/3rd_ING_Software/1st_Semester/Operating_System/DW/Solution/Questions/EX1$ ./ex1
Input Char In CHILD 1
a
v
-
+
2
A
8
B
0

Printing Inputed Chars From CHILD1 in CHILD2 : AVAB
END EX1
```