

Control Instructions



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Question 2.1

What will be the output of the following program?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 4;
    switch (i)
    {
        default:
            printf ("A mouse is an elephant built by the Japanese\n");
        case 1:
            printf ("Breeding rabbits is a hare raising experience\n");
            break;
        case 2:
            printf ("Friction is a drag\n");
            break;
        case 3:
            printf ("If practice makes perfect, then nobody's perfect\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Answer

A mouse is an elephant built by the Japanese
 Breeding rabbits is a hare raising experience

Question 2.2

In the program given below, point out the error, if any, in the *for* loop.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
```

```
{
    int i = 1;
    for ( ; ; )
    {
        printf ("%d\n", i++);
        if (i > 10)
            break;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- A. There should be a condition in the *for* loop.
- B. The two semicolons should be dropped.
- C. The *for* loop should be replaced by a *while* loop.
- D. No error.

Answer

D

Question 2.3

In the program given below, point out the error, if any, in the *while* loop.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 1;
    while()
    {
        printf ("%d\n", i++);
        if (i > 10)
            break;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- A. There should be a condition in the *while* loop.
- B. There should be at least a semicolon in the *while()*.
- C. The *while* loop should be replaced by a *for* loop.
- D. No error.

Answer

A

Question 2.4

Which of the following statements are correct about an *if-else* statement in a C program?

- A. Every *if-else* statement can be replaced by an equivalent statement using ?: operators.
- B. Nested *if-else* statements are allowed.
- C. If we use an *if* it is compulsory to use an *else*.
- D. Multiple statements in an *if* block are allowed.
- E. Multiple statements in an *else* block are allowed.

Answer

B, D, E

Question 2.5

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int x = 10, y = 20;
    if ( !( !x ) && x )
```

```
    printf ( "x = %d\n", x );
    else
        printf ( "y = %d\n", y );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. y = 20
- B. x = 0
- C. x = 10
- D. x = 1
- E. x = -10

Answer

C

Question 2.6

In the program given below, point out the error, if any, in the *while* loop.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    void fun( );
    int i = 1;
    while ( i <= 5 )
    {
        printf ( "%d\n", i );
        if ( i > 2 )
            goto here;
    }
    return 0 ;
}
void fun( )
{
    here:
```

```

    printf( "If it works, Don't fix it\n" );
}

```

Answer

goto cannot take control to a function other than the one in which it is being used. In other words, *goto* cannot perform a non-local jump.

Question 2.7

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    char i = 0;
    for ( i <= 5 && i >= -1 ; ++i ; i > 0 )
        printf( "%d\n", i );
    printf( "\n" );
    return 0 ;
}

```

- A. 1 2 3 ... 126 127 -128 -127 ... -2 -1
- B. Expression syntax error
- C. No Output
- D. 0 1 2 3 4 5

Answer

A

Question 2.8

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    char ch ;
    if ( ( ch = printf( "" ) ) )
        printf( "It matters \n" );
    else
        printf( "It doesn't matter \n" );
    return 0 ;
}

```

- A. It matters
- B. It doesn't matter
- C. matters
- D. No Output

Answer

B

Question 2.9

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int i = 1 ;
    switch ( i )
    {

```

```

printf( "Hello\n" );
case 1:
    printf( "Hi\n" );
    break;
case 2:
    printf( "\nBye\n" );
    break;
}
return 0;
}

```

- A. Hello
Hi
- B. Hello
Bye
- C. Hi
- D. Bye
- E. Hello
Hi
Bye

Answer

C

Question 2.10

Which of the following errors would be reported by the compiler on compiling the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
```

```

{
    int a = 5;
    switch ( n )
    {
        case 1:
        ..
        case 2:
        ..
        case 3 + 5:
        ..
        case a:
        ..
    }
    return 0;
}

```

- A. Variables cannot be checked using a *switch* as in *case a*
- B. Expression as in *case 3 + 5* is not allowed
- C. All cases in the *switch* are not unique
- D. There is no *break* statement in each case
- E. There is no *continue* statement in each case

Answer

A, C

Question 2.11

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a = 500, b = 100, c ;
    if ( !a >= 400 )
        b = 300;
    c = 200;
```

```

printf ("b = %d c = %d\n", b, c);
return 0;
}

```

- A. b = 300 c = 200
- B. b = 100 c = garbage
- C. b = 300 c = garbage
- D. b = 100 c = 200
- E. b = 200 c = 300

Answer

D

Question 2.12

Which of the following statements are correct about the C program given below?

