Generating Test Data Challenge

Overview

I'll be testing a Python program that takes documents from two folders – one called originals and the other called updates – and decides which ones to keep in a final folder called finals. The program uses either a file called 'droplist', which will ignore some files from the originals folder, or an 'allowlist' which will only keep some files from the originals folder. Files from the updates folder always go into a new folder called 'finals', and if a file is in both originals and updates folders, the updates version supersedes information in originals.

I'll be testing the program to make sure:

- It follows the rules correctly
- It puts the right files in the finals folder
- It doesn't include or miss files by mistake
- It works properly with names and addresses made using Faker

Rules:

- If a file is in updates, it **must** be in finals.
- If a file is in originals and is in allowlist → put in finals (unless it's superseded by updates).
- If a file is in droplist, it should **not** be in finals at all.
- If a file is not mentioned in allowlist, it's ignored.
- If both *allowlist* and *droplist* exist → error.

Manual Tests

Test Case ID	Descripti on	Origina Is	Updates	List	Expect ed Outcom e	Status	Notes
TC01	File in originals and in droplist, NO UPDATE S FOLDER	Smith	-	droplist: Smith	No updates error	Passed	ERROR: updates folder not found in target directory
TC02	Check if updates folder overrides originals folder	DiCapri o	DiCaprio	allowlist: DiCaprio	Updates superse des	Passed	DiCaprio details from updates folder is in finals
TC03	File in updates only, listed in droplist, NO ORIGINA LS FOLDER	-	Pitt	droplist: Pitt	No originals error	Passed	ERROR: originals folder not found in target directory
TC04	File in originals and in allowlist, NO UPDATE S FOLDER	Gyllenh aal	-	allowlist: Gyllenhaal	No updates error	Passed	ERROR: updates folder not found in target directory
TC05	File is in originals folder, but	Dench	Empty	allowlist: empty	File not in finals	Fail	IndexError: list index out of range

	allowlist is empty						
TC06	Special character in file name	Zeta-Jo nes	Empty	allowlist: Zeta-Jones	File with special charact er in name in finals	Fail	The name of the file in finals is changed to remove the special character from Zeta-Jones to ZetaJones