

WEEK-ASS-7.3

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Task-1:

Task 1: Fixing Syntax Errors

Scenario

You are reviewing a Python program where a basic function definition contains a syntax error.

Requirements

- Provide a Python function `add(a, b)` with a missing colon
- Use an AI tool to detect the syntax error
- Allow AI to correct the function definition
- Observe how AI explains the syntax issue

Expected Output

- Corrected function with proper syntax
- Syntax error resolved successfully
- AI-generated explanation of the fix

Prompt:

"The following Python function has a syntax error because a colon is missing. Please identify the syntax error, correct the function, and briefly explain what was wrong."

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```
def add(a, b)
    return a + b
```

Code:

```
▶  def add(a,b)
        return a+b

...
File "/tmp/ipython-input-3843817783.py", line 1
    def add(a,b)
               ^
SyntaxError: expected ':'
```

 Please explain this error:

! SyntaxError: expected ':'

◆ The error `SyntaxError: expected ':'` indicates that a colon is missing at the end of your function definition. In Python, a colon must follow the parentheses in a `def` statement. I've corrected this for you.

▶ Accept & Run ✓ Accept ✗ Cancel

What can I help you build?

+ Gemini 2.5 Flash ▶

Gemini can make mistakes so double-check it and use code with caution. [Learn more](#)

Use an AI tool to detect the syntax error:

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 def add(a,b):
 return a+b

Allow AI to correct the function definition:

Fixed Version (correct syntax)

python

 Copy code

```
def add(a, b):  
    return a + b
```

Explanation:

The error occurs because the function definition is missing a colon (:) at the end of the def line.

In Python, a colon is required to indicate the start of the function body.

Without the colon, Python raises a Syntax Error and cannot execute the code.

Task-2:

Task 2: Debugging Logic Errors in Loops

Scenario

You are debugging a loop that runs infinitely due to a logical mistake.

```
python

def count_down(n):
    while n >= 0:
        print(n)
        n += 1 # Should be n -= 1
```

Requirements

- Provide a loop with an increment or decrement error
- Use AI to identify the cause of infinite iteration
- Let AI fix the loop logic
- Analyse the corrected loop behaviour

Expected Output

- Infinite loop issue resolved
- Correct increment/decrement logic applied
- AI explanation of the logic error

Prompt:

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"The following Python loop runs infinitely due to a logical error. Please identify the cause of the infinite loop, fix the loop logic, and explain what was wrong."

Code:

```
▶ def count_down(n):
    while n>=0:
        print(n)
        n-=1
```

```
n = 5
count_down(n)
```

```
... 5
4
3
2
1
0
```

Logical error:

explain the logical error

The logical error in the original `count_down` function was within the `while` loop. The line `n+=1` was causing `n` to increase in each iteration. Since the loop condition was `while n>=0`, if `n` started as a non-negative number, it would always remain non-negative (or become positive), leading to an infinite loop. For a countdown, `n` should be decreased with `n-=1`.

Explanation:

The loop was intended to count from 1 to 5, but it contained a logical mistake in the increment/decrement statement.

The variable `i` was decremented (`i -= 1`) instead of incremented, causing its value to move further away from the loop's stopping condition.

Because i kept decreasing, the condition $i \leq 5$ always remained true, resulting in an infinite loop.

The issue was fixed by changing the decrement to an increment ($i += 1$), allowing the loop variable to progress toward the termination condition. After the fix, the loop executes correctly and stops after printing numbers from 1 to 5.

Task-3:

Task 3: Handling Runtime Errors (Division by Zero)

Scenario

A Python function crashes during execution due to a division by zero error.

```
# Debug the following code
def divide(a, b):
    return a / b

print(divide(10, 0))
```

Requirements

- Provide a function that performs division without validation
- Use AI to identify the runtime error
- Let AI add try-except blocks for safe execution
- Review AI's error-handling approach

Expected Output

- Function executes safely without crashing
- Division by zero handled using try-except
- Clear AI-generated explanation of runtime error handling

Prompt:

'The following Python function crashes at runtime due to a division by zero error. Please identify the runtime error, modify the function using `try-except` to handle it safely, and explain how the error handling works.'

Code and Output:

```
▶ def divide(a, b):
    return a / b

divide(10, 0)
```

```
▶ def divide(a, b):
    try:
        return a / b
    except ZeroDivisionError:
        return "Error: Division by zero is not allowed.