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int x = 10, y = 100 % 90, i;
    for (i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {
        if (x != y) {
            printf ("x = %d y = %d\n", x, y);
        }
    }
    return 0;
}

```

- A. The *printf()* function is called 10 times.
- B. The program will produce the output x = 10 y = 10.
- C. The ; after the *if(x!=y)* will NOT produce an error.
- D. The program will not produce any output.
- E. The *printf()* function is called infinite times.

Answer

B, C

Question 2.13

Point out the error, if any, in the following program.

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 4, j = 2;
    switch (i)
    {
        case 1:
            printf ("To err is human, to forgive is against Co. policy\n");
            break;
        case j:
            printf ("If you have nothing to do, don't do it here.\n");
            break;
    }
    return 0;
}

```

Answer

Constant expression required in the second case, we cannot use *j*.

Question 2.14

Point out the error, if any, in the following program.

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 1;
    switch (i)
    {

```

```

case 1:
    printf ( "Radioactive cats have 18 half-lives.\n" );
    break;
case 1 * 2 + 4:
    printf ( "Bottle for rent - enquire within.\n" );
    break;
}
return 0;
}

```

Answer

No error. Constant expressions like $1 * 2 + 4$ are acceptable in cases of a *switch*.

Question 2.15

Point out the error, if any, in the following program.

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int a = 10 ;
    switch ( a )
    {
    }
    printf ( "Programmers never die. They just get lost in the processing\n" );
    return 0 ;
}

```

Answer

Though never required, there can exist a *switch*, which has no cases.

Question 2.16

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```

#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int i = 5 ;
    while ( i-- >= 0 ) printf ( "%d ", i );
    i = 5 ;
    printf ( "\n" );
    while ( i-- >= 0 ) printf ( "%oi ", i );
    printf ( "\n" );
    while ( i-- >= 0 ) printf ( "%d ", i );
    printf ( "\n" );
    return 0 ;
}

```

- A. 4 3 2 1 0 -1
4 3 2 1 0 -1
- B. 5 4 3 2 1 0
5 4 3 2 1 0
- C. Error
- D. 5 4 3 2 1 0
5 4 3 2 1 0
5 4 3 2 1 0

Answer

A

Question 2.17

Point out the error, if any, in the following program.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 1;
    switch (i)
    {
        printf ("Hello\n") ; /* common for both cases */
        case 1 :
            printf ("Individualists unite!\n");
            break ;
        case 2 :
            printf ("Money is the root of all wealth.\n");
            break ;
    }
    return 0 ;
}
```

Answer

Though there is no error, irrespective of the value of *i* the first *printf()* can never get executed. In other words, all statements in a *switch* have to belong to some *case* or the other.

Question 2.18

Rewrite the following set of statements using conditional operators.

```
int a = 1, b ;
if ( a > 10 )
    b = 20 ;
```

Answer

```
int a = 1, b, dummy ;
a > 10 ? b = 20 : dummy = 1 ;
```

Note that the following would make the first ; work as a statement terminator and the second ; work as a null statement.

```
a > 10 ? b = 20 : ; ;
```

Question 2.19

Point out the error, if any, in the following program.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a = 10, b ;
    a >= 5 ? b = 100 : b = 200 ;
    printf ("%d\n", b) ;
    return 0 ;
}
```

Answer

Visual Studio does not report any error for this program. However, Turbo C/C++ compiler objects saying 'Lvalue required in function *main()*'. To avoid this error the second assignment should be written in parentheses as follows:

