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#### How to Intialize an Variable

data\_type (var\_name);

data\_type (var\_name) = initial\_value;

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Functions
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Syntax:

return _type (func_ name) (datatype name1, datatype name2, ...) {

return something;
}

int diff(int a, int b) {
 return a - b;
}

A function that takes two integers and performs subtraction
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#### How to use Struct

```
struct (struc t_name) {
    (datatype) name1;
    (datatype) name2;
    .
};
struct struct _name (name) = { val1, val2, ...} Initializes a struct with the following values
;
p->x;
The arrow can be used to access members of a struct. This code accesses x from a pointer struct called p. Equivalent to (*p).x
```

### <stdio.h> and <string.h> functions

```
strlen(string)
                Counts the total char in a string
                                                                                   char msg[] = " mes sag e";
                                                                                   printf("%s", strlen(msg));
                                                                                    // This code prints 7
                Is used to join two strings together string1 adds the text of string2 to it
                                                                                   char msg1[] = "My name is ";
strcat(string1,
string2)
                                                                                   char msg2[] = "Vin";
                                                                                   strcat(msg1, msg2);
                                                                                   printf("%s", msg1);
                                                                                   //This code prints "My name is Vin"
                Is used to tell if two strings are equal. Returns 0 if they are equal.
                                                                                   char msq1[] = "xyz";
strcmp()
                Returns a non-zero value if they are not.
                                                                                   char msg2[] = "xyz";
                                                                                   int result = strcmp (msg1, msg2);
                                                                                   printf("%d", result);
                                                                                   //This code prints 0
                Is used to find first occurrence of a char in a string
                                                                                   char word = "wolves";
strchr()
                                                                                   void res = strchr (word, 's');
                                                                                   printf("%s", res);
                                                                                    //This code returns a pointer to s
```



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<stdio.h> and <string.h> functions (cont)
                                                          char sent[] = "The world is cold";
         Is used to find first occurrence of a strin in a string
                                                          void* ptr = strstr (sent, "orl");
                                                          if (sent != NULL) {
                                                          printf("%s", ptr);
                                                          //{\tt This} code prints if substring is found
         One string copies another
                                                          char msg[] = "Jim";
strcpy()
                                                          char* nmsg = malloc (st rle n(msg) * sizeof(char));
                                                          strcpy(nmsg, msg);
                                                          printf("%s\n", nmsg);
                                                          //This code prints " Jim ", nmsg was changed
strdup
         Allocates and copies the string
                                                          char s = "some string"; char copy = strdup(s);
```

DataTypes				
char	refers to characters or strings	Ex. "car", 'c'		
int	refers to an integer	Ex. 1, 2, 390		
float	refers to a decimal, up to 6 digits	Ex. 1.909034		
double	refers to a decimal, up to 15 digits	Ex. 1.9090341111		
void	Empty			

Pointers				
Description:	A variable that stores another variables address			
*	The Dereference Operator:access the value stored at the address a pointer is pointing to			
&	The Address Operator: It is used to get the memory address of a variable.			
<pre>int num = 6; int *ptr = #</pre>	Return the address of num to ptr, and then dereference it. Essentially creating a pointer			

Loops		
for Loop	for (int $x = 0$ ; $x < 5$ ; $x++$ ) { $/body/$ };	
while Loop	while (x<5) { /body/ };	

## How to use malloc()

Allocates space in memory of a specific block size. Returns a void pointer if successful. Remember to free the pointer when done.

```
int nums = malloc (si zeo f(int) 10 Creates an array ); of size 10
```

## How to use realloc()

Re-allocated space of a given malloc() block space, will preserve data that's already there as long the new space is not smaller

Arrays	
Syntax:	(datatype)(var_name)[]
int arr[10];	An integer array with space for 10 integers
int nums[] = {1,2};	An integer array with elements declared
int arr[5] = {0};	An integer array of all zeroes
int arr3[5] = {1, 2};	An integer array, first two elements are set, others are 0
char word[] = "- Hello"	A char array which is basically a string

Format Specifiers				
%с	Used for character data	char		
%d	Used for signed integer data	int		
%u	Used for unsigned integer data	unsigned int		
%f or %. (num)f	Used for float or double, can insert a number before "f" for precision	float or double		
%s	Used for string data	char (string)[] or char* (string)		
%p	Used for printing the address of a pointer	void *(pointer)		

# Importing files

To import files use  $\ensuremath{\textit{\#include}}\xspace \dots$  at the top of the file, these are .h files

Use  $< \dots >$  if importing from standard c librarby

Use " " if importing your personal file							
<pre>#include <st dio.h=""></st></pre>	Standard Input Output library	printf(); scanf();					
<pre>#include <st g.="" h="" rin=""></st></pre>	A library with sting manipulation functions	<pre>strlen(); strcpy(); strcat(); memcpy(); memset();</pre>					
<pre>#include <st b.="" dli="" h=""></st></pre>	Standard Library	<pre>malloc(); realloc(); free(); rand();</pre>					

