

Pointers are four bytes and pages are 4K. Here's the heap. **Malloc()** and **free()** have been implemented as described in the last class. The head of the free list is **0x58a00**. (And if you don't remember, the definition of the free list structs are to the right).

```
struct flist {
    int size;
    struct flist *flink;
    struct flist *blink;
};
```

You'll find the printout that I gave you to be helpful.

Address	Value	Address	Value	Address	Value	Address	Value
0x589a0	0x00010	0x589d0	0x00018	0x58a00	0x00030	0x58a30	0x00010
0x589a4	0x589d0	0x589d4	0x00000	0x58a04	0x589a0	0x58a34	0x589a0
0x589a8	0x58a00	0x589d8	0x589a0	0x58a08	0x00000	0x58a38	0x589c8
0x589ac	0x00018	0x589dc	0x589e0	0x58a0c	0x58a1c	0x58a3c	0x00020
0x589b0	0x00020	0x589e0	0x58a3c	0x58a10	0x58a24	0x58a40	0x00018
0x589b4	0x00018	0x589e4	0x00018	0x58a14	0x58a1c	0x58a44	0x589c0
0x589b8	0x589e0	0x589e8	0x00018	0x58a18	0x58a00	0x58a48	0x58a18
0x589bc	0x58a08	0x589ec	0x589c0	0x58a1c	0x589cc	0x58a4c	0x00010
0x589c0	0x58a44	0x589f0	0x58a1c	0x58a20	0x58a20	0x58a50	0x00008
0x589c4	0x589cc	0x589f4	0x00020	0x58a24	0x00030	0x58a54	0x589a0
0x589c8	0x00010	0x589f8	0x58a30	0x58a28	0x00018	0x58a58	0x589a0
0x589cc	0x589ec	0x589fc	0x58a08	0x58a2c	0x58a3c	0x58a5c	0x58a24

Please answer the following questions:

- Question 1:** How many bytes are in the first node (or memory chunk) on the free list?
- Question 2:** What is the memory address of the second node on the free list?
- Question 3:** How many bytes are in the second node (or memory chunk) on the free list?
- Question 4:** How many nodes are there on the free list?
- Question 5:** How many allocated chunks are there (memory chunks that have been malloc'd, but not freed)?
- Question 6:** If I call **sbrk(0)**, what will it return (It is not 0x58a60)?

Answer to the clicker questions

To explain this question, first, identify the nodes on the free list:

- Node 1: Starts at 0x58a00 and is 0x30 = 48 bytes in size. Why 0x30? Because the first four bytes are the size. The next four bytes are **fink**, so the next node on the free list is 0x589a0.
- Node 2: Starts at 0x589a0 and is 0x10 = 16 bytes in size. Its **fink** value is 0x589d0, so that's the next node on the free list.
- Node 3: Starts at 0x589d0 and is 0x18 = 24 bytes in size. Its **fink** value is 0x00000, so that's the end of the free list.

That gives you the answer to questions 1 - 4:

- **Question 1:** 0x30 or 48.
- **Question 2:** 0x589a0.
- **Question 3:** 0x10 or 16.
- **Question 4:** 3.

Now, to answer the rest of the question, it's helpful to differentiate the free memory from the allocated memory. I've done that below by coloring the free memory blue:

Address	Value	Address	Value	Address	Value
0x589a0	0x00010	0x589e0	0x58a3c	0x58a20	0x58a20
0x589a4	0x589d0	0x589e4	0x00018	0x58a24	0x00030
0x589a8	0x58a00	0x589e8	0x00018	0x58a28	0x00018
0x589ac	0x00018	0x589ec	0x589c0	0x58a2c	0x58a3c
0x589b0	0x00020	0x589f0	0x58a1c	0x58a30	0x00010
0x589b4	0x00018	0x589f4	0x00020	0x58a34	0x589a0
0x589b8	0x589e0	0x589f8	0x58a30	0x58a38	0x589c8
0x589bc	0x58a08	0x589fc	0x58a08	0x58a3c	0x00020
0x589c0	0x58a44	0x58a00	0x00030	0x58a40	0x00018
0x589c4	0x589cc	0x58a04	0x589a0	0x58a44	0x589c0
0x589c8	0x00010	0x58a08	0x00000	0x58a48	0x58a18
0x589cc	0x589ec	0x58a0c	0x58a1c	0x58a4c	0x00010
0x589d0	0x00018	0x58a10	0x58a24	0x58a50	0x00008
0x589d4	0x00000	0x58a14	0x58a1c	0x58a54	0x589a0
0x589d8	0x589a0	0x58a18	0x58a00	0x58a58	0x589a0
0x589dc	0x589e0	0x58a1c	0x589cc	0x58a5c	0x58a24

The allocated memory will be the memory in the black font. The first 4 bytes of a chunk will be the chunk's size. So:

- Chunk 1: Address = 0x589b0 and Size = 0x20 or 32 bytes. Therefore, the chunk goes right up to the free chunk at 0x589d0.
- Chunk 2: Address = 0x589e8 and Size = 0x18 or 24 bytes. Therefore, the chunk goes right up to the free chunk at 0x58a00.
- Chunk 3: Address = 0x58a30 and Size = 0x10 or 16 bytes. This means that the next chunk starts at 0x58a40.
- Chunk 4: Address = 0x58a40 and Size = 0x18 or 24 bytes. This means that the next chunk starts at 0x58a58. Or not -- because there's not a valid size there, and the heap "ends" after 0x58a5c. So this is the last chunk, and what we're printing are eight bytes that are on the same page, but have not been assigned to the process by the operating system yet. This clues us into the answer to the last question.

• **Question 5:** 4

• **Question 6:** It will return 0x58a58. If our page sizes are 4K, then the addresses up to 0x58fff will not seg fault, but they are not officially allocated to our process yet.