

MODULAR COMPUTER LESSON DESIGN

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INTRODUCTION

Many educators, whether in formal, informal, or corporate education, are becoming computer literate and know the rudiments of programming. These persons know the functions of computer commands like LOAD, LIST, RUN, PRINT...etc. What they may not know is how to use these commands to create a lesson, i.e., they have the tools but do not know how to proceed systematically. The authors have seen a number of beginners try to write lessons. They struggle — not because they don't know how to get the computer to respond, but they get bogged down in hundreds of line numbers and lose their place. They may have used flowcharting techniques but like other programmers desire a better way of structuring their programs.

This book provides a simple structure for a computerized lesson. It breaks a large task or lesson down into a number of pieces, each of which can be programmed or coded separately and then pieced together into a whole. It is something like putting a puzzle or a patchwork quilt together.

Chapter one teaches the technique and provides a detailed example to follow. Chapter two provides a number of tricks that can be put into the lessons to make them more professional.

There are a number of commercially available authoring programs on the market such as Genius I, Super Apple Pilot,

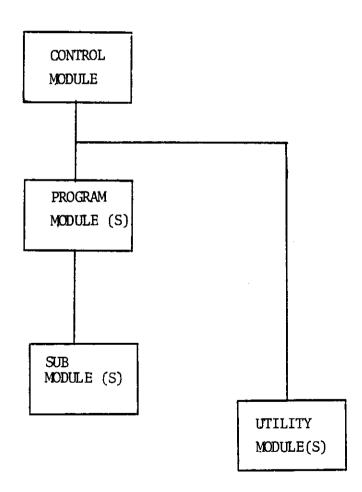
Blocks...etc. All these have their strong points. They also have limitations. This book provides an alternative to those authoring systems which allows the creative teacher and programmer another way of building lessons for the computer using BASIC. Although the text has been written with Applesoft BASIC in mind, the technique taught here is useful no matter what computer or computer language is employed.

CHAPTER ONE

MODULAR COMPUTER LESSON DESIGN

Modular computer lesson design is a systematic way of creating computerized lessons. Its concept is to divide a programming task down into small segments which can be programmed independently and then pieced together to create an educational lesson. It is similar to the cut and paste technique in the graphic arts where bits and pieces of this and that are combined to create a pleasing handout, poster, etc. Each piece (module) of the computerized lesson can stand alone, is programmed separately, and will run independent of the other modules.

Visually, a computerized lesson would be programmed in the following modules:



The components of each of the modules in the model might include:

1. Control module:

- a. documentation (what the program does)
- b. open any files needed
- c. initialize any variables used
- d. dimension any arrays used
- e. menu
- f. GOSUB statements for the various menu choices
- g. END statement
- 2. Program modules (are designated as subroutines in the program).
 - a. actual lesson content
 - b. both text and graphics used only once in the program (graphics or text used over and over should be in the utility module)
- 3. Sub-modules (are subroutines)
 - a. sub-sections of lesson content if it is desirable to break the module down into smaller pieces.
- 4. Utility modules (are subroutines)
 - a. title graphic
 - b. graphics called more than once
 - c. sound routines called more than once
 - d. sorts
 - e. time delays
 - f. forward or backward paging
 - g. keyboard input controls
 - h. error trapping

STEP ONE

The first step of modular computer lesson design is to define the lesson problem. Here, the steps of instructional design should be taken into account. This includes an analysis of the intended audience, the objectives of the lesson, the content to be covered, and the strategy that will be employed. The computerized lesson can be independent of other learning materials or it can be one component in a multi-media unit of instruction.

SAMPLE LESSON PROBLEM DEVELOPMENT

Title of sample lesson: Apple Demo

<u>Audience</u>: a student who has mastered the fundamental commands of a programming language and is ready to use those skills to write computerized tutorials.

Objectives:

- 1. The student will be able to use the sample lesson as a model to follow in the construction of a computerized lesson.
- 2. The program used in the example will be simple enough that students will be able to follow through the various modules without becoming confused.
- 3. Enough programming techniques will be demonstrated in the sample lesson so that students can copy, select, add to, and delete ideas as they program their own lessons.
- 4. A secondary objective is to create a lesson which demonstrates some of the features of the Apple computer.

STEP TWO

The next step in modular design is to break down the main problem into smaller problems. Each of the features of the desired program should be listed. The features are then studied and prioritized according to any constraints that might be present.

SAMPLE LESSON DETAILED FEATURES

Programming features to demonstrate:

- 1. use of a menu*
- 2. use of subroutines*
- 3. documentation within a program*
- 4. control of input from the keyboard*
- 5. control of program flow*
- 6. communication with the user*
- 7. testing responses from the user*
- 8. handling errors*

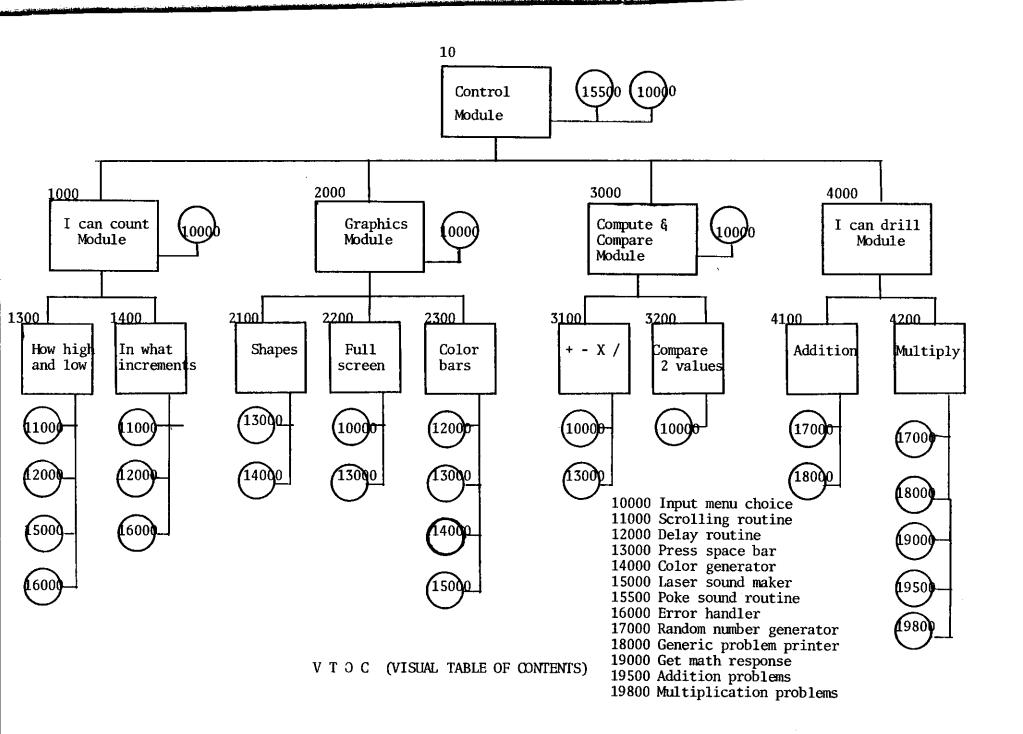
Apple features to demonstrate in the lesson:

