

Pseudo code assignments / examples

1.

Problem: Accept Grades from a Keyboard. When a negative grade comes the loop will stop. Calculate the average grade of the whole class.

Solution: The algorithm needs a LOOP. Since we don't know how often the loop will run beforehand (we don't know how many grades will be entered) we can not use the FOR-loop. WHILE or REPEAT-loop are fine.

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Initialise: Grade = 0, Total-Grades = 0, Counter = 0
REPEAT
    READ Grade                                (this is the input!)
    ADD Grade to Total-Grade
    ADD 1 to Counter    (need to count how many grades are entered!)
UNTIL  Grade < 0      (so go on until a grade is negative)
Average-Grade = Total-Grade / Counter
WRITE "Average grade is" Average-Grade      (this is the output!)
```

Here you can see the solution with a WHILE-loop. Remember: the WHILE-loop checks the ending condition of the loop **as** it starts.

```
Initialise: Grade = 0, Total-Grades = 0, Counter = 0
WHILE Grade >= 0
    ADD 1 to Counter    (need to count how many grades are entered!)
    READ Grade          (this is the input!)
    ADD Grade to Total-Grade
ENDWHILE
Average-Grade = Total-Grade / Counter
WRITE "Average grade is" Average-Grade      (this is the output!)
```

2.

Problem: Little game: Accept numbers thrown with 2 dice. Output the number of throws needed for a person to achieve a double SIX . (So: repeat throwing until you have a total of 12)

Solution: The algorithm needs a LOOP. Again we don't know how often , so we cannot use a FOR-loop. WHILE or REPEAT are both fine.

Here you can see the solution with a WHILE-loop. Remember: the WHILE-loop checks the ending condition of the loop **as (before)** it starts

```
Initialise: Counter = 0    (a variable, used to 'count' the number of throws)
           Total-of-Dice = 0
WHILE Total-of-Dice < 12    (if it is 12, it's a double 6 and we stop)
    ADD 1 to Counter    (need to count how many grades are entered!)
    READ Dice-1 , READ Dice-2    (this is the input!)
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    Total-of-Dice = Dice-1 + Dice-2
ENDWHILE
WRITE "The number of throws is " Counter      (this is the output!)

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Now you can see the solution with a REPEAT-loop. Remember: the REPEAT-loop checks the ending condition of the loop **after** it runs the first time.

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Initialise:   Counter = 0      (used to 'count' the number of throws)
              Total-of-Dice = 0
REPEAT
  ADD 1 to Counter      (need to count how many grades are entered!)
  READ Dice-1 , READ Dice-2      (this is the input!)
  Total-of-Dice = Dice-1 + Dice-2
UNTIL Total-of-Dice = 12      (if it is 12, it must be a double 6!, stop)
WRITE "The number of throws is " Counter      (this is the output!)

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3.

Problem: You have 5 employees in your **Video shop**. Calculate the salary at the end of the month of each worker (they work 40 hours a week and earn 10 FL an hour). Also calculate the total of the money you have to pay at the end of the month.

Solution: Now you can see a solution with a FOR-loop. That's because we have to do something exactly 5 times! The FOR-loop has a built-in counter, so we don't have to manage that ourselves.

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Initialise: Total-Salary = 0      (a variable, used for the total to pay)
Salary-one-Employee = 40 * 10 (calculate the salary of one worker!)
FOR counter = 1 to 5      (here we make sure that the loop goes 5 times)
  ADD Salary-one-Employee to Total-Salary
END FOR      (here we end the FOR-loop)
WRITE "The total to pay is " Total-Salary (this is the output!)

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4.

Problem: This is to practise the CASE statement: Accept the Number of the Month (from a keyboard). If the number = 1 then output January, if the number = 2 then . . .etc.

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READ   Number-of-Month
CASE   Number-of-Month is :
  1 :   WRITE "It's January"
  2 :   WRITE "It's February"
  3 :   WRITE "It's March"
etc.
END CASE

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