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## Assignment 5 (Due date: 11/19/2008/Wednesday, in class)

Your name:	Date:

Provide brief answers to the following questions (you may check the textbook Section Questions & Exercises for solutions to some of the questions in the **Chapters 5 (Algorithms) & 6** (**Programming Languages**), read the textbook and lecture slides for other questions):

- 1. Give a brief definition of algorithm. Summarize the distinctions between a process, an algorithm, and a program.
- 2. In what sense do the steps described by the following list of instructions fail to constitute an algorithm?
  - 1) Step 1. Take a coin out of your pocket and put it on the table.
  - 2) Step 2. Return to Step 1.
- 3. In what sense is the construction of procedures the construction of primitives?
- 4. The Euclidean algorithm finds the greatest common divisor of two positive integers X and Y by the following process:

As long as the value of neither X nor Y is zero, continue dividing the larger of the values by the smaller and assigning X and Y the values of the divisor and remainder, respectively. (The final value of X is the greatest common divisor.)

Express this algorithm in pseudocode like that in the textbook.

5. Convert the pseudo code routine

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Z \leftarrow 0;

X \leftarrow 1;

While (x < 6) do (Z \leftarrow Z + X;

X \leftarrow X + 1)
```

to an equivalent routine using a repeat statement.

- 6. What is the difference between a formal programming language and a pseudocode?
- 7. Identify the termination condition in the following iterative statements:

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    while (Count < 5) and (Total < 56) do ( )</li>
    repeat ( ) until (Count = 1)
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8. Identify the body of the following loop structure and count the number of times it will be executed.

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Count ←1;
while (Count not 7) do
(print the value assigned to Count and
Count ←Count + 3)
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9. What is the difference between an assembler and a compiler?

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- 10. Why is the use of a constant considered better programming style than the use of a literal?
- 11. List some common data types and describe how to use them for representing personal information such as ages, height, name...?
- 12. Identify some common control structures found in imperative and object-oriented programming languages.
- 13. What is the difference between a global variable and a local variable?
- 14. What is the difference between a procedure and a function?
- 15. When writing in modern programming languages, programmers tend to use verbs for names of procedures and nouns for names of functions. Why?
- 16. Draw the parse tree for the expression: x \* y + x + z. (\* is multiplication operator).
- 17. What is the difference between an object and a class?
- 18. Suppose the classes PartTimeEmployee and FullTimeEmployee inherited the properties of the class Employee. What are some features that you might expect to find in each class?
- 19. Which of the statements R, S, T, U and V are logical consequences of the collection of statements (~R OR T OR S), (~S OR V), (~V OR R), (U OR ~S), (T OR U), and (S OR V)? (~ means NOT operation).
- 20. Figure 6.2 (available from slides for the Chapter 6) provides a diagram that describes the evolution of programming paradigms. Put each of the programming languages in that diagram in the following table:

	Functional	Object-oriented	Imperative	Declarative
1950				
1960				
1970				
1980				
1990				
2000				

- 21. Translate the following for statement into an equivalent program segment using the while statement in our pseudocode: for (int x = 2; x < 8; ++x) {.....}
- 22. Summarize the distinction between a machine language and an assembly language.
- 23. Summarize the distinction between declarative statements and imperative statements. ============Important Notes========
  - Homework can be hand-written or typewritten.
  - Put all your solutions in the same order as the above questions.
  - Use this question paper as **cover page and staple them together**.