- 1. computers can count*
- 2. computers can compute and compare*
- 3. computers can do graphics*
- 4. computers can create sound
- 5. tutorial type computer lessons*
- 6. simulation type computer lessons
- 7. gaming type computer lessons
- 8. drill type computer lessons*
- 9. management of computer lessons

STEP THREE

The next step is to create a VTOC (visual table of contents) of our lesson features. This will be comparable to creating a table of contents for a book which will list module titles (chapter titles) and will give beginning program line numbers of each module (page numbers for the chapters). Line numbers should be added only if they can be easily forecast in advance. Sub-parts of modules (parts of a book chapter) are drawn underneath main modules. Any subroutines referenced by the module are also listed under that module.

^{*}features chosen for final product



The VTOC on the previous page lists every subroutine that is called by the program. At the planning stage, the programmer can't forcast every detail of the program so the VTOC may only include the major sections. As thinking and planning progess, the VTOC will become more detailed. At some point, the VTOC will be a complete table of contents to the program like the example above.

STEP FOUR.

The actual programming task is now ready to begin. Each module on the VTOC should be programmed or coded separately. The programmer begins at the top - or the control module and continues in order until the last module is completed. This is called top-down programming.

Each module is an independent piece of the program and can be written and tested before going on to the next module. This can be done by just typing in RUN_starting line # of the module, or GOSUB_starting line # of the subroutine. It is important to find and clean up problems early in the program rather than having them stack up. Psychologically, this helps create many small successes rather than a mountainous number of problems to tackle all at one time.

One nice thing about programming in modules is that several persons can be assigned various modules of the program to write. Some of the modules may already be be available from other programs that have been written or can be borrowed from other programmers. The idea here is to keep a library of utilities and other useful programs handy that can be pulled into any lesson being written. This could be called a cut and paste methodology - get the modules you need anywhere you can get them and put them together.

The Apple System Master has a very useful utility entitled RENUMBER. Using this program, it is very easy to merge a number of programs together into a single program with one sequence of line numbers. If the two programs to be merged have duplicate line numbers, the RENUMBER program can supply a new sequence of line numbers so that the two programs can merge easily.

If you have a library of usefuly programs or utilities handy, it is very important that each of these have clear titles and descriptions of exactly what they do. A good catalog of what you have is very important!

Be sure to keep the VTOC - even after the program is written. It will always be useful as a key to that program.

In the following pages, the actual program "Apple Demo" is printed out. The program is listed on the left of the page and comments have been added in the right hand column to help the reader follow the logic.

```
10
    REM
         APPLE DEMO
20
    REM
         BY MIKE ROPER
30
         C. 1982
    REM
35
    REM **********
                                               The control module begins.
    REM *CONTROL MODULE*
40
    REM *********
45
                            STORE BEEP
50 BEEP$ =
            CHR$ (7): REM
     GOSUB 15500: REM
100
                        POKE SOUND
                                               l.110-135 initialize questions
110
     FOR I = 0 TO 3: READ ADD$(I): NEXT I
                                               and answer variable for the
120
     FOR I = 0 TO 3: READ AANS$(I): NEXT I
                                               drill module.
130
     FOR I = 0 TO 3: READ MULT$(I): NEXT I
135
     FOR I = 0 TO 3: READ MANS$(I): NEXT I
325
     REM
490
     REM
500
     REM
          ** MAIN MENU **
          *****
505
     REM
510
     REM
     HOME: VTAB 8: HTAB 5
550
560
     PRINT "--- MAIN MENU ----"
                                                     main menu is presented.
     PRINT : PRINT "
                        1. I CAN COUNT
570
                        2. I CAN DO GRAPHICS"
580
     PRINT
           : PRINT "
           : PRINT
                        3. I CAN COMPUTE AND COMPARE"
590
     PRINT
                        4. I CAN DRILL"
600
     PRINT : PRINT
     PRINT : PRINT "
                        5. END"
610
630
     GOSUB 10000: REM
                        GET ANSWER
     ON ANS GOSUB 1000,2000,3000,4000
640
     IF ANS < > 5 THEN 550
650
                                               End statement comes at the end
660
     END
                                               of the control module.
```

Note that remark statements placed on l. 100 and 620 clarify what will happen at that point in the program.