```
a >= 5 ? b = 100 : ( b = 200 ) ;
```

Question 2.20

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 0 ;
    while ( i++ != 0 )
        printf ( "%d ", ++i );
    printf ( "\n" );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. 0 1 2 127
- B. 0 1 2 65535
- C. 1 2 32767 -32766 -32765 -1 0
- D. No output

Answer

D

Question 2.21

Which of the following statements is correct about the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 0 ;
    for ( i = 0 ; i <= 127 ; printf ( "%d", i++ ) )
        ;
    printf ( "\n" );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. The program would go in an infinite loop
- B. The program would output 0 1 2 126 127
- C. The program would not produce any output
- D. The program would report an error: Cannot use printf() in for loop

Answer

B

Question 2.22

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    char str[ ] = "Part-time musicians are semiconductors" ;
    int a = 5 ;
    printf ( a > 10 ? "%50s\n" : "%s\n", str ) ;
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. Part-time musicians are semiconductors
- B. Part-time musicians are semiconductors
- C. Error
- D. None of the above

Answer

A

Question 2.23

What is more efficient a *switch* statement or an *if-else* chain?

Answer

As far as efficiency is concerned there would hardly be any difference, if at all. If the cases in a *switch* are sparsely distributed the compiler may internally use the equivalent of an *if-else* chain instead of a compact jump table. However, one should use *switch* where one can. It is definitely a cleaner way to program and certainly is not any less efficient than the *if-else* chain.

Question 2.24

Can we use a *switch* statement to switch on strings?

Answer

No. The cases in a *switch* must either have integer constants or constant expressions.

Question 2.25

We want to test whether a value lies in the range 2 to 4 or 5 to 7. Can we do this using a switch?

Answer

Yes, though in a way which would not be very practical if the ranges are bigger. The way is shown below:

```
switch ( a )
{
    case 2:
    case 3:
    case 4:
        /* some statements */
        break;
    case 5:
    case 6:
    case 7:
```

```
    /* some other statements */
    break;
}
```

Question 2.26

The way *break* is used to take the control out of *switch* can *continue* be used to take the control to the beginning of the *switch*? [Yes/No]

Answer

No. *continue* can work only with loops and not with *switch*.

Question 2.27

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a = 300, b, c;
    if ( a >= 400 )
        b = 300;
        c = 200;
    printf ( "%d %d %d\n", a, b, c );
    return 0;
}
```

- A. 300 300 200
- B. Garbage 300 200
- C. 300 Garbage 200
- D. 300 300 Garbage

Answer

C

Question 2.28

Which of the following statements are correct about the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int x = 30, y = 40 ;
    if ( x == y )
        printf ( "x is equal to y\n" );
    elseif ( x > y )
        printf ( "x is greater than y\n" );
    elseif ( x < y )
        printf ( "x is less than y\n" );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. Error: 'elseif' is not a keyword in C'
- B. Error: 'Expression syntax'
- C. Error: 'Lvalue required'
- D. Error: 'Rvalue required'

Answer

A

To make the program work replace 'elseif' with 'else if'.

Question 2.29

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    float a = 0.7 ;
    if ( 0.7 > a )
        printf ( "Hi\n" );
    else
        printf ( "Hello\n" );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. Hi
- B. Hello
- C. Ho Hello
- D. None of the above

Answer

A.

Here *a* is a *float*, whereas 0.7 is a *double*. When 0.7 is stored in *a* what gets stored is a 32-bit binary equivalent of 0.7. The binary equivalent of 0.7 turns out to be a recurring number. This recurring number is terminated at 32 bits when it is stored in *a*. As against this, when 0.7 is treated as a *double* the recurring binary equivalent of 0.7 is terminated at 64 bits. When the 64-bit recurring binary equivalent of 0.7 is compared with 32-bit recurring binary equivalent of 0.7, the 64-bit value turns out to be greater than the 32-bit value. Hence the condition turns out to be true.

