

Chapter 1: File-AID Facilities

You will learn:

- The similarities and differences between ISPF/PDF versus File-AID/SPF.
- PRIMARY OPTION MENU.
- PARAMETER SELECTION MENU.
- ISPF parameter options.
- Evaluate and select system parameters.
- SELECTION CRITERIA PARAMETERS.
- Manage print parameters.
- Manage processing parameters.
- Apply audit file allocation parameters.
- Default setting panel.

Chapter 2: Browse

You will learn:

- Accessing File-AID.
- Browsing a data file.
- PDS PROCESSING OPTIONS.
- Selecting records to browse.
- Specifying record layout and XREF information.
- Browse a sequential dataset.
- BROWSE - DATASET SPECIFICATION.
- Using selection criteria.
- Types of data that can be scanned.
- SHOW command.
- Specifying the type of field information to display.
- DISPLAY command.
- Viewing the layout in column location order.
- Defining formatted field selection criteria.
- Defining a compound AND condition.
- Defining unformatted field selection criteria.
- Use the vertical view format.
- Displaying the next record in the dataset.
- Controlling the records not selected with an information line.
- Removing the mode prompt message line.

Chapter 3: VSAM

You will learn:

- Allocating a VSAM cluster.
- The three types of VSAM datasets - ESDS, RRDS, and KSDS.
- VSAM Utility - Option 3.5.
- Cluster allocation.
- Allocation parameters.
- Generating batch JCL information.
- Executing JCL.

Chapter 4: Editing

You will learn:

- Full-screen editing.
- Formatted Edit commands.
- Accessing EDIT Function - Option 2.
- RESET command.
- FIND command.
- FPRINT command.
- CHANGE command.
- REPEAT command.
- KEY command.
- UNDO command.
- SORT KEYS command.
- Sorting the records of the dataset.

Chapter 5: COMPARE FILE

You will learn:

- How to compare two datasets.
- Specifying selection criteria.
- COMPARE options.
- How to use formatted options with the COMPARE.
- How to interpret the Compare reports.

Chapter 6: Searching and Updating

You will learn:

- Scanning and updating datasets.
- Defining a search/update request.
- Generating a PDS find.
- Change the member list of selected members.
- Specifying quick selection criteria.
- Editing or browsing selected members.
- Specifying a CHANGE to all selected members.
- Scanning datasets for specific records.

Chapter 7: Copy Utility

You will learn:

- Copying selected PDS members.
- PDS member processing and selection features.
- Specifying temporary selection criteria.
- Generate batch JCL.

Chapter 8: View Layout Utility

You will learn:

- View Layout Utility.
- Specifying record layout specification.
- Viewing the interpreted layout.

Chapter 9: Reformatting Records

You will learn:

- Reformatting records.
- Creating a new reformat definition.
- Using the Reformat Definition Editor.
- Supported COBOL reformat field formats.
- Reformat execution on-line and batch.

Chapter 10: XREF Dataset: Creation and Use

You will learn:

- Layout usage - automating with XREF.
- New XREF member - creation.
- Layout selection rules.
- PDS processing options - member filters.
- XREF criteria.
- Selecting a layout structure from an available layouts list.
- Use the XREF member - record layout usage.
- Browsing formatted data records with an XREF.

Chapter 11: File-AID/Batch

You will learn:

- Using function and function modifiers.
- Parameter function descriptions.
- Coding conventions.
- Control cards.
- Use dataset and parameter identifiers.
- Use File-AID batch functions - COMPARE, COPY, DROP, DUMP, FPRINT, LIST, PRINT, REFORMAT, RLPRINT, SPRINT, TALLY, USER, and VPRINT.
- Code logical AND and OR conditions.