Note that the menu allows the student to get out of the program. This is a very important characteristic that should be included in almost all computerized lessons.

```
989
    REM
990
    REM
          ******
      REM * I CAN COUNT MODULE *
1000
      REM ************
1005
      REM
1008
1010 \text{ TIME} = 20
1050
     REM
     HOME: VTAB 10
1100
      PRINT "----
                     MENU
1200
1210
      PRINT : PRINT
                                                Note that a sub-menu has
      PRINT : PRINT "1. HOW HIGH AND LOW"
1220
                                                been created and that
      PRINT: PRINT "2. IN WHAT INCREMENTS"
1230
                                                an exit to the main menu
     PRINT: PRINT "3. RETURN TO MAIN MENU"
1240
                                                has been provided.
     GOSUB 10000
1250
1255
      IF ANS = 3 THEN RETURN
1260
      ON ANS GOSUB 1300,1400,1500
1270
      GOTO 1100
1290
      REM
           *HOW HIGH & LOW SUB MODULE*
1292
      REM
           *******
1294
      REM
1300
     HOME: VTAB 10
      PRINT "I CAN COUNT FROM :": PRINT : PRINT
1310
      PRINT " ONE MILLION BELOW ZERO": PRINT
1315
      PRINT "TO ONE MILLION ABOVE ZERO": PRINT
1318
      PRINT: PRINT "WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO COUNT FOR YOU?"
1320
      PRINT : INPUT "(Y OR N)"; ANS$
1321
          LEFT$ (ANS\$,1) = "Y" THEN 1380
1330
      HOME : GR : TEXT : GOSUB 15000
1340
1341
      FOR I = 1 TO 50: NEXT I
      HOME: VTAB 10: HTAB 5
1345
      PRINT "OK, BUT I REALLY DID WANT TO...."
1346
      GOSUB 11000: HOME : GOTO 1100
1350
      HOME : PRINT "SO YOU WON'T BE HERE ALL DAY WAITING"
1380
      PRINT : PRINT "FOR ME TO COUNT, KEEP THE NUMBERS SMALL"
1381
      PRINT : PRINT "FOR EXAMPLE, FROM 1000 TO 5000"
1382
1383
      PRINT : PRINT
      INPUT "WHERE SHOULD I START COUNTING ?"; BEG
1385
      PRINT : PRINT
1386
      INPUT "WHERE SHOULD I STOP COUNTING?";QUIT
1388
      FOR I = BEG TO QUIT
1390
1392
      ONERR GOTO 16000
1393
      GOSUB 12000
1395
      PRINT I; ";
1397
      NEXT I
      GOSUB 11000: HOME : GOTO 1100
1398
```

The ON command on line 1260 is a very easy way to skip to various sub-modules.

```
******
1399
     REM
          * INCREMENT S-MODULE *
1400
     REM
          ******
1405
     REM
     HOME: VTAB 5
1410
     PRINT "I CAN COUNT BY ANY INCREMENT YOU LIKE.": PRINT
1415
     PRINT "I CAN COUNT FORWARD OR BACKWARD"
1420
     PRINT : PRINT "(TO MAKE ME PRINT BACKWARD, ENTER": PRINT : PRINT "A
1430
     NEGATIVE NUMBER FOR THE INCREMENT) "
      VTAB 15: INPUT "BY WHAT INCREMENT SHOULD I COUNT ?"; J: PRINT
1435
     PRINT: INPUT "WHERE SHOULD I START COUNTING ?"; BEG: PRINT
1440
      PRINT: INPUT "WHERE SHOULD I STOP COUNTING ?";QUIT
1450
1465
     HOME
      FOR I = BEG TO QUIT STEP J
1470
      ONERR GOTO 16000
1475
      PRINT I;" ";
1480
1485
      GOSUB 12000
1490
      NEXT I
      GOSUB 11000: GOTO 1100
1495
      RETURN
1500
1600
      REM
      GOSUB 12000: HOME : NEXT J
1845
          *****
1990
      REM
           * GRAPHICS MODULE *
2000
      REM
           *****
2005
      REM
2010
      REM
      TEXT: HOME: VTAB 10: HTAB 10
2050
      PRINT "-- I CAN DO GRAPHICS --"
2060
      PRINT : PRINT "
                       1.SHAPES"
2070
                       2.FULL SCREEN ONE COLOR"
      PRINT : PRINT "
2075
                       3.BARS OF DIFFERENT COLOR"
      PRINT : PRINT "
2080
      PRINT : PRINT "
                       4.RETURN TO MAIN MENU"
2090
      GOSUB 10000
2092
      IF ANS = 4 THEN
                       RETURN
2093
      ON ANS GOSUB 2100,2200,2300
2094
2096
      GOTO 2050
```

The VTAB and HTAB commands help position the menus and the text on the screen.

The variables are named so that they are indicative of their function.

Sometimes, REM is used just to create a space in the programming itself to set off sections of the program.

```
2098
     REM
2100
     REM
           * SHAPES SUB-MODULE *
     REM
           ******
2101
     FOR N = 1 TO 5
2102
     HOME : GR
2103
     GOSUB 14000
2105
2107 I = 29:J = 29
2109 FOR K = 4 TO 11
     HLIN I, J AT K
2111
2113 I = I - 1:J = J + 1
     NEXT K
2115
     GOSUB 14000
2118
     FOR I = 1 TO 10
2120
     HLIN 1,5 AT I
2125
     NEXT I
2130
     FOR I = 1 TO 10
2135
     VLIN 1,5 AT I
2140
     NEXT I
2145
2147
      GOSUB 14000
     FOR I = 13 TO 18
2150
2155
     VLIN 0,8 AT I
     NEXT I
2160
2165
     REM
2170
     GOSUB 14000
      FOR I = 10 TO 20
2175
     HLIN 10,20 AT I
2180
      NEXT I
2185
2187
      GOSUB 14000
      FOR I = 21 TO 23
2190
2195
     HLIN 0,39 AT I
      NEXT I
2196
      GOSUB 13000: NEXT N
2197
2198
     RETURN
```

