Quote Fetcher

Fetch a personalized set of quote IDs from a dynamic page, retrieve the corresponding quotes from a public API, save them to quotes.json, and generate shareable PNG images for each quote using a color scheme also derived from the dynamic page.

The script prompts for your student ID (A.M.) at runtime and uses it to fetch both the list of quote IDs and a color scheme.

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Features

- **ID extraction**: Scrapes numbers from a dynamic page tied to your student ID and selects up to the first 50 unique IDs.
- Quote retrieval: Calls a public API (dummy j son.com) to fetch quote text and author per ID.
- JSON export: Stores all fetched quotes in quotes.json with UTF-8 encoding.
- **Image generation**: Produces PNG images (1200×200) per quote with background/text colors read from the dynamic page.
- Graceful failure: Network issues and missing IDs are handled without crashing the whole run.

Architecture

The script consists of the following functions:

- fetch_quote_ids(student_id): Requests a Netlify function URL derived from student_id, parses the HTML, and extracts numeric tokens from common tags (p, span, div, li, td). Returns up to 50 unique sorted IDs.
- fetch_quotes(quote_ids): For each ID, fetches quote data from https://dummyjson.com/ quotes/{id} and collects {id, quote, author} objects.
- save_quotes_to_json(quotes, filename="quotes.json"): Serializes quotes to a JSON file using ensure_ascii=False.
- fetch_color_scheme(student_id) : Re-requests the dynamic page and reads <div id="colors" data-bg="#..." data-color="#..."> attributes; defaults to black on white if absent.
- generate_quote_images(quotes, bg_color, text_color): Calls https://dummyjson.com/image/1200x200/{bg}/{fg}?text=...&fontSize=18 per quote and writes PNGs to quotes/.
- main(): Prompts for A.M., orchestrates the steps, and prints progress in Greek.

Prerequisites

- Python: 3.8+ (tested on 3.10/3.11)
- Pip: for installing dependencies

Python packages

```
requests
beautifulsoup4
```

Optionally install lxml for faster/stricter HTML parsing, though the built-in html.parser works.

Installation

```
# 1) Create and activate a virtual environment (recommended)
python -m venv .venv
# Windows
.venv\Scripts\activate
# macOS/Linux
source .venv/bin/activate

# 2) Install dependencies
pip install -U pip
pip install requests beautifulsoup4
```

Usage

Assuming the script is saved as main.py in your project root:

```
python main.py
```

You will be prompted:

```
Εισάγετε τον Α.Μ. σας:
```

Enter your student ID (A.M.) and press **Enter**.

Example session (abridged)

```
Ανακτήθηκαν τα ακόλουθα Quote IDs: [3, 7, 12, ...]
Τα αποφθέγματα αποθηκεύτηκαν επιτυχώς στο quotes.json
Εικόνα 3.png δημιουργήθηκε.
Εικόνα 7.png δημιουργήθηκε.
...
Η διαδικασία ολοκληρώθηκε! Οι εικόνες αποθηκεύτηκαν στο φάκελο quotes/.
```

Outputs

• quotes.json: Array of quote objects:

• quotes/]: Directory containing one PNG per quote, named [{id}.png](e.g., quotes/3.png).

Configuration & Customization

• Limit of IDs: By default, the first **50** unique numeric tokens are used. Change the slice in fetch_quote_ids to adjust:

```
return sorted(numbers)[:50]
```

• Image size & font: The image service URL includes size and fontSize. Adjust in generate_quote_images :

```
f"https://dummyjson.com/image/1200x200/{bg}/{fg}?text=...&fontSize=18"
```

- Output directory: Images are written to quotes/. Change the path in generate_quote_images.
- HTML tags scanned: Modify the list in soup.find_all(["p", "span", "div", "li", "td"]) to broaden or restrict extraction.
- **Default colors**: Fallbacks are black background (000000) and white text (FFFFFF). Update in fetch_color_scheme .

Error Handling & Troubleshooting

- **Network errors**: Requests are wrapped with response.raise_for_status() and try/except. Failures for individual quote IDs are logged and skipped.
- **No IDs found**: You'll see Δεν βρέθηκαν έγκυρα Quote IDs . Confirm your A.M. and that the Netlify function is reachable.
- Missing color scheme: If the | <div id="colors"> | is absent, defaults are used.
- API limits/404s: If dummyjson.com lacks a quote for a given ID, that entry is skipped; the rest proceed.

Verbose Debugging (optional)

```
You can add temporary print() statements or logging to inspect responses, e.g., print(response.text[:500]) after fetching the dynamic page.
```

Privacy & Notes

- Your student ID (A.M.) is sent as a query parameter to the Netlify endpoint to generate a personalized page. No additional personal data is collected by this script.
- Generated files are stored locally in your project folder.

Project Structure

```
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├─ main.py  # The script (name may vary)

├─ quotes.json  # Generated after a successful run

└─ quotes/  # PNG images (auto-created)
```

API Endpoints Used

- **Dynamic page (IDs & colors)**: https://tma111.netlify.app/.netlify/functions/generate?id={student_id}
- Quote by ID: https://dummyjson.com/quotes/{id}
- Image generator: https://dummyjson.com/image/1200x200/{bg}/{fg}? text={encoded_quote}&fontSize=18

FAQ

Q: Do I need a browser or JavaScript engine?

A: No. The dynamic page is fetched server-side; we parse the returned HTML for numbers and color metadata.

Q: Can I run this non-interactively?

A: Yes—wrap main() to accept a CLI flag (e.g., --id) and pass it into the functions instead of input().

Q: Why are some image files missing?

A: If a quote fetch fails for that ID, no image is generated.

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Ελληνικά — Σύντομες οδηγίες

1. Εγκατάσταση βιβλιοθηκών:

pip install requests beautifulsoup4

2. Εκτέλεση:

python main.py

- 3. Όταν ζητηθεί, πληκτρολογήστε τον **Α.Μ.** σας.
- 4. Τα αποτελέσματα αποθηκεύονται σε quotes . j son και στον φάκελο quotes / (εικόνες PNG).

Παραμετροποίηση: - Αλλάξτε το όριο των IDs ([:50]), το μέγεθος εικόνας ([1200x200]), το fontSize=18], ή τα προεπιλεγμένα χρώματα ([000000], FFFFFF]) μέσα στις αντίστοιχες συναρτήσεις.