Introduction to Python

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Rock, Paper, Scissors



Create a simple one player Rock, Paper, Scissors game in Python. The game is a best-of-three match. The player is playing against the computer. After each match, display the scores and allow players the option to play again.

Remember the basic rules:

- Rock crushes Scissors.
- Scissors cut Paper.
- Paper covers Rock.

Instructions

- 1. Initialize Variables
 - a. Track scores for each player.
 - b. Track the number of games.
 - c. Define a list of allowed choices.
- 2. Obtain input for the player and the computer.
 - a. Make sure that the player uses the correct move!
 - b. For the computer, you can use the random library to generate a random choice:

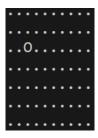
```
import random # at the top of your python program
computer choice = random.choice(["rock", "paper", "scissors"])
```

- 3. Use a loop to manage the flow of the game. For each turn in the loop:
 - a. Capture each player's choice. Validate the input.
 - b. Determine the round's winner.
 - i. If there's a draw, restart the round.
 - ii. If not, update and display the current scores.
 - c. If a player reaches a score of 2, announce them as the match winner.
- 4. Once a match concludes, ask players if they'd like another match.
 - a. If yes, reset scores and continue.
 - b. If not, exit the game.
- 5. Display a closing message once the players decide not to continue.

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Ball Movement

Create a simple console-based program in Python where a "ball" can be moved around the screen using keyboard commands.



Instructions

- 1. Initialize Variables
 - a. Define your "scene" size. This could be a grid of 10x10, for example.
 - b. Decide on a starting position for your ball, such as the center.
 - c. Decide on a representation for the ball (e.g., "O") and empty spaces (e.g., ".").
- 2. Use lists to represent the scene's state. For each position in the grid, store either the ball's representation or an empty space.
- 3. Capture Player Input
 - a. Use commands like 'W' for up, 'A' for left, 'S' for down, 'D' for right.
 - b. Add a guit command like 'Q'.
 - c. Make sure to validate the input, ensuring it's one of the allowed commands.
- 4. Interpret the user's command to calculate the new position for the ball.
- 5. Make sure the new position is within the grid's boundaries.
- 6. Before updating the scene on the console, you'll need to clear the previous state. You can use the os module to help with this:

```
import os # at the top of your python program
os.system('cls' if os.name == 'nt' else 'clear')
```

- 7. Print out the current state of your grid, showing the ball and empty spaces.
- 8. Continually:
 - a. Capture the player's command.
 - b. Update the ball's position.
 - c. Clear the console.
 - d. Render the updated scene.
 - e. Exit the loop when the player decides to quit.
- 9. Display a message to thank the player for playing when they decide to guit.

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