Note that variables are used to set the drawing positions of the horizontal and verticle lines. This cuts down on the number of programming lines that must be written and entered into the computer.

```
2199
      REM
2200
      REM * FULL SCREEN COLOR *
2210
            *******
      REM
2215
      REM
2250
      HOME: VTAB 3
      PRINT "HERE ARE THE COLORS : ": PRINT : PRINT
2255
      PRINT "1. MAGENTA", "8. BROWN": PRINT
2260
      PRINT "2. DARK BLUE", "9. ORANGE": PRINT
2265
      PRINT "3. PURPLE", "10 GRAY": PRINT
2270
      PRINT "4. DARK GREEN", "11. PINK": PRINT
2275
      PRINT "5. GRAY 1", "12. LIGHT GREEN": PRINT PRINT "6. MED. BLUE", "13. YELLOW": PRINT
2280
2285
2290
      PRINT "7. LIGHT BLUE", "14. AQUA": PRINT
2291
      PRINT "","15. WHITE"
2292
      GOSUB 10000
2293
      IF ANS < = 0 OR ANS > 15 THEN
                                        PRINT BEEP$;: GOTO 2292
2294
      HOME : GR : COLOR= ANS
      FOR I = 0 TO 39: FOR J = 0 TO 39
2296
2297
      PLOT I,J
2298
      NEXT J,I
2299
      GOSUB 13000: GOTO 2000
           *****
2300
      REM
2301
      REM
           * COLOR BARS *
           * SUB-MODULE *
2302
      REM
            ******
2303
      REM
2310
      REM
2340 \text{ TIME} = 50
      GR : HOME
2350
2355
      FOR J = 1 TO 3
2356
      GOSUB 15000
2360
      FOR I = 0 TO 39
2370
      GOSUB 14000: REM
                         RND COLOR
2380
      VLIN 0,39 AT I
      NEXT I
2385
2390
      GOSUB 12000: NEXT J
2392
      GOSUB 13000
2395
      RETURN
2400
      RETURN
```

The error trapping that is done on line 2293 is a very important part of any program. If the student pushes any other key than that asked for, the computer knows it and responds with some correctional instructions. Sometimes, the question will be repeated. Other times, the student might be reprimanded.

```
2500
     REM
2995
          *****
     REM
3000
     REM
          * COMPUTE & COMPARE *
                  MODULE
3005
     REM
          *****
3008
     REM
3009
     REM
3010
     HOME: VTAB 10
3015
     PRINT : PRINT "I CAN COMPUTE AND COMPARE...."
     VTAB 14: PRINT "1. ADD, SUB, MULT, DIV"
3020
3025
     PRINT : PRINT "2. COMPARE TWO VALUES"
     PRINT: PRINT "3. RETURN TO MAIN MENU"
3030
     GOSUB 10000
3040
     IF ANS = 3 THEN RETURN
3042
3043
     ON ANS GOSUB 3100,3200
3045
     GOTO 3010
3048
     REM
          *****
3050
     REM
          * ADD SUB MULT DIV *
3100
     REM
3105
     REM
               SUB MODULE
          *******
3108
     REM
3110
     REM
3130
     HOME: VTAB 5
     PRINT "I CAN PERFORM THE FOLLOWING :"
3135
3138
     VTAB 8
     PRINT : PRINT "1. ADD NUMBERS"
3140
     PRINT : PRINT "2. SUBTRACT NUMBERS"
3142
     PRINT : PRINT "3. MULTIPLY NUMBERS"
3145
     PRINT : PRINT "4. DIVIDE NUMBERS"
3147
     PRINT : PRINT "5. CHOOSE ANOTHER SUBJECT"
3148
     GOSUB 10000
3150
                     RETURN
3151
     IF ANS = 5 THEN
     IF ANS > 3 THEN 3172
3152
     HOME : PRINT "HOW MANY NUMBERS DO YOU WANT TO ENTER"
3155
     PRINT : INPUT "(MUST BE 10 OR LESS )"; NN
3158
     IF NN > 10 THEN 3160
```

3161

ADD SUB MULT DIV SUB MODULE, cont.

```
3162
      FOR J = 1 TO NN
3163
      PRINT "ENTER NUMBER ";J
3164
      INPUT NUM(J): NEXT J
3165
      IF ANS = 5 THEN
                         RETURN
3166
      ON ANS GOSUB 3168,3173,3180,3185,3198
3167
      GOTO 3130
      HOME: VTAB 5: FOR J = 1 TO NN
3169 \text{ SUM} = \text{SUM} + \text{NUM}(J): PRINT
                                  SPC(10); NUM(J)
3170<sup>-</sup>
      NEXT J
3171
      PRINT
              SPC( 8); "+": PRINT
                                   SPC( 8); "----"
3172
              SPC( 10); SUM: GOSUB 13000: RETURN
3173
      HOME: VTAB 5:SUM = NUM(1): FOR J = 1 TO NN
3174 \text{ SUM} = \text{SUM} - \text{NUM}(J + 1): PRINT SPC(10); NUM(J)
3175
      NEXT J: PRINT SPC(8); "-"
      PRINT SPC( 8); "----": PRINT
3176
                                            SPC( 10);SUM
3179
      GOSUB 13000: RETURN
3180 SUM = 1: FOR J = 1 TO NN:SUM = SUM * NUM(J)
3181
              SPC( 10); NUM(J): NEXT J
      PRINT
              SPC(8); "X": PRINT SPC(8); "----"
3182
      PRINT
3183
      PRINT
              SPC(10);SUM
3184
      GOSUB 13000: RETURN
      HOME : INPUT "ENTER NUMBER TO BE DIVIDED"; DVND
3185
3186
      PRINT: INPUT "ENTER NUMBER TO DIVIDE BY "; DIVSR
      PRINT : PRINT : PRINT
3187
3188
            TAB( 10); DVND; " / "; DIVSR; " = "; DVND
      PRINT
3189
      GOSUB 13000: RETURN
```

A considerable amount of effort is made in this part of the program to format the screen exactly the way it is wanted.

