APSC 380: Introduction to Microcomputers 1997/98 Winter Session Term 1

Tutorial 9 - Programming Practice IV

In this tutorial you will write a screen saver program that writes your name in random locations on the screen.

Write a void function, putmsg() that takes 2 integer arguments, x and y, and a character array argument, msg. The function should move to the given x, y location on the screen using the gotoxy() function and print the string at that location using the puts function. You will need to include the conio.h include file to use the function gotoxy().

Write a main program that repeatedly does the following things:

- clears the screen using the clrscr() function
- generates two random numbers using the function random(). The first number (x) should be between 0 and 79 and the second (y) should be between 0 and 24. You will need to include the stdlib.h include file to use the random() function.
- calls the putmsg() function to print your name at the random x, y position.
- uses the sleep() function to pause for 1 second

If you have extra time, modify the putmsg() function so that the printed name never "wraps around" the right hand side of the screen.