

Exercise walk-through

Assignment Statements and Input ■ 1.4

eXercise

You must be able to

- use the **assignment operator** 赋值运算符 = to store an expression's value
- understand that assignment **replaces** the old value of a variable
- trace how a variable's value changes across assignments
- read user **input** 输入 with a Scanner

Method — Assignment

`variable = expression;` evaluates the right side and stores it in the variable, **replacing** the old value. The left side must be the variable; the right side is the expression.

Method — Tracing

```
k+ktint+w nx+w o+=w l+m+mi4p;  
nx+w o+=w nx+w o++w l+m+mi3p;+w    c+c1// x is now 7
```

Method — Input

A Scanner reads values typed by the user, e.g. `int n = sc.nextInt();`.

Practice 2.1 ■ 1 mark

State what the assignment operator does.

Solution 2.1

Worked steps

it stores the value of the right-side expression in the left-side variable, replacing the old value **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

Trace: `int y = 10; y = y * 2; y = y - 5;`. State the final value of `y`.

Solution 2.2

Worked steps

$10 \times 2 = 20$, then $20 - 5 = 15$ **M1** **A1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 1 mark

Name the class commonly used to read user input.

Solution 2.3

Method: Input

Worked steps

Scanner **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

After `int a = 3; a = 8;`, the value of `a` is

A 3

B 8

C 11

D 5

Solution 3.1

A 3

B 8



C 11

D 5

Worked steps

B.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

In `x = y + 2;`, the left side is

- A** the expression
- B** the variable being assigned
- C** a method call
- D** program output

Solution 3.2

Method: Assignment

- A the expression
- B the variable being assigned** 
- C a method call
- D program output

Worked steps

B.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

Trace: `int n = 5; n = n + 1; n = n * 3;.`

- (a) State the value of `n` after `n = n + 1`.
- (b) State the value of `n` after `n = n * 3`.
- (c) Name the class used to read input.

Solution 3.3

Worked steps

(a) 6 **B1**. (b) 18 **B1**. (c) Scanner **B1**.