

## Week 2 Quiz

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1.

Suppose I define the following function in R

```
1 cube <- function(x, n) {  
2     x^3  
3 }
```

What is the result of running

```
1 cube(3)
```

in R after defining this function?

- ☐ The users is prompted to specify the value of 'n'.
- ☐ An error is returned because 'n' is not specified in the call to 'cube'
- ☐ A warning is given with no value returned.
- ☒ The number 27 is returned

**Correct**

Because 'n' is not evaluated, it is not needed even though it is a formal argument.



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2.

The following code will produce a warning in R.

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```
1 x <- 1:10
2 if(x > 5) {
3     x <- 0
4 }
```

Why?

- ☐ The syntax of this R expression is incorrect.
- ☐ There are no elements in 'x' that are greater than 5
- ☐ The expression uses curly braces.
- ☐ You cannot set 'x' to be 0 because 'x' is a vector and 0 is a scalar.
- ☒ 'x' is a vector of length 10 and 'if' can only test a single logical statement.

Correct



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3.

Consider the following function

```
1 f <- function(x) {
2     g <- function(y) {
3         y + z
4     }
5     z <- 4
6     x + g(x)
7 }
```

If I then run in R

```
1 z <- 10
2 f(3)
```

What value is returned?

- ☒ 10

Correct

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4.

Consider the following expression:

```
1 x <- 5
2 y <- if(x < 3) {
3     NA
4 } else {
5     10
6 }
```

What is the value of 'y' after evaluating this expression?

☐ 5

☐ 3

☒ 10



**Correct**

☐ NA

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5.

Consider the following R function

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```
1  h <- function(x, y = NULL, d = 3L) {  
2      z <- cbind(x, d)  
3      if(!is.null(y))  
4          z <- z + y  
5      else  
6          z <- z + f  
7      g <- x + y / z  
8      if(d == 3L)  
9          return(g)  
10     g <- g + 10  
11     g  
12 }
```

Which symbol in the above function is a free variable?

☒ f

Correct

☐ z

☐ d

☐ L

☐ g



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6.

What is an environment in R?

☐ a list whose elements are all functions

☐ an R package that only contains data

☒ a collection of symbol/value pairs

Correct

☐ a special type of function

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7.

The R language uses what type of scoping rule for resolving free variables?

- ☐ compilation scoping
- ☐ dynamic scoping
- ☐ global scoping
- ☒ lexical scoping

**Correct**

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8.

How are free variables in R functions resolved?

- ☐ The values of free variables are searched for in the global environment
- ☒ The values of free variables are searched for in the environment in which the function was defined

**Correct**

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9.

What is one of the consequences of the scoping rules used in R?

- ☐ R objects cannot be larger than 100 MB
- ☐ All objects can be stored on the disk



All objects must be stored in memory

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Functions cannot be nested

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10.

In R, what is the parent frame?



It is the package search list



It is the environment in which a function was defined



It is the environment in which a function was called



**Correct**



It is always the global environment

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