

QUIZ!

Use a full sheet of 8½x11" paper. (Half sheet? Half credit!)

Put only your last name in the far upper left hand corner of the paper, where a staple would hit it. (It's OK to write **BIG**, just start in the corner!)

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AVOID A ½-POINT DEDUCTION!

Numbering responses may help you avoid overlooking a question; it's ok to go ahead and pre-number your sheet.

Feel free to abbreviate.

3 questions plus two ECs; 3 minutes; 3 points.

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Solutions

1. *What's the idea of failure in Icon?*

A expression can fail to produce a result. It's not zero, it's not null, it's not false. There is simply no result.

Failure propagates outward, causing enclosing expressions to fail.

2. *What's a generator in Icon?*

A simple definition: An expression that can produce more than one result.

3. *Approximately how many primitive operations does Icon's string scanning facility comprise?* Nine procedures and the ? operator.

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EC ½ pt: *Assuming s is a string, write Icon code to print the characters at the odd positions in s , one per line.*

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