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# **Assignment 4** (explain\_the\_phrase.cc)

Lergom in the previous assignment was said to "be off on the wrong foot". That is of course a phrase for "starting out the wrong way". It turns out a list of more phrases and idioms are available in given\_files/phrases.txt (from www.goenglish.com). The file has groups of lines in which the first line contain a phrase and the next few lines uses that phrase in a context in order to explain the phrase. The last line in each group is empty.

### **Functional requirements**

Write a program that uses the file to explain phrases. Ask for a keyword and find all phrases containing that keyword. Print the example of how to use each found phrase. The default file to open is given\_files/phrases.txt, and if you fail to open that file you must ask the user for a new file until the user enters a valid file. Examples below describe how your program must work. You do not have to consider upper/lower case differences.

#### Non-functional requirements and presumptions

- 1. You may only open the file once (you may seek in the file). You may fail to open the file any number of times.
- 2. You may not presume a fixed number of phrases, the file will grow beyond your presumption or another file will contain more phrases than your presumption.
- 3. You may (but need not) store the entire file content in memory, but you must in that case carefully observe requirement number 2 just above this.
- 4. You may presume that each line is shorter than 1000 characters.

## **Examples running the program three times**

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Enter a keyword of the phrase to explain: hand

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A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush
- "Dan has asked me to go party with him. What if my boyfriend finds out?"
- "Don't go. A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

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Never bite the hand that feeds you
- "We have been your best customers for years. How could you suddenly treat us so rudely? You should never bite the hand that feeds you."

Enter a keyword of the phrase to explain: dozen

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A dime a dozen
- "I don't need friends like him; they are a dime a dozen."

Enter a keyword of the phrase to explain: safe

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Better safe than sorry
- "Should I bring my umbrella?"
- "Better safe than sorry."
- "Okay. I'll go get it."
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