

Cypress for QA Problem Set 2 Solutions

Useful examples can be found here: <https://github.com/cypress-io/cypress-example-recipes>

1 Session and State Management

Problem 1.1: Preserve login session across multiple tests

```
beforeEach(() => {
  cy.session('loginSession', () => {
    cy.visit('/login');
    cy.get('#email').type('qa@example.com');
    cy.get('#password').type('securepass');
    cy.get('#login-btn').click();
    cy.url().should('include', '/dashboard');
  });
});

it('should access protected page after login', () => {
  cy.visit('/settings');
  cy.get('h1').should('contain', 'Settings');
});
```

Problem 1.2: Store auth token and use in API test

```
let authToken;

before(() => {
  cy.request('POST', '/api/login', {
    email: 'qa@example.com',
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        password: 'securepass'
    })).then((resp) => {
        authToken = resp.body.token;
    });
});

it('should fetch profile data with token', () => {
    cy.request({
        method: 'GET',
        url: '/api/profile',
        headers: {
            Authorization: 'Bearer ${authToken}'
        }
    }).then((resp) => {
        expect(resp.status).to.eq(200);
        expect(resp.body).to.have.property('email');
    });
});
```

2 File Upload and Download

Problem 2.1: Upload a CSV file and validate response

```
import 'cypress-file-upload';

it('should upload a CSV file', () => {
  cy.visit('/upload');
  cy.get('input[type="file"]').attachFile('sample-data.csv');
  cy.get('#upload-btn').click();
  cy.get('.upload-success').should('contain', 'Upload complete');
});
```

Problem 2.2: Download a file and check filename

```
it('should trigger download with correct filename', () => {
  cy.intercept('GET', '/files/report.pdf').as('fileDownload');
  cy.get('#download-btn').click();
  cy.wait('@fileDownload').its('response.headers')
    .should('have.property', 'content-disposition')
    .and('include', 'report.pdf');
});
```

3 Assertions and Conditional Logic

Problem 3.1: Conditionally test based on element existence

```
it('should click alert banner if visible', () => {
  cy.get('body').then($body => {
    if ($body.find('.alert-banner').length) {
      cy.get('.alert-banner').click();
      cy.get('.modal').should('be.visible');
    }
  });
});
```

Problem 3.2: Validate dynamic UI updates after API interaction

```
it('should reflect API change in UI', () => {
  cy.intercept('POST', '/api/toggle-feature', {
    statusCode: 200,
    body: { enabled: true }
  }).as('toggle');

  cy.get('#feature-toggle-btn').click();
  cy.wait('@toggle');
  cy.get('.feature-status').should('contain', 'Enabled');
});
```

Problem 3.3: Test UI behavior based on local storage flag

```
it('should skip intro modal if dismissed before', () => {
  {
    cy.visit('/', {
      onBeforeLoad(win) {
        win.localStorage.setItem('hideIntroModal', 'true');
      }
    }
  }
});
```

```
});  
  
cy.get('#intro-modal').should('not.exist');  
});
```

4 Modals, Tabs, and UI States

Problem 4.1: Ensure modal closes when clicking outside

```
it('should close the modal on outside click', () => {  
  cy.get('#open-modal-btn').click();  
  cy.get('#modal').should('be.visible');  
  cy.get('body').click(0, 0); // Click outside modal  
  cy.get('#modal').should('not.exist');  
});
```

Problem 4.2: Switch tabs and validate content

```
it('should switch to the Reports tab', () => {  
  cy.get('#tab-reports').click();  
  cy.get('.tab-content').should('contain', 'Monthly  
  Reports');  
});
```

5 Pagination and Lazy Loading

Problem 5.1: Validate pagination loads more items

```
it('should load next page of results', () => {  
  cy.get('.result-item').should('have.length', 10);  
  cy.get('#next-page-btn').click();  
  cy.get('.result-item').should('have.length.  
    greaterThan', 10);  
});
```

Problem 5.2: Infinite scroll triggers more content

```
it('should load more items on scroll', () => {
  cy.scrollTo('bottom');
  cy.wait(1000);
  cy.get('.infinite-item').its('length').should('be.gt', 20);
});
```

6 APIs and GraphQL

Problem 6.1: Intercept GraphQL query and assert variables

```
it('should call GraphQL with correct variables', () => {
  cy.intercept('POST', '/graphql', (req) => {
    expect(req.body.operationName).to.eq('
      GetUserProfile');
    expect(req.body.variables.id).to.eq('user-123');
  }).as('graphqlRequest');

  cy.get('#fetch-profile-btn').click();
  cy.wait('@graphqlRequest');
});
```

Problem 6.2: Mock GraphQL mutation response

```
it('should mock mutation and verify UI', () => {
  cy.intercept('POST', '/graphql', (req) => {
    if (req.body.operationName === 'UpdateStatus') {
      req.reply({
        data: { updateStatus: { success: true } }
      });
    }
  }).as('updateStatus');

  cy.get('#status-toggle').click();
  cy.wait('@updateStatus');
  cy.get('.status-msg').should('contain', 'Status
    updated');
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});
```

7 Timing and Retry Strategies

Problem 7.1: Wait and assert on delayed element

```
it('should wait for delayed banner to appear', () => {  
  cy.get('#delayed-banner', { timeout: 8000 }).should(  
    'be.visible');  
});
```

Problem 7.2: Retry logic for flaky backend error

```
it('should retry API on failure and eventually succeed',  
  () => {  
    let attempt = 0;  
  
    cy.intercept('GET', '/api/retry-endpoint', (req) =>  
      {  
        attempt++;  
        if (attempt < 3) {  
          req.reply({ statusCode: 500 });  
        } else {  
          req.reply({ statusCode: 200, body: { status:  
            'ok' } });  
        }  
      })  
    ).as('retryAPI');  
  
    cy.visit('/retry-page');  
    cy.wait('@retryAPI');  
    cy.get('.status-indicator').should('contain', 'ok');  
  });
```