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ANSWERS TO EVEN-NUMBERED EXERCISES

2. Write an awk program that displays the number of characters in the first field followed by the first field and sends its output to standard output.

```
$ awk '{print length($1), $1}' filename
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4. Use awk to determine how many lines in /etc/services contain the string Unassigned. Verify your answer using grep.

```
$ cat unassigned
BEGIN {count=0}
/Unassigned/ {count++}
END {print "There are", count, "lines with the string Unassigned"}
```

```
$ awk -f unassigned /etc/services
There are 448 lines that contain the string Unassigned
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```
$ grep -c Unassigned /etc/services
448
```

You do not need to initialize count.

6. Write a shell script named **listproc** that uses awk and displays the PID numbers of processes whose names match the argument given to the script.

```
$ cat listproc
#!/bin/bash
ps -ax | awk '$5 ~ /"$1"/ { print $1}; '
```

The argument to awk is in two parts, each delimited by pairs of single quotation marks. Between these parts is the first command line parameter, or argument (\$1), enclosed within double quotation marks.