The SPC command used above is a little bit better than TAB because SPC moves the printing over the number of spaces indicated right after the last thing printed.

```
3198
      REM
3199
      REM
3200
      REM
           * COMPARE TWO VALUES *
3205
      REM
                 SUB MODULE
3208
      REM
3210
      HOME: VTAB 5
      PRINT "I CAN COMPARE: ": PRINT
3215
      HTAB 5: PRINT "1. NUMBERS"
3220
      HTAB 5: PRINT "2. LETTERS"
3225
      HTAB 5: PRINT "3. BOTH NUMBERS AND LETTERS"
3230
      HTAB 5: PRINT "4.CHOOSE ANOTHER OPTION"
3235
      GOSUB 10000
3240
      IF ANS = 4 THEN 3010
3243
3245
      ON ANS GOSUB 3260,3270,3280
3250
      GOTO 3210
3255
      REM
      GOSUB 3400
3260
3268
      RETURN
3270 ITEM$ = "LETTERS"
      GOSUB 3300
3275
3278
      RETURN
3280 ITEM$ = "NUMBERS AND LETTERS"
      GOSUB 3300
3285
3288
      RETURN
```

Line 3245 sends the program to a subroutine nearby which in turn calls another subroutine. Subroutines can call other subroutines.

```
3290
      REM
3295
      REM
3300
      REM
            * ALPHABETIC SORT *
3303
      REM
3305
      REM
3310
      HOME: VTAB 5
      PRINT "OK, LET'S COMPARE "; ITEM$
3320
3325
      PRINT : PRINT "HOW MANY "; ITEM$
      PRINT "DO YOU WANT TO ENTER?"
3326
3327
      INPUT "(MUST BE NO MORE THAN 10 ITEMS)"; NN
3330
      IF NN > 10 THEN 3310
3335
          * INPUT THE ITEMS *
      REM
3338
      REM
3340
      FOR I = 1 TO NN
      PRINT "ENTER ITEM "; I;: INPUT " ? ";OLD$(I)
3345
3350
      NEXT I
3360
      HOME: VTAB 8: HTAB 10
      PRINT "AS ENTERED
3361
                              IN ORDER": HTAB 10
3362
      PRINT -----
3365
      FOR I = 1 TO NN: HTAB 12: PRINT OLD$(I): NEXT I
3370 \text{ START} = 1
3375
      FOR I = 1 TO NN
      FOR K = START TO NN
3380
3383
      IF OLD$(I) < = OLD$(K) THEN 3387
3385 TEMP$ = OLD$(I):OLD$(I) = OLD$(K):OLD$(K) = TEMP$
      NEXT K
3387
3390 \text{ START} = \text{START} + 1
3393
      NEXT I
3395
      VTAB 10: FOR I = 1 TO NN
      HTAB 28: PRINT OLD$(I): NEXT I
3397
      GOSUB 13000: RETURN
3398
```

Note that in line 3327, the student is instructed on the limitations of the response. Clear instructions to the student are necessary.

There are many ways to program an alphabetic sort. The sort here is known as a bubble sort.

```
3399
      REM
3400
      REM
           *****
3405
      REM
           * NUMERIC SORT *
           **********
3410
      REM
3415
      REM
3420
      HOME: VTAB 5
3425
      PRINT "OK, LET'S COMPARE NUMBERS"
3426
      PRINT: PRINT "HOW MANY NUMBERS DO YOU WANT TO ENTER?"
3427
      PRINT: INPUT "(MUST BE LESS THAN 10 ITEMS)":NN
      IF NN > 10 THEN 3420
3430
3435
      FOR I = 1 TO NN: PRINT "ENTER ITEM "; I;: INPUT " ? "; NUM(I)
3438
      NEXT I
3440
      HOME: VTAB 8: HTAB 10
      PRINT "AS ENTERED
3441
                               IN ORDER": HTAB 10
      PRINT "----
3442
3445
      FOR I = 1 TO NN: HTAB 12: PRINT NUM(I): NEXT I
3460 \text{ START} = 1
3470
      FOR I = 1 TO NN
3475
      FOR K = START TO NN
      IF NUM(I) < = NUM(K) THEN 3490
3480
3485 TEMP = NUM(I):NUM(I) = NUM(K):NUM(K) = TEMP
      NEXT K
3490
3495 \text{ START} = \text{START} + 1
      NEXT I
3500
3505
      VTAB 10
3510
      FOR I = 1 TO NN
      HTAB 28: PRINT NUM(I)
3515
3520
      NEXT I
      GOSUB 13000: RETURN
3525
```

```
3989
     REM
3990
     REM
     REM
          * I CAN DRILL MODULE *
4000
          ******
4005
     REM
4015 \text{ TIME} = 1000
4020
     HOME: VTAB 10
     PRINT "I CAN DRILL IN :": PRINT
                                     HTAB 5
4025
     PRINT "1. ADDITION": PRINT : HTAB 5
4026
     PRINT "2. MULTIPLICATION": PRINT : HTAB 5
4027
     PRINT "3. RETURN TO MAIN MENU"
4028
4030
     GOSUB 10000
4035
     IF ANS = 3 THEN
                      RETURN
     ON ANS GOSUB 4100,4200
4038
     GOTO 4020
4040
4045
     REM
          *****
4090
     REM
          * ADDITION DRILL *
4100
     REM
          ******
4105
     REM
     REM
4110
     GOSUB 17000: REM RANDOM NUMBER GENERATOR
4130
4132 PROBLEM$ = ADD$(NUM):ANS$ = AANS$(NUM)
     GOSUB 18000: REM PRINT PROBLEM
4135
4140
     RETURN
4190
     REM
          *****
4195
     REM
          * MULTIPLICATION *
4200
     REM
          *****
4203
     REM
4205
     REM
     GOSUB 17000
4220
4230 PROBLEM$ = MULT$(NUM):ANS$ = MANS$(NUM)
     GOSUB 18000
4240
4250
     RETURN
```

