



A Little Review:

What is the Value of wicked, dude?

- ❖ Take out a piece of scratch paper. See if you can answer the questions below.

```
Dim wicked As Integer
Dim dude As Integer
dude = 5
wicked = 2
dude = wicked * 5      [ * means multiply ]
dude = dude + 3
wicked = dude + 1
```

- ❖ Questions:

1. What values do *dude* and *wicked* contain at the end of this code?

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Expressions

Computing is **NOT** Algebra: Even though = is used in assignment statements, it means "becomes". In Algebra it means equality. So, **score = score + 3** is essential to computing, but meaningless in Algebra

- ❖ **CONCEPT:** Expressions are a means of performing the actual computation in a program. They are formulae made from variables and operators, e.g. calculator operations:
+, -, *, /, ^
 - weeks = days / 7 divide value of days by 7
 - totalAfterTax= totalPrice * 1.087 multiply the two values
- ❖ **The Fundamental Rules of Assignment:**
 - The general form of an assignment statement is <variable name> <assignment symbol> <expression>
 - The *flow of information* is always right - to - left
 - The expression is evaluated before the assignment is made
= score = score + 3

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When A Decision Must Be Made:

Conditionals



Computers can be programmed to make decisions – that is, to choose one path to follow from many alternatives. Conditionals are the programming tool that implements this concept

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The Reason to Have Conditionals:

- ❖ **CONCEPT:** computer programs execute all statements in the program in order unless the program is instructed to only execute certain statements under certain conditions
- ❖ For example:
 - If (something is true) Then
 [do this part of the program]
End If

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FIT 100 Operators:

- ❖ CONCEPT: Operators are used to *combine* expressions (logical operators) or to *compare* expressions (relational operators)
 - They are used in combination with values, or variables that contain values – both called operands when using operators- to complete the expression formulae
- ❖ Most programming languages have more logical operators than a pocket calculator
 - Operators like + taking 2 operands are called binary: $a + b$
 - Operators like –taking 1 operand are called unary: $- a$
- ❖ A very useful logical operator is concatenate, & in VB6, which connects two strings or variables together:
 - plural = “dog” & “s”

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FIT 100 Operators

- ❖ CONCEPT: Relational operators are often used in conditional statements to create expressions that evaluate to either “true” or “false”
- ❖ The relational operators in VB6 are:

$a < b$	less than	$a > b$	greater than
$a <= b$	less than or equal to	$a >= b$	greater than or equal to
$a = b$	equal to	$a < > b$	not equal

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FIT 100 Basic Conditional

- ❖ Use conditionals to test to see if a condition holds:
 - If temp < 32 Then
state = “frozen”
form = “ice”
End If
- ❖ General form of basic conditional:
If <T / F expression> Then
 <code statements>
End If
- ❖ What this means:
 - First, the <T / F expression> is evaluated
 - If the outcome is true, then the statements that follow Then are performed
 - If the outcome is false, then the statements that follow Then are skipped

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FIT 100 General Conditional Statement

- ❖ CONCEPT: When one set of statements must be performed for the true conditions and a different set of statements are needed for the false conditions, use the If-Then-Else statement

❖ General form
If <T / F expression> Then
 <code statements>
Else
 <code statements>
End If

```
If sky = "clear" AND temp >70 Then
  clothing = "tank top"
Else
  clothing = "sweats"
End If
```

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"Nested" If-Then-Else

- ❖ CONCEPT: An advantage of the general conditional is that it can be imbedded within another conditional

```

If sky = "clear" AND temp > 70 Then
    clothing = "tank top"
    If laundry = "clean" Then
        clothingColor = "purple"
    End if
Else
    clothing = "sweats"
    If ground = "muddy" Then
        shoes = "boots"
    End if
End If

```



Exercise #1

- ❖ What does this print?

```

Dim x As Integer
x=10
If x=1 Then
    Print "octopus"
Elseif x=2 Then
    Print "squid"
Else
    Print "clam"
End If
Print "mollusk"

```

clam
mollusk

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Let's Move From Theory to Practice!

- ❖ We want to write a program that takes an integer as input and outputs whether or not the integer is a positive number
 - How should we get the user's input?
 - How do we tell if the input is positive or negative?
 - What should we do with an input of zero?
 - How should we output the "positive" or "negative" evaluation to the user?
 - ≡ Be Creative!
 - How do we get started?

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For Monday

- ❖ Read Chapters 13 and 14 of the FIT course pack
- ❖ Reading through Lab 9
- ❖ Project 2, part 1 is due Wednesday
 - You will submit through the web your project, form and executable files
 - The link will be up by Monday on the Project Turn In page

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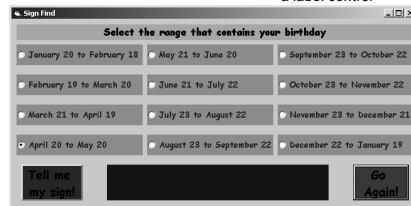
Writing a VB6 Program

Sign Find is preparation for Project 2. You will finish the more complex version called Sign Finder for Lab 9. We will start and debug this program

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FIT 100 Form Set-up (the interface)

- ❖ Components (controls, objects, items) needed for the form
 - Heading text
 - a label control
 - 12 radio buttons
 - each with its own name
 - OK button
 - a command control
 - Clear button
 - a command control
 - Sign display
 - a label control



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FIT 100 Initial Program Code Steps

- ❖ Declare a variable named sign as a string to hold the sign values for each range of dates
- ❖ For each month's click event handler, assign to sign the string value of the the sign for that range
- ❖ For the OK button click event handler
 - Make the label that will display the sign text visible
 - Make the OK button invisible
 - Make the clear button visible
 - Display the value in sign in the caption of the sign display label

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FIT 100 What's Going On in the Program Code

```
Option Explicit
Dim sign As String

Private Sub optCan_Click ()
    sign = "Cancer"
End Sub

Private Sub optCap_Click ()
    sign = "Capricorn"
End Sub

Private Sub optLeo_Click () ...
```

```
Private Sub cmdOK_Click ()
    cmdOk.Visible = False
    cmdClear.Visible = True
    lblSign.Visible = True
    lblSign.Caption = "Your sign is " & Sign
End Sub
```

For the January/February radio button, the assignment here saves the value that is used here

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