ecCodes GRIB

Quiz (optional)

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Quiz

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- **Q4: For a given grib message, how would you show all the aliases for a given key?**

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Quiz: Answers

Q1: You have a number of grib files and you want to know the total number of messages in them. How would you do this?

```
grib_count file1 file2 file3 ...
```

grib_count counts the messages in each grib file and outputs the sum. Remember there is also the "-v" option to see the number of messages in each file

Quiz: Answers

Q2: You have a grib file with several messages but you do not want the 5th one. How would you delete this unwanted message?

```
grib_copy -w "count!=5" orig.grib temp
mv temp orig.grib
```

You can also do this with grib_filter of course.

Quiz: Answers

Q3: You have a number of input files containing a mixture of grib1 and grib2 messages. You want to collect just the grib2 messages into a new file. How would you do this?

```
grib_copy -w edition=2 file1 file2 out.grib2
```

Or use grib_filter:

```
if (edition == 2) {
    print "Taking message from [file]...";
    append "out.grib2";
}
```

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Quiz: Answers

Q4: For a given grib message, how would you show all the aliases for a given key?

```
grib_dump -Oa  my.grib
```

Example:

```
...
55        resolutionAndComponentFlags = 48 [00110000]
56-59   latitudeOfLastGridPoint = 0 [La2]
60-63   longitudeOfLastGridPoint = 30000000 [Lo2]
64-67   iDirectionIncrement = 2000000 [Di, Dx]
68-71   jDirectionIncrement = 2000000 [Dj, Dy]
72        scanningMode = 0 [00000000]
...
```

Quiz: Answers

Q5: How would you set all the data values to the number "-35" (thereby creating a constant field)?

```
grib_set -d -35 input output
```

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