

Question 1:

What does the following script display as standard output?
(if you do not recall the precise format of the output of any specific
command, that's OK; just make up something with the appropriate flavor.)
(the following program runs without error)

```
rm -f cat 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
echo 1 2 3 4 > cat  
echo 2 > 6  
for cat in `cat cat`  
do  
    dog=`expr $cat + $cat`  
    echo $dog | cat  
    if test -r $dog  
    then  
        break  
    fi  
done
```

Filesystem:

↳ removes any files named '1', '2', '3' etc

↳ creates (or over-writes) file named 'cat', new contents are '1 2 3 4'

↳ creates a file named '6' contents are '2'

Loops over output of command

'cat cat' = 1 2 3 4. Each loop iteration variable 'cat' takes one of these values.

Iter 1: • dog='expr 1 + 1' → dog = 2

• echo \$dog | cat → prints 2

• if → checks if file '2' is readable. It is not.

Iter 2: prints 4

Iter 3: prints 6 and breaks the loop because file '6' does exist.

Final Answer: 2
4
6

Question 2:

Part a) Define in 1-2 sentences the concept of "super user" (also known as root).

The super user has complete permissions to write/read/execute any file and to perform administrative tasks such as creating new users and changing file ownership.

Part b) Define in 1-2 sentences the concept of a "pipe" in Unix.

A pipe directs the output of command A to the input of command B (when run as $A | B$) using a virtual file.

Question 3:

- # Explain each of the following lines and what it does when they are run in order.
- # List the line (a,b,c,d) in your answers.
- # Be as precise and specific as you can be.
- # (if you do not recall the precise format of the output of any specific
- # command, that's OK; just make up something with the appropriate flavor.)

- a) `ALPHA='`date`'`
- b) `rm *[ALPHA]*`
- c) `yes yes | head -20 > ALPHA`
- d) `wc ALPHA | tail -1`

a) Single quotes cause back-ticks to be interpreted literally. ALPHA holds `date`, not a string like "Tue Oct 20..."

b) Removes any file with an A or L or P or H in its filename.

c) Creates or over-writes file named "ALPHA" with contents 20 lines all "yes"

d) `wc ALPHA` outputs "20 20 80 ALPHA",
`tail -1` does nothing here.

Question 4:

In the C language, what value does the variable x take on?

```
main() {  
    int x;  
    int y;  
    y = 'a' - 'b';  
    x = y++ * 2;  
}
```

as int: 97
as int: 98

Values not crucial,
but know that
each letter is
one larger than
previous → y
holds -1

- y is incremented AFTER being used

$$x = -1 * 2 = \boxed{-2}$$

Question 5:

Circle and number at least 3 different bugs/errors in either logic or syntax in the following code fragment.
Provide a written explanation for each one below.

```
① FILE f;  
char *name="test.dat";  
char *name2="test2.dat";  
char a=getchar(); // User enters F or S to specify file  
② char *buffer;  
if ( ③ a == "F" ) {  
    ④ f=fopen(name);  
    ⑤ } else f=fopen(name2);  
    fgets( ⑥ buffer, 1024, f);
```

- ① Must be FILE *f;
- ② Should be ==
- ③ Should be 'F'
- ④ and ⑤ Missing open code such as "r"
- ⑥ buffer does not point to valid memory, might seg fault

Question 6:

What does this C program print on the terminal?

```
#include <stdio.h>

void muddle( char string[] ){
    string[0] = 'M' + 1;
    string[1] = string[1];
    string[2] = string[1];
    char temp = string[4];
    string[4] = string[5];
    string[5] = temp;
}

int main()
{
    char string[10] = "goedel";
    muddle( string );
    printf("%s\n", string );
}
```

0 1 2 3 4 5
g o e d e l
N o o
l e

- muddle can modify the contents of string because char[10] array type is equivalent to pointer here.
(it could not change the address held by variable "string" in main(), but don't be confused by this).
- muddle changes characters one at a time to form Noodle