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STAT40840: Data programming with SAS Laura Kirwan

Solutions to Exercises
Week 1

How does SAS detect the end of each step in this program?

```
data work.newsalesemps;
   length First Name $ 12
          Last \overline{N}ame $ 18 Job Title $ 25;
   infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',';
   input First Name $ Last Name $
         Job Title $ Salary;
                                                  L1 E1.sas
run;
proc print data=work.newsalesemps;
proc means data=work.newsalesemps;
   var Salary;
quit;
```



Exercise 1 solution

How does SAS detect the end of each step in this program?

```
data work.newsalesemps;
   length First Name $ 12
           Last \overline{N}ame $ 18 Job Title $ 25;
   infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',';
                        Last Name $
   input
           run statement
                        alary;
                                                    L1 E1.sas
run
proc
                new procedure - implicit end
                   real real semps;
proc means
   var Sala quit statement
```



How many statements make up this DATA step?

L1_E2.sas

```
data work.newsalesemps;
   length First_Name $ 12
        Last_Name $ 18 Job_Title $ 25;
   infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',';
   input First_Name $ Last_Name $
        Job_Title $ Salary;
run;
```



Exercise 2 solution

How many statements make up this DATA step?

L1_E2.sas

```
data work.newsalesemps;
length First_Name $ 12
    Last_Name $ 18 Job_Title $ 25;
infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',';
input First_Name $ Last_Name $
    Job_Title $ Salary;
run;
```

This DATA step has five statements.



- Open and examine L1_E3.sas. Based on the comments, which steps do you think are executed and what output is generated?
- Submit the program. Which steps were executed?



Exercise 3 solution

- Open and examine L1_E3.sas. Based on the comments, which steps do you think are executed and what output is generated?
- Submit the program. Which steps were executed?
 - The DATA step executes and creates an output data set.
 - The PROC PRINT step executes and produces a report.
 - The PROC MEANS step is "commented out," and therefore, does not execute.



This program includes three syntax errors. One is an invalid option. What are the other two syntax errors?

```
daat work.newsalesemps;
   length First Name $ 12
                                                      L1 E4.sas
          Last \overline{N}ame $ 18 Job Title $ 25;
   infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',';
   input First Name $ Last Name $
         Job Title $ Salary;
run;
proc print data=work.newsalesemps
run;
                                             invalid option
proc means data=work.newsalesemps average min;
   var Salary;
run;
```



Exercise 4 solution

This program includes three syntax errors. One is an invalid option. What are the other two syntax errors?

```
L1 E4.sas
          misspelled
                    mps;
daat work
          keyword
                    e $ 12
   length
          Last Name $ 18 Job Title $ 25;
   infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',';
   input First Name $ Last Name $
         Job Title $ Salary;
                                         missing
run;
                                          semicolon
proc print data=work.newsalesemps
run;
                                             invalid option
proc means data=work.newsalesemps average
   var Salary;
run;
```



What is the syntax error in this program?

L1_E5.sas

```
data work.newsalesemps;
   length First Name $ 12
          Last Name $ 18 Job Title $ 25;
   infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',;
   input First Name $ Last Name $
         Job Title $ Salary;
run;
proc print data=work.newsalesemps
run;
proc means data=work.newsalesemps average min;
   var Salary;
run;
```



Exercise 5 solution

What is the syntax error in this program?

L1_E5.sas

```
data work.newsalesemps;
  length First_Name $ 12
        Last_Name $ 18 Job_Title $ 25;
  infile "&path\newemps.csv" dlm=',;
  input First_Name $ Last_Name $
        Job_Title $ Salary;
run;

proc print data=work.newsalesemps
run;

proc means data=work.newsalesemps average min;
  var Salary;
run;
```

The program contains unbalanced quotation marks in the DLM= option in the INFILE statement.

