# Problem of the Week Problem A <br> <br> Following Directions 

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Yeni is playing a game that uses a $12 \times 12$ grid like the one shown below. She moves pieces on the grid by giving a sequence of steps. Each step is a direction indicated by an arrow: $\uparrow$ (up one block), $\downarrow$ (down one block), $\leftarrow$ (left one block), and $\rightarrow$ (right one block).

Yeni has a special move which combines six steps: $\rightarrow \rightarrow \downarrow \downarrow \leftarrow \uparrow$
A) Yeni starts by putting a marker ( $\mathbf{X}$ ) at position A1.

|  | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L |
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| 1 | $\mathbf{X}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

What is the position of the marker after making the special move three times in a row?
B) How many more times can she repeat the special move before the marker will move off the grid?

