

## Just some rubbish, ignore it

In [1]:

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['a'].remove('a')
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In [2]:

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x = ['a']  
x.insert(3, 'b')  
x
```

Out[2]:

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['a', 'b']
```

In [3]:

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x
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Out[3]:

```
['a', 'b']
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In [4]:

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y = []  
y.insert(0, 'a')  
y
```

Out[4]:

```
['a']
```

In [5]:

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z = ['a','c']  
z.insert(1,'b')  
z
```

Out[5]:

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['a', 'b', 'c']
```

In [6]:

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z = ['a','c'].reverse()
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In [7]:

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p = ['a', 'b']  
p.pop()
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Out[7]:

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'b'
```

In [8]:

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