Note that the drills above are coded in very few lines. The GOSUB commands here send the program to a generic problem printer and solver. This way, problem set up and solution, plus the formatting on the screen need only be programmed once.

```
9989
      REM
9990
      REM
10000
            * INPUT MENU CHOICE *
       REM
10003
            ******
       REM
10020
       ONERR
             GOTO 16000
10050
       VTAB 24: HTAB 1: PRINT "ENTER NUMBER FROM MENU";
10070
       GET ANS
10090
       RETURN
10092
       REM
10095
       REM
            *******
11000
       REM
            * SCROLLING ROUTINE *
11010
       REM
            *******
11020
       GOSUB 15000
11050
       FOR J = 1 TO 25
11060
       PRINT
11070
       FOR K = 1 TO 100: NEXT K
11080
       NEXT J
11090
       RETURN
11092
       REM
            **********
11095
       REM
12000
            * DELAY ROUTINE *
      REM
            *****
12005
      REM
                                 The time delay here is generic. It can be
12010
      REM
                                    set for different waiting periods based
12050
       FOR L = 1 TO TIME: NEXT L
                                    on the needs of the lesson at any given
12060
       RETURN
                                    instance.
12065
      REM
            *****
12070
      REM
            * PRESS SPACE BAR *
13000
      REM
            *****
13005
       REM
13010
      REM
13030
      VTAB 22
13050
      PRINT "PRESS SPACE BAR TO CONTINUE";
       GET A$
13060
                                            CHR$ (32) is the ASCII code.
13070
       IF A$ <
               > CHR$ (32) THEN 13060
13090
       RETURN
13095
      REM
```

```
13990
      REM
           *****
14000
           * COLOR GENERATOR *
      REM
           ******
14005
      REM
14010
      REM
                                    a random color number is generated.
14050
      COLOR=
              INT (14 *
                         RND (1))
14060
      RETURN
14065
      REM
           *******
14990
      REM
           * LASER SOUND MAKER *
15000
      REM
           ******
15005
      REM
15060
      & T255,1
      FOR P = 250 TO 50 STEP
15090
15100
      & TP,2
15110
      NEXT P
15120
      FOR P = 50 TO 250 STEP 2
15130
      & TP,2
15140
      NEXT P
15150
      RETURN
      REM *************
15160
15490
      REM *POKE SOUND ROUTINE*
15495
      REM **********
15500
      FOR I = 768 TO 833: READ P: POKE I,P: NEXT I
15510
            201,84,208,15,32,177,0,32,248,230,138,72,32,183,0,201,44,240
      DATA
     ,3,76,201,222,32,177,0,32,248,230
      DATA
15520
            104,134,3,134,1,133,0,170,160,1,132,2,173,48,192,136,208,4,1
    98
            1,240,7,202,208,246,166,0,208,239,165,3,133,1,198,2,208,241,
15530
      DATA
    96
15540
      POKE 1013,76: POKE 1014,0: POKE 1015,3
15550
      RETURN
15565
      REM
15990
      REM
           *****
16000
      REM
           * ERROR HANDLER *
           ******
      REM
16005
16010
      REM
16020 E = PEEK (222)
16050
      IF E = 16 OR E = 163 THEN
                                GOTO 16060
16055
      END
16060
      POKE 216,0: RESUME
```

```
16989
       REM
16990
      REM
            ******
17000
       REM
            * RANDOM NUMBER *
17001
       REM
                GENERATOR
            ******
17003
       REM
17005
       REM
             INT (3 * RND (1))
17010 \text{ NUM} =
17020
      RETURN
17990
       REM
            ******
17995
       REM
18000
       REM
            * GENERIC PROBLEM *
            *
18003
       REM
                  PRINTER
            *****
18005
       REM
18006
       FOR J = 1 TO 3
       HOME: VTAB 5
18007
       PRINT "ANSWER THE FOLLOWING BY ENTERING THE"
18008
       PRINT : PRINT "LETTER OF THE CORRECT RESPONSE"
18009
       VTAB 10
18010
      PRINT PROBLEM$
18020
18030
      GOSUB 19000: REM
                         GET ANSWER
       IF RES$ = ANS$ THEN 18060
18035
       VTAB 18: HTAB 5: PRINT "NO, THAT'S NOT CORRECT..."
18040
18045
       GOSUB 12000
18048
       NEXT J
       VTAB 18: HTAB 1: PRINT SPC( 40): HTAB 1
18049
      PRINT "THE CORRECT ANSWER WAS : "; ANS$
18050
18051 \text{ TIME} = 2000
      GOSUB 12000
18052
18055
      RETURN
18060
       REM
       GOSUB 2300: REM COLOR BARS
18065
       TEXT : HOME : PRINT CRES$(NUM)
18070
18075
      GOSUB 12000: RETURN
```

```
18990
      REM
18995
      REM
19000
      REM
           * GET MATH RESPONSE *
19003
           ******
      REM
19005
      VTAB 22
      VTAB 24: PRINT "ENTER ";: INVERSE : PRINT "LETTER";: NORMAL : PRINT
19010
      OF CORRECT RESPONSE";
19020
      GET RES$
19030
      RETURN
19487
      REM
           *******
19489
      REM
19490
      REM
           * ADDITION PROBLEMS *
           ******
19495
      REM
19500
      DATA 2 + 2 = ?
                         A. 5
                                 C. 6
                                    B. 2
                                             D. 4,4+5=?
                                                               A. 5
     C. 8
         B. 9
                D. 10
19505 DATA 3 + 3 = ?
                               C. 7
                        A. 9
                                   B. 0
                                           D. 6,4+7=?
                                                            A. 11
                                                                    c.
     12
      B. 9
              D. 3
19790
      DATA D,B,D,A
19792
      REM
19794
      REM
           ******
19796
           * MULTICA. PROBLEMS *
      REM
           ******
19798
      REM
19800
      DATA 3 \times 3 = ?
                          A. 16
                                   C. 6
                                                                 В.
                                                                     9
        D. 8,4 \times 4 = ?
                                  C. 15
                          A. 16
                                                                 В.
           9
       D.
19805
      DATA 2 \times 4 = ?
                          A. 6
                                   C. 12
                                                                 B. 8
        D. 10,5 \times 2 = ?
                          A. 8
                                  C. 10
                                                                 B. 5
       D. 11
19990
      DATA
             B,A,B,C
```

Chapter Two

The Bag of Tricks; or, Useful Subroutines

Beginning programmers often see some very useful features of commercial programs that they would like to incorporate into their lesson to make their programs run more smoothly and look more professional. Many of these tricks are not explained very well in some of the common programming reference manuals but are well known to advanced programmers or can be devised by them as needed. The idea for this chapter is to provide a number of common "tricks" that can be used as is or modified to individual lesson needs. Add to this chapter as you see other ideas and figure out how they work. You might also wish to put these short programs on a utility disk and then they are ready to pull in and use at any time for your lesson construction.

HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE

(getting the student to the next section of the lesson)

Necessary command:

10 PRINT "HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE"

20 GET A\$

(any string var. name ok)

Comment:

Any key pressed whether on purpose or accidentally will trigger the program to go to the next part of the lesson. That's its disadvantage.

- 10 HOME
- 20 PRINT 'WHAT IS 2 + 2?"
- 30 VTAB 20
- 40 PRINT "PRESS ANY KEY TO SEE THE ANSWER"
- 50 GET B\$
- 60 HOME
- 70 PRINT "4 IS THE ANSWER"

PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE

(getting to student to the next section of the lesson)

Necessary command:

10 INPUT "PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE"; A\$

(A\$ can be any string var. name)

Comments:

Using the input command here requires the student to press the return key to continue the lesson. The advantage here is that an accidental hit of any key will not trigger the lesson to advance until the return key is pressed.

- 10 HOME
- 20 PRINT 'WHAT IS 2 + 2?"
- 30 VTAB 20
- 40 INPUT "PRESS RETURN TO SEE THE ANSWER"; B\$"
- 50 HOME
- 60 PRINT "4 IS THE ANSWER"

PRESS SPACE BAR TO CONTINUE

(getting the student to the next section of the lesson)

Necessary command:

- 10 PRINT "PRESS SPACE BAR TO CONTINUE"
- 20 GET A\$
- 30 IF A\$ = CHR\$(32) THEN 50
- 40 GOTO 20
- 50 REM REST OF PROGRAM HERE

Comment:

CHR\$(32) is the Ascii code for the space bar. Any specific character on the keyboard may be used by using the Ascii code for that character (see next page for a list of Ascii codes).

- 10 HOME
- 20 PRINT 'WHAT IS 2+2?"
- 30 VTAB 20
- 40 PRINT "PRESS SPACE BAR TO SEE ANSWER"
- 50 GET Z\$
- 60 IF Z\$ = CHR\$(32) THEN 80
- 70 GOTO 50
- 80 HOME
- 90 PRINT "4 IS THE ANSWER"

ASCIT Character Codes							
ASCII Code	Display Screen Character	Keystroke	ASCII Code	Display Screen Character	Keystroke		
0		Ctr1-@	48	O	Ø		
1 2 3 4 5 6		Ctrl-A	49	1	i		
2		Ctrl-B	50	2 3			
3		Ctrl-C	51		2 3		
4		Ctrl-D	52	4	4		
5		Ctrl-E	53	5	5		
6		Ctr1-F	54	6	6		
7	(bell)	Ctr1-G	55	7	7		
8	(backspace)	Ctrl-H or ⇐	56	8	8		
9	4.	Ctrl-I	57	9	9		
10	(linefeed)	Ctrl-J	58	:	:		
11		Ctrl-K	59	;	;		
12		Ctrl-L	60	<	<u> </u>		
13	(carriage return)	Ctrl-M	61	=	=		
14		Ctrl-N	62	>	>		
15	·	Ctrl-0	63	e e	ě		
16	<u> </u>	Ctrl-P	64		•		
17	Ī	Ctrl-Q	65	A	A		
18		Ctrl-R	66	В	В		
19		Ctrl-S	67	C	C		
20	(fa)	Ctrl-T	68	D	D E F		
21 22	(forward space)	Ctrl-U or →	69	E F	E		
23		Ctrl-V	70		[F		
24	(cancel line)	Ctrl-W Ctrl-X	71 72	G	G		
25	(Cancer rine)		73	H I	H		
26		Ctrl-Y Ctrl-Z	73	Ĵ	I J		
27		Esc	75	K K	K		
28		n.a.	76	L L	L		
29		Ctrl-Shift-M	77	M	M		
30	·	Ctrl- ^	78	N	N N		
31		n.a.	79	Ö	Ö		
32	space	space bar	80	P	P		
33	I	I	81				
34	11	11	82	Ř	Ř		
35	#	#	83	Q R S	S		
36	\$	\$	84	T	Q R S T		
37	\$ % &	\$ %	85	U	Ū		
38		§ .	86	V	V		
39	1	*	87	W	W		
40	((88	X	Χ		
41))	89	Y Z C	Y		
42	*	*	90	Z	Z		
43	+	+	91	ζ	n.a.		
44	,	,	92	\	n.a.		
45	-	-	93	; ;	Shift-M		
46	·,	;	94		• 1.		
4/	/	/	95		n.a.		
n.a. = not available on the Apple II keyboard.							

n.a. = not available on the Apple II keyboard.

have a menu and allow student a choice

Necessary command:

10 ON A GOTO line#,line#,line#, etc.

or

10 ON A GOSUB line#,line#,line#,etc.

Comment:

The numbers in your menu (for example, 1,2,3) are used by the computer to select the next line to execute. If you type in a 1, the computer goes to the first line number listed after the GOTO or GOSUB. If you type a 2, the computer goes to the second line number listed after the GOTO or GOSUB. Using this command eliminates a series of IF THEN statements such as: IF A=1 THEN GOSUB 1000: IF A=2 THEN GOSUB 2000...etc.

