Solutions to Quick Exercises

1 What is Programming?

1.1

The mouse moves:

```
step forward;
turn right;
step forward;
turn left;
step forward;
turn left;
turn left;
step forward;
turn right;
step forward;
turn right;
step forward;
step forward;
```

1.2

If there is no exit from the maze, then the algorithm causes the mouse to exit through the entry point.

1.3

Hugging the wall on the left would work better for this maze:



It works worse on this maze:



1.4

The complete trip is:

Step forward. Turn right. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Facing a wall; turn left. Facing a wall; turn left. Facing a wall; turn left. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Facing a wall; turn left. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Facing a wall; turn left. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Facing a wall; turn left. Facing a wall; turn left. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Facing a wall; turn left. Facing a wall; turn left. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Not facing a wall; move forward. Turn right. Not facing a wall; move forward.

```
Turn right.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Not facing a wall; move forward.
Turn right.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Not facing a wall; move forward.
Turn right.
Not facing a wall; move forward.
Turn right.
Not facing a wall; move forward.
Turn right.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Facing a wall; turn left.
Not facing a wall; move forward.
```

1.5

The algorithm for hugging the wall on the left is:

```
step forward;
while (inside the maze?) {
  turn left;
  while (facing a wall?) {
    turn right;
  }
  step forward;
}
```

1.6

- 1. 1010101 in decimal is 85.
- 2. 1010110 in decimal is 86.
- 3. 1111111 in decimal is 127.

1.7

The ASCII code for "a" is "97", for "z" is "122", for "A" is "65", for "Z" is "90", for "0" is "48", for "9" is "57", and for "&" is "38".