

# Assignment 2: Coding Basics

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## OVERVIEW

This exercise accompanies the lessons in Environmental Data Analytics on coding basics.

## Directions

1. Rename this file <FirstLast>\_A02\_CodingBasics.Rmd (replacing <FirstLast> with your first and last name).
2. Change “Student Name” on line 3 (above) with your name.
3. Work through the steps, **creating code and output** that fulfill each instruction.
4. Be sure to **answer the questions** in this assignment document.
5. When you have completed the assignment, **Knit** the text and code into a single PDF file.
6. After Knitting, submit the completed exercise (PDF file) to Sakai.

## Basics, Part 1

1. Generate a sequence of numbers from one to 30, increasing by threes. Assign this sequence a name.
2. Compute the mean and median of this sequence.
3. Ask R to determine whether the mean is greater than the median.
4. Insert comments in your code to describe what you are doing.

```
#1. Creating a sequence to from 0 to 30 increasing by increments of 3  
seq(0,30, by = 3 )
```

```
## [1] 0 3 6 9 12 15 18 21 24 27 30
```

```
#2. Taking created sequence and finding mean and median  
mean(seq(0,30, by = 3 ))
```

```
## [1] 15
```

```
(median(seq(0,30, by = 3 )))
```

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## [1] 15
```

```
#3. Find out if the mean is greater than the median  
(mean(seq(0,30, by = 3 ))) > (median(seq(0,30, by = 3 )))
```

```
## [1] FALSE
```

## Basics, Part 2

5. Create a series of vectors, each with four components, consisting of (a) names of students, (b) test scores out of a total 100 points, and (c) whether or not they have passed the test (TRUE or FALSE) with a passing grade of 50.

Test scores out of a total 100 points

6. Label each vector with a comment on what type of vector it is.
7. Combine each of the vectors into a data frame. Assign the data frame an informative name.
8. Label the columns of your data frame with informative titles.

```
#5
a <- c("Vinny", "Chris", "Prince", "Jamila") # names of all students
b <- c(69, 38, 93, 72) # test score of each student
c <- c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE) #whether they passed each test with passing being 50 points

data.frame("Name_of_student"= c(a),
           "test_scores"= c(b),
           "pass_or_fail"= c(c))
```

```
##   Name_of_student test_scores pass_or_fail
## 1      Vinny      69      TRUE
## 2      Chris      38     FALSE
## 3     Prince      93      TRUE
## 4     Jamila      72      TRUE
```

9. QUESTION: How is this data frame different from a matrix?

Answer: With a data frame you are able to diffrent classes of data vs just the one

10. Create a function with an if/else statement. Your function should take a **vector** of test scores and print (not return) whether a given test score is a passing grade of 50 or above (TRUE or FALSE). You will need to choose either the **if** and **else** statements or the **ifelse** statement.
11. Apply your function to the vector with test scores that you created in number 5.

```
f <- 28

print(if ( f > 50) {
  p_or_f <- "pass"
} else {
  p_or_f <- "fail"
})
```

```
## [1] "fail"
```

12. QUESTION: Which option of **if** and **else** vs. **ifelse** worked? Why?

Answer: If and Else is what worked, mostly likely due to the syntax of the code.