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## Answer Key: Code Crusaders: Conquer the Logic Lab for 7th Grade

Nested logic, boolean operations, and modular design. Students tackle complex problem-solving scenarios to see how professional developers structure sophisticated software.

**1. Imagine you are designing a smart thermostat. You want the heater to turn on only if the temperature is below 68 degrees AND it is currently 7:00 AM. Which logic operator best connects these two conditions?**

**Answer:** B) AND

The 'AND' operator requires both conditions to be true simultaneously for the code block to execute, making it perfect for specific multi-criteria triggers.

**2. In programming, a variable can only hold numerical data and cannot store text or snippets of words.**

**Answer:** B) False

Variables are versatile containers that can hold various data types, including integers, decimals (floats), and text (strings).

**3. A developer wants to create a 'Level Up' message that appears once for every 500 points earned. To make the code efficient and reusable across different levels, they should place the message logic inside a \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Answer:** C) Function

Functions allow programmers to group code into a named block that can be called repeatedly, preventing the need to write the same logic multiple times.

**4. Which of these is the best example of 'nesting' in programming logic?**

**Answer:** B) Using an 'if' statement inside of a 'for' loop

Nesting occurs when one control structure (like a conditional) is placed inside another (like a loop), allowing for complex decision-making during repetition.

**5. You are coding an automated inventory system for a drone delivery service. To ensure the drone continues checking items until the bin is empty, you should use a \_\_\_\_\_ loop.**

**Answer:** A) While

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A 'while' loop is used when you want a block of code to repeat for an unknown number of times until a specific condition (like the bin being empty) is met.

**6. A conditional statement (if-then-else) allows a program to follow different paths of execution based on whether a statement is true or false.**

**Answer:** A) True

Conditionals are the backbone of program logic, enabling software to react dynamically to different inputs or environmental changes.

**7. If you define a variable named 'player\_health' and set it to 100, but then subtract 20 every time the player hits an obstacle, what is the primary purpose of that variable?**

**Answer:** C) To track and update a changing state

Variables are used to maintain 'state' in a program—meaning they store information that can be modified as the program runs.

**8. In a social media app, if you want to display 'Verified' next to a user's name only if they have more than 10,000 followers, you are using the concept of \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Answer:** D) Conditionals

Conditionals create branching logic. In this case, the branch only displays the 'Verified' badge if a specific mathematical comparison (followers > 10,000) is true.

**9. A function must always return a value back to the main program; otherwise, it is considered an error.**

**Answer:** B) False

While many functions return data, some functions simply perform an action (like printing to a screen or moving a robot) without sending a value back.

**10. To create a program that draws a perfect octagon (8-sided shape), which combination of concepts would be most efficient?**

**Answer:** B) A loop that repeats a 'draw' command 8 times

A loop is the most efficient way to handle repetitive geometry, reducing the amount of code needed by iterating the same drawing command a set number of times.