

CS 1101 – Introduction to Computer Science

Spring 2022

Lab 7- Birthdays/Generations



Due Date: Friday, March 11, end of the day (11:59pm).

Objective: The goal of this assignment is to get familiar with taking input using **Scanner**, processing **variables**, **conditions**, **loops**, **read files**, and **methods**.

Background:

You are to create a program that reads a text file, then calculates the number of years of each person, and then prints the corresponding generation.

***Hint:** Think how you can implement the program using 2 methods besides the main method, read the steps described below.*

Assignment:

1. Main method: To begin, read the text file given("birthdays.txt") using *FileReader* and *Scanner*. The format of the text file is as follows:

BirthYear BirthMonth BirthDay Name

***Hint:** Reminder to implement a while loop to read the file.*

Extract the information of column1 (BirthYear), column 2(BirthMonth), column3 (BirthDay), and column4(Name).

2. Create a method called *yearsOfPerson* that takes one integer number(BirthYear),and returns the number of years of the person.

In this method, calculate the number of years that the person has.

Age of a Person = GivenYear - BirthYear

Using the formula to calculate Ron's age:

Age of a Person = GivenYear - BirthYear

Ron's BirthYear = 1985

Assume GivenYear = 2022

Age of a Person = 2022 - 1985 = 37 years.

3. From your main method, call method *yearsOfPerson(BirthYear)*, then save the output of this

method in an integer variable.

`AgeOfPerson = yearsOfPerson(BirthYear)`

4. Create a method called *yearGenerations* that takes one integer number (*AgeOfPerson*), and returns the corresponding generation of that person, according to the following:

- ☐ <6 years: Generation Alpha
- ☐ 6 – 21 years: Generation Z
- ☐ 22 – 37 years: Millennials Generation
- ☐ 38 – 53 years: Generation X
- ☐ 54 – 72 years: Baby Boomers Generation
- ☐ 73 – 90 years: Silent Generation
- ☐ >90 years: Greatest Generation

5. From your main method, call method *yearGenerations*(*AgeOfPerson*), then save the output of this method in a String variable.

`generation = yearGeneration(years)`

6. In your main method, print the following in a table format for every person in the text file:

`BirthYear BirthMonth BirthDay Name Years Generation`
`1985 July 3 Ron 37 Millennials`

Sample output:

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Name	Year	Month	Day	Age	Generation
Luis	2005	7	12	17	Generation Z
Maria	1995	4	23	27	Millennials Generation
Jack	1965	5	9	57	Baby Boomers Generation
Elizabeth	1976	12	26	46	Generation X
Lucy	1845	9	5	177	Greatest Generation
Edgar	2010	7	2	12	Generation Z
Jose	1705	2	28	317	Greatest Generation
Thomas	2022	1	31	0	Generation Alpha
Alexandra	1897	3	4	125	Greatest Generation
Alicia	1998	6	8	24	Millennials Generation
Joe	2010	8	15	12	Generation Z
Miriam	1974	7	12	48	Generation X
Karina	1999	4	23	23	Millennials Generation
Louis	1888	5	9	134	Greatest Generation
Henry	1985	12	26	37	Millennials Generation
David	2001	9	5	21	Generation Z
Charly	2005	7	2	17	Generation Z
Victoria	1963	2	28	59	Baby Boomers Generation
Roberto	1974	1	31	48	Generation X
Alma	1987	3	4	35	Millennials Generation
Irma	1992	6	8	30	Millennials Generation
Miguel	1984	8	15	38	Generation X

Deliverables: You are expected to submit two files in Blackboard:

- (i) [Lab7_Lastname.doc](#)--- containing the algorithm /pseudocode of your program, and
- (ii) [Lab7_Lastname.java](#) --- the java file of your program.

Grading Criteria:

- [10 points] Algorithm.
 - Sequential, executable, finite, and correct.
- [87 points] Java program that is similar to the algorithm.
 - [10 pts] Program compiles and runs.
 - [30 pts] The program uses methods, file reader, conditional statements, and loops.
 - [10 pts] Correct types for each variable, correct naming conventions, and variables should

- have meaningful variable names.
 - [25 pts] The program has correct logic and generates correct output.
 - [5 pts] The program is indented properly.
 - [5 pts] The program uses meaningful variable names.
 - [2 pts] The program has proper documentation.
- [3 points] The deliverables follow the proper name Lab7_LastName
 - Late submission: [-10] points for every 24 hours after the deadline.

If you need any clarification, please ask your TA for further details.