

Introduction to **WPILib** (with Java)

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This test will evaluate the familiarity of the WPI Libraries, which is commonly used in numerous FIRST[®]robotics competitions.

The following topics will be on this test:

- Robot Program Frameworks (`TimedRobot`, `IterativeRobot`, `SampleRobot`, etc.)
- Methods from `IterativeRobotBase` (`robotInit()`, `autonomousPeriodic()`, etc.)*
- Setting driver ports
- Commands*
- Sensors*
- RoboRIO
- TalonSRX[®]*
- Deprecation and Annotations
- Package Names
- Programming Habits and Conventions

* Starred items are extremely important in programming a robot

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Use this page for scratch work if desired

Scratch work will not be graded

PART ONE: Multiple Choice (20 pts)

Instructions: Choose the correct solution to the problem, there is only one correct answer for each problem unless otherwise stated.

1. The method `robotInit()` has what purpose? (1 pt)
 - (a) for code that will start up the robot
 - (b) this method should not be modified and left as is
 - (c) for any initialization code when the robot is first started up
 - (d) for variables that need to be initialized
 - (e) for code that needs to be called repeatedly
2. The method `autonomousPeriodic()` has what purpose? Choose the best answer. (1 pt)
 - (a) for code that will start up the robot, from the auton period
 - (b) this method should not be modified and left as is
 - (c) for any initialization code when the robot is first started up
 - (d) for variables that need to be initialized in the auton period
 - (e) for code that needs to be called repeatedly in auton only
3. Which class should hold the driver controller ports? Select 2 answers. ($\frac{1}{2}$ pt each)
 - (a) `OI.java`
 - (b) `Robot.java`
 - (c) `RobotMap.java`
 - (d) `.classpath`

4. List all the methods that we can override from **TimedRobot**. One bonus point will be awarded for each correct description of the use of said method. (11 pts)

Ex: method name	time period	Init/Periodic
	auton	Init
autonomousPeriodic		
	disabled	
	disabled	Periodic
	robot	
	teleop	Init
		Periodic
testInit	test	
	test	

5. Which is an actual Talon[®] Control Mode? (1 pt)
- (a) Percent Voltage
 - (b) Position Opened-Loop
 - (c) Voltage Usage
 - (d) Velocity Opened-Loop
6. Which best defines what a Talon[®] Control Mode is? (1 pt)
- (a) a joystick
 - (b) a B/C CAL button
 - (c) firmware that calculates the motor-output
 - (d) allows a "Robot Controller" to specify/select a target value to meet
7. How many Trajectory points can a Motion Profile Buffer hold? (1 pt)
- (a) 32
 - (b) 64
 - (c) 128
 - (d) As many as you want it to

8. What does PID stand for? One bonus point will be awarded for the name of the known value F which is supplied to the output as a guesstimate so the PID only has to make minor corrections. (1 pt)

- (a) PID, Is, Differential
- (b) Proportional, Integral, Derivative
- (c) Point, Intersection, Dimensions
- (d) PID does not stand for anything

Bonus Question:

- name of the word that starts with an F is: _____

9. What method in `Robot.java` is most likely to hold the following code? (1 pt)

```
drivetrainSubsystem = new DrivetrainSubsystem(); // of class DrivetrainSubsystem
elevatorSubsystem = new ElevatorSubsystem(); // of class ElevatorSubsystem
intakeSubsystem = new IntakeSubsystem(); // of class IntakeSubsystem

oi = new OI(); // of class OI (Operator Interface)
```

- (a) `robotPeriodic()`
- (b) `testInit()`
- (c) `autonomousInit()`
- (d) `teleopPeriodic()`

10. Any command that you create must extend which of the following classes? (1 pt)

- (a) `NewCommand`
- (b) `CommandInit`
- (c) new commands don't have to extend any other class
- (d) `Command`

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Section II: Free Response (20 pts)

Instructions: Write the most efficient solution to the following methods.

11. Write an "IRSensor" class that:
- is in the org.usfirst.frc.team1923.robot.team1923 package
 - imports edu.wpi.first.wpilibj.AnalogInput from wpilib
 - has variables for the portNumber and the distance in the class
 - has a constructor that accepts the analog port number and sets it in the class
 - has a getDistance() method that returns the distance (double)

Use pencil if possible. (11 pts)

// put package and import(s) below

```
public class IRSensor {
```

// class variables

// class constructor

// getDistance() method

```
}
```

12. What class do we have Robot.java extend? What other class(es) could it extend? (3 pts)

13. What should you do if you see that a class that you were planning on using is deprecated?
(3 pts)

14. Briefly describe what the WPI Robotics library (WPILibJ[®]) is. How is it used? (Explain in 3 meaningful sentences for full credit) (3 pts)

Extra Credit:

15. How should whitespace be formatted? (1 pt)

- (a) 1 tab
- (b) 4 spaces
- (c) 2 spaces
- (d) 2 tabs

END OF EXAM