- 10 HOME
- 20 PRINT "WHICH WOULD YOU LIKE?"
- 30 PRINT "1. PRINT A LIST"
- 40 PRINT "2. PRINT MAILING LABELS"
- 50 PRINT "3. ADD TO THE LIST"
- 60 PRINT "4. DELETE FROM THE LIST"
- 70 PRINT "5. END"
- 80 VTAB 20
- 90 INPUT "PLEASE ENTER THE NUMBER"; A
- 100 ON A GOTO 1000,1500,2000,2500,3000
- 110 GOTO 80
- 1000 PRINT "HERE IS YOUR LIST": GOTO 10
- 1300 PRINT "HERE ARE YOUR MAILING LABELS": GOTO 10
- 2000 PRINT "YOU CAN NOW ADD TO THE LIST": GOTO 10
- 2500 PRINT "YOU CAN NOW DELETE FROM THE LIST": GOTO 10
- 3000 PRINT "THIS IS THE END OF THE PROGRAM"
- 3100 END

Run one program from within another (where you don't want or can't merge the two)

Necessary commands:

10 D\$ = CHR\$ (4) : REM STORE CTRL-D IN D\$ 20 PRINT D\$; 'RUN program name'

Comments:

The "program name" above is the name of the program you wish to run from another program. Both programs must be on the same diskette or it could be on another diskette in drive 2 (then say "RUN program name, D2". Remember, if you are going to run one program from another, the first program will be erased from memory and the second one loaded in. This means that to get back to the first program or another one, the second program must also contain the necessary commands listed above.

All values in the first program are lost when the second program is run. For example, if you asked the student's name in the first program, it would not carry over to the second program nor would it be there when you return to the first program. Another disadvantage is that this process will be slow because each program has loading time.

The advantage of running one program from another is that the two programs might be in different languages or could be too big (too many K) to store as a single program.

Prompt student for response and print error messages for inappropriate response.

Necessary command:

- 10 IMPUT "ENTER ITEM NUMBER"; P
- 20 IF P < 5 and P > 0 THEN 60
- 30 MSG\$ = ''MUST BE 1-5"
- 40 GOSUB 1000: REM ERROR MESSAGE PRINTER
- 50 GO TO 10
- 60 GOSUB 2000: REM CLEAR ERROR MESSAGE LINE
- 70 REM PROGRAM SEGMENTS HERE
- 999 GO TO 10
- 1000 VTAB 20
- 1010 PRINT MSG\$
- 1020 RETURN
- 2000 VTAB 20
- 2010 PRINT SPC(40)
- 2020 RETURN

Comments:

The error message must stay on the screen long enough to be read. If you just printed the message and then cleared the screen, the student would hear the beep but would never see the message! Therefore, we add a subroutine (GOSUB 2000). to clear the error message line after a correct response.

MSGTHERE is simply a variable used to see if an error message is on the screen.

SAMPLE:

- 10 REM USING AN ERROR MESSAGE SUBROUTINE
- 15 NOISE\$ = CHR\$(7) : REM A BEEP STORED IN NOISE\$
- 20 HOME
- 30 VTAB1 : REM KEEP MENU FROM MOVING DOWN SCREEN
- 40 PRINT"
- MENU
- 50 PRINT' (1) GO TO 200" 60 PRINT" (2) TO TO 300:
- 70 PRINT" (3) END"
- 80 PRINT: PRINT" ENTER NUMBER OF ACTION DESIRED"
- 90 GET C
- 100 ON C GO TO 200,300,400 110 MSG\$ = " NUMBER MUST BE 1,2,or3"
- 120 GOSUB 1000
- 130 GO TO 30
- 200 IF MSGTHERE THEN GOSUB 2000
- 210 REM PUT PROGRAM SECTION HERE
- 220 MSG\$ 'MADE IT TO 200''
- 230 GOSUB 1000
- 240 GO TO 30
- 300 IF MSGTHERE THEN GOSUB 2000
- 310 REM PUT PROGRAM SEGMENT HERE

- 320 MSG\$ = 'MADE IT TO 300''
- 330 GOSUB 1000
- 340 GO TO 30
- 400 END
- 1000 PRINT NOISE\$
- 1010 VTAB 20
- 1020 PRINT MSG\$
- 1030 MSGTHERE = 1
- 1040 RETURN
- 2000 VTAB 20
- 2010 PRINT SPC(40)
- 2020 MSGTHERE = 0
- 2030 RETURN

2005 REM

Use of borders around titles or to highlight text

Program: (written in Integer BASIC) BORDERS

```
10 CALL -936
  15 S= 16336
  50 GOSUB 400
 100 PRINT "THIS IS A PROGRAM TO PRINT"
 150 GOSUB 500
 250 PRINT "BORDERS AROUND SIGNIFICANT TEXT:
 300 GOSUB 500
 350 PRINT "THAT YOU MAY WANT TO HIGH LIGHT"
 360 GOTO 700
 370 REM
 375 REM *************
 380 REM ** TAB DOWN AND OVER **
 385 REM *************
 388 REM
 400 VTAB 15: TAB 5: RETURN
 473 REM
 475 REM *************
 480 REM ** ADD SPACE & TAB OVER ****
 485 RFM ****************
 500 PRINT: TAB 5: RETURN
 580 REM
 600 REM ***********
 620 REM ** PRINT STARS ***
 630 REM ***********
 700 REM
 720 VTAB 13
 750 SOUND= PEEK (S)- PEEK (S)- PEEK(S)
 800 REM
         *********
 845 REM
850 REM
         ** PRINT THE RIGHT SIDE ***
         ***********
855 REM
860 FOR J=1 TO 9
870 VTAB 12+J: TAB 40: PRINT "*"
880 FOR I-1 TO 500: NEXT I
885 IF J=9 THEN GOTO 900
890 SOUND = PEEK (S) - PEEK (S) - PEEK(S)
900 NEXT J
1000 REM
1015 REM **************
1020 REM ** PRINT THE LEFT SIDE ***
1025 REM ***************
1050 FOR J=1 to 9
1060 TAB 2
1065 VTAB 12+J: PRINT "*"
1069 FOR I=1 TO 500: NEXT I
1070 SOUND= PEEK (S)- PEEK (S)- PEEK(S)
1080 NEXT J
2000 REM
```