

Software  
Development

Pseudocode

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## Task 1

Students are graded out of 10 for assignments.

A+	10
A	9
B+	8
B	7
C+	6
C	5
D+	4
D	3
E+	2
E	1
Fail	0

This is the current pseudocode being used:

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IF student's grade is equal to 10  
  PRINT "passed"  
ELSE  
  PRINT "failed"
```

1. What are the main problems with the pseudocode?

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2. Re-write the pseudocode to show the marking structure above:  
(Hint: If you run out of space, you can use the back of the sheet.)

## Task 2

READ *length*, *width*

$area \leftarrow length * width$

PRINT *area*

1. What data type is *length*? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What data type is *width*? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What does the  $\leftarrow$  mean? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What data does the variable *area* store?

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5. What does the last line of pseudocode do?

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6. Re-write the pseudocode to find the dimensions of the perimeter of the rectangle.

## Task 3

Martin wants to be able to type in the length of a square's side, but if he types in a negative number, he must receive an error message.

**Write the pseudocode below:**

Martin now wants the program to print the square's area and perimeter.

**What pseudocode will you include into your program? Re-write the pseudocode below.**

## Task 4

Gareth wants to input three numbers using these variables:  $n1$ ,  $n2$  and  $n3$ . He wants the program to check if the three numbers are equal or not, it will display either of these messages: "All 3 are equal", or "not all equal".

**Write the pseudocode below:**

Gareth now wants the code to be extended and include a print out of which of the largest number of the three that have been typed in.

## Task 5

```
SET total to zero
SET grade to one
WHILE grade counter is less than or equal to ten
    INPUT the next grade
    ADD the grade into the total
PRINT total
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1. Explain what the pseudocode does:

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2. Mark in **red** the variables in the pseudocode
3. What are the words in CAPITALS called? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What happens if the grade counter is greater than 10? Explain.

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5. What can be done to solve this problem?

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## Task 6

Write the pseudocode for displaying the numbers 1 to 10 inclusive, try to use a while loop:

Write the pseudocode to display the numbers 2 to 20 inclusive, using a for loop:



## Task 8

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count ← 1
WHILE count is less than or equal to 30
    IF count is less than or equal to 10
        PRINT "less than 10."
    ELSE IF count is less than or equal to 20
        PRINT "less than 20."
    ELSE IF count is less than or equal to 30
        PRINT "less than 30."
    ELSE
        PRINT count
Add one to count
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1. What data type is count ? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What does the ← mean? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Why do you think count is set to 1? What difference does this make in the code?

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4. What is the purpose of a while loop?

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## Task 9

Using a for loop, input 10 numbers and print their total.

**Write the pseudocode below:**

Using the pseudocode you wrote above, re-write it to include that if any numbers above 100 are entered, they are ignored and should not be totalled.

Using the pseudocode above, re-write it and add an error message if any numbers are input above 100.

## Task 10

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PRINT Starting Loop
FOR number in 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
    IF number == 2
        PRINT the number is 2
    PRINT numbers printed
PRINT End of loop
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1. What does the for loop do?

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2. What are the numbers in the second line used for?

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3. What does the IF statement do?

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4. Explain what the PRINT statements do.

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Statement 2:

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Statement 3:

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Statement 4:

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## Task 16

Write pseudocode to print an input temperature. The program should check the input data and print a message to say whether it is freezing or boiling. If an inappropriate number or character is input it displays an error message. The pseudocode must use all appropriate techniques, symbols and structures.

## Task 17

Farmer Jo has just purchased a Skwerter 2000, a machine that sprays pesticide on the backs of sheep. Farmer Jo has loaded his 200 sheep into the Skwerter 2000. He is uncertain how many white or black sheep he has in his flock. Farmer Jo also needs to spray each sheep once, white sheep with pink spray, black sheep with blue spray. The blue spray squirts 13 sheep, the pink sprays 18. The Skwerter 2000 will automatically count each sheep as it is squirted.

How many sheep of each colour are there in the flock? How many sheep were squirted with pink or blue spray? Hint: use random.