divide(10, 0)
... 'Error: Division by zero is not allowed.'
```

The code in cell (URBMD0aST3HZ) executed successfully! Your `divide` function, with its `try-except` block, correctly handled the attempt to divide by zero. Instead of crashing, it returned the message: 'Error: Division by zero is not allowed.' as expected.

Explanation:

- **The function attempts to divide two numbers without checking the divisor.**
- **When the function is called with $b = 0$, Python raises a `ZeroDivisionError`.**
- **This error occurs at runtime, not during function definition.**
- **The program crashes because division by zero is mathematically invalid.**
- **A `try-except` block is used to handle this error safely.**
- **The risky division operation is placed inside the `try` block.**
- **The `except ZeroDivisionError` block catches the error.**
- **Instead of crashing, the function returns a meaningful error message.**
- **This ensures the program continues running without interruption.**

Task-4:

Resolving Index Errors in Lists

Scenario

A program crashes when accessing an invalid index in a list.

Requirements

- Provide code that accesses an out-of-range list index
- Use AI to identify the Index Error
- Let AI suggest safe access methods
- Apply bounds checking or exception handling

Expected Output

- Index error resolved
- Safe list access logic implemented

```
python  
  
numbers = [1, 2, 3]  
print(numbers[5])
```

Requirements

- Provide code that accesses an out-of-range list index
- Use AI to identify the Index Error
- Let AI suggest safe access methods
- Apply bounds checking or exception handling

Expected Output

- Index error resolved
- Safe list access logic implemented

'The following Python code causes a runtime error.

Please identify the error, explain why it occurs, and provide a corrected version that safely handles the issue."

Code and Output:

```
▶ numbers=[1,2,3]
  print(numbers[5])

...
IndexError Traceback (most recent call last)
/tmp/ipython-input-3809996345.py in <cell line: 0>()
      1 numbers=[1,2,3]
----> 2 print(numbers[5])

IndexError: list index out of range
```

Next steps: [Explain error](#)

Correct code:

```
▶ numbers=[1,2,3]
  print(numbers[0])

...
1
```

IndexError: list index out of range

The error `IndexError: list index out of range` means you are trying to access an element in the `numbers` list using an index that is outside the valid range. The list `numbers` only has elements at indices 0, 1, and 2. I've corrected the code to access the first element of the list, which is at index 0.

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Explanation:

- The list `numbers` contains three elements.
- Python uses zero-based indexing.
- The valid indexes for this list are 0, 1, and 2.
- Index 5 does not exist in the list.
- Attempting to access an invalid index causes an Index Error.
- This error occurs during program execution (runtime).
- The program crashes because the index is outside the list's range.
- Proper index validation or error handling can prevent this issue.

Task-5:

Debugging Class Definition Errors

Scenario

You are given a faulty Python class where the constructor is incorrectly defined.

```
python3
class Rectangle:
    def __init__(length, width):
        self.length = length
        self.width = width
```

Requirements

- Provide a class definition with missing self-parameter
- Use AI to identify the issue in the `__init__()` method
- Allow AI to correct the class definition
- Understand why `self` is required

Expected Output

- Corrected `__init__()` method
- Proper use of `self` in class definition
- AI explanation of object-oriented errorPrompt:

Prompt:

'The following Python class has an error in its constructor.

?Please identify the issue in the `__init__()` method, correct the class definition, and explain why the `self` parameter is required."

Code and Output:

```
▶ class Rectangle:  
    def __init__(length, width):  
        self.length = length  
        self.width = width  
  
...     File "/tmp/ipython-input-781339241.py", line 2  
          def __init__(length, width):  
                           ^  
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
```

Next steps: [Explain error](#)

Correct code:

```
▶ class Rectangle:  
    def __init__(self, length, width):  
        self.length = length  
        self.width = width
```

◆ You're getting a `SyntaxError` because there's no space between `def` and `__init__`. Also, the `__init__` method needs `self` as its first parameter to refer to the instance of the class. I've corrected these for you.
The code in cell `vYpQa8QpY-ka` executed successfully! The `Rectangle` class has been defined with an `__init__` method that takes `self`,

[Explain the 'IndexError' again with a different index](#) [Show me how to access other elements](#)

Explanation:

- **The `__init__()` method is missing the `self` parameter.**
- **In Python, `self` represents the current object instance.**
- **Python automatically passes the object to instance methods as `self`.**
- **Without `self`, Python cannot bind variables to the object.**
- **Statements like `name = name` only create local variables.**
- **Instance variables must be assigned using `self.variable_name`.**

- **Missing self causes the class to behave incorrectly or raise errors.**
- **Adding self allows proper initialization of object attributes.**