The Guess-My-Number Game [1]

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In this game, you pick a number from 1 to 100, and the computer has to guess it.

Outline

⟨*src/guess.lisp* 1⟩≡
  ⟨*(Re)set the global state* 2⟩

  ⟨*Define the* `guess-my-number` *function* 3⟩

  ⟨*Define the* `smaller` *function* 6⟩

  ⟨*Define the* `bigger` *function* 9⟩

  ⟨*Define the* `start-over` *function* 12⟩
Root chunk (not used in this document).

Defining the Small and Big Variables

Use earmuffs.

⟨*(Re)set the global state* 2⟩≡
```
(defparameter *small* 1)
(defparameter *big* 100)
```
This code is used in chunks 1 and 12.

Defining the Guess-My-Number Function

⟨*Define the* `guess-my-number` *function* 3⟩≡
```
(defun guess-my-number ()
  ⟨Halve the sum of the limits and shorten the result 4⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 1.

⟨*Halve the sum of the limits and shorten the result* 4⟩≡
```
(ash (+ *small* *big*) -1)
```
This code is used in chunk 3.

⟨*Have the computer guess a number* 5⟩≡
```
(guess-my-number)
```
This code is used in chunks 6, 8, 9, 11, and 12.

Defining the Smaller and Bigger Functions

⟨*Define the* `smaller` *function* 6⟩≡
```
(defun smaller ()
  ⟨Set *big* to one less than the last guess 7⟩
  ⟨Have the computer guess a number 5⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 1.

⟨*Set *big* to one less than the last guess* 7⟩≡
```
(setf *big* ⟨Subtract one from the most recent guess 8⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 6.

⟨*Subtract one from the most recent guess* 8⟩≡
```
(1- ⟨Have the computer guess a number 5⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 7.

⟨*Define the* `bigger` *function* 9⟩≡
```
(defun bigger ()
  ⟨Set *small* to one greater than the last guess 10⟩
  ⟨Have the computer guess a number 5⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 1.

⟨*Set *small* to one greater than the last guess* 10⟩≡
```
(setq *small* ⟨Add one to the most recent guess 11⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 9.

⟨*Add one to the most recent guess* 11⟩≡
```
(1+ ⟨Have the computer guess a number 5⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 10.

Defining the Start-Over Function

⟨*Define the* `start-over` *function* 12⟩≡
```
(defun start-over ()
  ⟨(Re)set the global state 2⟩
  ⟨Have the computer guess a number 5⟩)
```
This code is used in chunk 1.

Example Session

```
$ rlwrap sbcl --load src/guess.lisp

> (start-over)
50
> (smaller)
25
> (bigger)
37
> (bigger)
43
> (smaller)
40
> (bigger)
41
> (bigger)
42
```

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