Question 2.30

How would you convert the following program to eliminate the *if.. else if.. else* clause?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int x ;
    printf ( "Enter value of x as 0 or 1\n" ) ;
    scanf ( "%d", &x ) ;
    if ( x == 0 )
        printf ( "x is equal to zero\n" ) ;
    else if ( x == 1 )
        printf ( "x is equal to one\n" ) ;
    else
        printf ( "You entered a wrong number\n" ) ;
    return 0 ;
}
```

Answer

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int x ;
    printf ( "Enter value of x as 0 or 1\n" ) ;
    scanf ( "%d", &x ) ;
    switch ( x )
    {
        case 0 :
            printf ( "x is equal to zero\n" ) ;
            break ;
        case 1 :
            printf ( "x is equal to one\n" ) ;
            break ;
    }
}
```

```
default :
    printf ( "You entered a wrong number\n" ) ;
    return 0 ;
}
}
```

Question 2.31

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    int i = 3 ;
    switch ( i )
    {
        case 1 :
            printf ( "Hello\n" ) ;
        case 2 :
            printf ( "Hi\n" ) ;
            break ;
        case 3 :
            continue ;
        default :
            printf ( "Bye\n" ) ;
    }
    return 0 ;
}
```

A. Error : 'Misplaced Continue'
 B. Bye
 C. No output
 D. Hello Hi

Answer

A

Question 2.32

Which of the following statements are correct about the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    char x;
    while ( x = 0 ; x <= 255 ; x++ )
        printf ( "Ascii value %d Character %c\n", x, x );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. The program goes in an infinite loop.
- B. The program prints all the ASCII values with its corresponding characters.
- C. Error: x should be declared as an *int*.
- D. The program reports an error as *while* loop cannot take the form of a *for* loop.

Answer

D

Question 2.33

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
```

```
{
    int k, num = 30 ;
    k = ( num > 5 ? ( num <= 10 ? 100 : 200 ) : 500 ) ;
    printf ( "%d\n", k );
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. 200
- B. 5
- C. 100
- D. 500

Answer

A

Question 2.34

Which of the following is not a logical operator?

- A. &
- B. &&
- C. ||
- D. !

Answer

A

Question 2.35

Which of the following cannot be checked in a *switch - case* statement?

- A. Character
- B. Integer
- C. Float

D. enum

Answer

C

Question 2.36

Which of the following statements are correct about a *for* loop used in a C program?

- A. *for* loop works faster than a *while* loop. (*Both are same*)
- B. Everything that can be done using a *for* loop can also be done using a *while* loop.
- C. *for* (*;;*) implements an infinite loop.
- D. *for* loop can be used if we want statements in a loop to get executed at least once.
- E. *for* loop works faster than a *do-while* loop.

Answer

B, C, D

Question 2.37

Which of the following statements are correct about the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 10, j = 20;
    if (i == 5) && if (j == 10) if ((i==5) && (j== 10))
        printf ("Have a nice day\n");
    return 0;
}
```

- cross*
- A. Output: Have a nice day
 - B. No output
 - C. Error: 'Expression syntax'
 - D. Error: 'Undeclared identifier if'

Answer

C.

The correct form of *if* would be:

```
if ((i == 5) && (j == 10))
    printf ("Have a nice day\n");
```

Question 2.38

Q Which of the following statements are correct about the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int n = 0, y = 1;
    y == 1 ? (n = 0) : (n = 1);
    if (n)
        printf ("YES\n");
    else
        printf ("NO\n");
    return 0;
}
```

- A. Error: 'Declaration terminated incorrectly'
- B. Error: 'Syntax error'
- C. Error: 'Lvalue required'
- D. Error: 'Expression syntax'

- E. The program works correctly without error.

Answer

E

Question 2.39

Which of the following statements are correct about a *switch* statement in a C program?

- A. *switch* is useful when we wish to check the value of a variable against a particular set of values.
- B. *switch* is useful when we wish to check whether a value falls in different ranges.
- C. Compiler implements a jump table for cases used in a *switch*.
- D. It is NOT compulsory to use a *break* in every *switch* statement.
- E. A common set of statements CANNOT be used for multiple cases in a *switch*.

Answer

A, C, D

Question 2.40

Which of the following statements are correct about the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 0;
    i++;
}
```

```
if ( i <= 5 )
{
    printf ( "adds wings to your thoughts\n" );
    exit ( 0 ); Stops the program
    main();
}
return 0;
```

- A. The program prints 'adds wings to your thoughts' five times.
- B. The program prints 'adds wings to your thoughts' infinite times.
- C. The program prints 'adds wings to your thoughts' once.
- D. The call to *main()* after *exit(0)* doesn't materialize.
- E. The compiler reports an error since *main()* cannot call itself.

