Introduction to Computer Science

# Lab 3.3 - Let Me Check My Calendar

In this lab, you will write some custom blocks that take arguments and are useful for calculations involving dates and calendars.

#### 1 - Basics

- 1. Write a custom SNAP block called "month name" that takes a number between 1 and 12 as an argument and says the name of the corresponding month.
- 2. Write a custom SNAP block called "day name" that takes a number between 1 and 7 as an argument and says the name of the corresponding day. For our purposes, the week begins on Sunday.
- 3. Write a custom SNAP block called "days in " that takes a month name as an argument and says how many days are in that month. Assume a non-leap year.

#### 2 - Going Farther

- 1. Write a custom SNAP block called "is a leap year" that takes a year number as an argument and says whether or not that year is a leap year.
  - A year is a leap year if the year is a multiple of 4 that is not a multiple of 100 (e.g. 1984), or if it is a multiple of 400 (e.g. 2000). Years that are mutiples of 100 but not mutiples of 400 are NOT leap years (e.g. 1800). See <u>Wikipedia</u> for more detail.
- 2. Write a custom SNAP block called "is a valid date" that takes a month name and a date as arguments and says whether or not that date exists in that month. For example, the 31st is a valid date in January, but not in June. The 5th is a valid date in every month, and the 40th is not a valid date in any month.
- 3. Write a custom SNAP block called "day in year" that takes a year number and a number between 1 and 366 and says the date that corresponds to that numbered day of the specified year. For example, in non-leap years day #1 is January 1, day #32 is February 1, day #365 is December 31, and day #185 is July 4. Give an error message if the number is 366 and a non-leap year is specified.
- 4. BONUS: Write a custom SNAP block called "day of week" that takes a month name, date, and year as arguments and says the day of week on which that date falls in that year.

  See<a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Determination\_of\_the\_day\_of\_the\_week">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Determination\_of\_the\_day\_of\_the\_week</a> for information on finding the day of the week from a date.

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## **Grading Scheme/Rubric**

Lab 3.3 Criteria	
1.1 month name	5 points
1.2 day name	5 points
1.3 days in	5 points
2.1 is leap year	5 points
2.2 is a valid date	5 points
2.3 day in year	5 points
2.4 Bonus: day in week	5 points
PROJECT TOTAL	30 points