Answer

C, D

Question 2.41

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int x = 3;
    float y = 3.0;
    if ( x == y )
        printf ( "x and y are equal\n" );
    else
        printf ( "x and y are not equal\n" );
    return 0;
}
```

- A. x and y are equal
 B. x and y are not equal
 C. Unpredictable
 D. No output

Answer

A

During comparison x would get promoted to a *float* and then two *floats* would be compared.

Question 2.42

Which of the following statements are correct about the following program?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 10, j = 15;
    if (i % 2 = j % 3) → Given an error
        printf ("\nCarpathians");
    return 0;
}
```

- A. Error: 'Expression syntax'
 B. Error: 'Lvalue required'
 C. Error: 'Rvalue required'
 D. The code runs successfully.

Answer

B

Question 2.43

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int a = 0, b = 1, c = 3;
    *((a)? &b : &a) = a ? b : c;
    printf ("%d %d %d\n", a, b, c);
    return 0;
}
```

$\star((a)? \&b : \&a) = a ? b : c$

\downarrow

$\star(\&a) = c$

value at $\&a = c$.
 $a = c$.
 $= 3$

Answer

C

Question 2.44

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int i = 0;
    for (; i < 5 ; i++);
        printf ("%d \n", i);
    return 0;
}
```

- A. 0 1 2 3 4
 ✓B. 5
 C. 1 2 3 4
 D. 6

Answer

B

Question 2.45

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    char j = 1;
    while (j <= 255)
    {
        printf ("%d ", j);
        j = j + 1;
    }
    printf ("\n");
    return 0;
}
```

A. 1 2 3 .. 127
 B. 1 2 3 .. 255
 C. 1 2 3 .. 254 255 0 1 2 3 .. 254 255 .. infinite times
 D. 1 2 3 .. 127 128 0 1 2 3 .. 127 128 .. infinite times
 ✓E. 1 2 3 .. 127 -128 -127 -126 .. -2 -1 0 1 2 .. 127 -128 -127 .. infinite times

Answer

E

Question 2.46

Which of the following is the correct output for the program given below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int x = 1, y = 1;
    for ( ; y ; printf (" %d %d\n", x, y ))
        y = x++ <= 5 ;
    return 0 ;
}
```

- A. 2 1
 3 1
 4 1
 5 1
 6 1
 7 0

- B. 2 1
 3 1
 4 1
 5 1
 6 1

- C. 2 1
 3 1
 4 1
 5 1

- D. 2 1

- 3 1
4 1
4 1

E. 2 2
3 3
4 4
5 5

Answer

A

Question 2.47

On executing the following program how many times will the message "Keep it up" get printed?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int x;
    for (x = -1; x <= 10; x++)
    {
        if (x < 5)
            continue; → it will not print
        else
            break;
        printf ("Keep it up\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

- A. Infinite times
B. 11 times
C. 0 times

- D. Once
E. 10 times

Answer

C

Question 2.48

How many times the *while* loop in the following program will get executed if a *short int* is 2 byte wide?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
    int j = 1;
    while (j <= 255); → semi colon
    {
        printf ("%c %d \n", j, j);
        j++;
    } → it will never come to j++
    return 0;
}
```

- A. Infinite times
B. 255 times
C. 256 times
D. Only once
E. 254 times

Answer

A

Question 2.49

How would you rewrite the following program using a *while* and a *for* loop?

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    char ch = 'Y';
    do
    {
        /* some logic */
        printf ( "Continue Y/N " );
        fflush ( stdin );
        scanf ( "%c", &ch );
    } while ( ch == 'Y' );
}
```

Answer

Program using *for* loop:

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    char ch = 'Y';
    for(;;)
    {
        /* some logic */
        printf ( "Continue Y/N " );
        fflush ( stdin );
        scanf ( "%c", &ch );
        if ( ch != 'Y' )
            break;
    }
}
```

Program using *while* loop:

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main( )
{
    char ch = 'Y';
    while ( 1 ) requires parameter
    {
        /* some logic */
        printf ( "Continue Y/N " );
        fflush ( stdin );
        scanf ( "%c", &ch );
        if ( ch != 'Y' )
            break;
    }
}
```