CS-UY 1114: Lab 8

Exceptions and Lists

You must get checked out by your lab CA prior to leaving early. **If you leave without being checked out, you will receive 0 credits for the lab.**

Restrictions

The Python structures that you use in this lab should be restricted to those you have **learned in lecture so far (topics learned in Rephactor may only be used if they have also been taught in lecture)**. Please check with your teaching assistants in case you are unsure whether something is or is not allowed!

Create a new python file for each of the following problems.

Your files should be named *lab[num]_q[num].py* similar to homework naming conventions.

Problem 1: *Exceptions Galore*

Write the outputs of the following code snippets by hand.

(a) Write the expected output if `data.txt` exists and also the output if `data.txt` does not exist.

```
def some_func():
    try:
        file = open("data.txt", "r")
        print(file.readline())
        file.close()
    except FileNotFoundError:
          print("data.txt not found.")
     finally:
          print("Finally.")


some_func()
```

(b) The contents of `nums.txt` is as follows:

```
5
3
4
4
3
1
2
2
```

The contents of `nums2.txt` is as follows:

```
1
2
3
4
```

Assume both files exist for the following:

```
def calc_val():
    # Opening the files
    try:
        nums_file = open("nums.txt", "r")
    except FileNotFoundError:
        print("nums.txt cannot be found.")
        return False

    try:
        nums2_file = open("nums2.txt", "r")
    except FileNotFoundError:
        print("nums2.txt cannot be found.")
        return False

    for line in nums2_file:
        line = line.strip()
        nums_file.readline()
        nums_line = nums_file.readline().strip()

        print(int(line) * int(nums_line))

    nums_file.close()
    nums2_file.close()

    return True

was_operation_successful = calc_val()
print(was_operation_successful)
```

Problem 2: *Random Fusion!*

There's a mad scientist that just loves to put two random things together regardless of what the result will be.

That very scientist has tasked you with making a program that does exactly that. Given a list that contains strings and integers, he wants to get a random selection of two items in a list and then perform a fusion between the two (either addition or multiplication).

Break this program down into two functions.

- The first function `get_item()` will choose a random item from a list and return said item.
- The second function `fuse()` will get two random items from the list (calling the previous function) and then prompt the user to select the method of fusion (addition or multiplication). Just like the calculator problems we've done previously, this fuse function can run indefinitely until we prompt it to "quit"

Although the mad scientist is paying us good money and we want to make his desired program, we know that we can't exactly perform certain operations between strings and integers. Implement **exception handling** when performing these fusion operations.

An example list can be as such:

```
fusion_components = ["cat", 5, 4, "fish", 7, 9, "dog"]
```

Possible outputs of the program can look like this;

```
Hit enter to continue and Q to quit performing fusion:
Enter the fusion operation (+, *): +
The result of addition with 9 and 9 is: 18
```

```
Hit enter to continue and Q to quit performing fusion:
Enter the fusion operation (+, *): *
The result of multiplication with fish and 5 is:
fishfishfishfishfish
```

```
Hit enter to continue and Q to quit performing fusion:
Enter the fusion operation (+, *): +
You can't fuse cat and 5 with addition!
```

Hint: Think about these when creating your exceptions:

- **Can you add a string and an integer?**
- **Multiply a string and a string?**

Problem 3: *Lists, Lists, Lists!*

Write the outputs of the following code snippets by hand.

```
print([3 * 4] + [2, 8])
```

```
char_lst = ['A', 'B', 'C']
char_lst[-1] = 'D'
print(char_lst * 2)
```

```
word_lst = ["first", "second"]
word_lst.insert(1, "middle")
print(word_lst)
word_lst.remove("middle")
word_lst += word_lst
print(word_lst[1::2])
```

```
my_lst1 = [1, 2, 3]
my_lst2 = []
for i in range(3):
   my_lst2.append(my_lst1[i] ** 2)
print(my_lst2)
```

```
result_lst = []
for i in range(2, 5):
    for j in range(3):
        result_lst.append(i * j)
print(result_lst)
```

Problem 4: *Pick A Word, Any Word!*

Write a program that prints out a random word in a file. You should have a function with the following signature: `get_random_word(filepath)` where filepath is a string containing the path to the file. You may assume each word will be separated by a space character, and you may ignore all punctuation. This function will open a file, read the contents, and finally return a random word from it.

For testing, create a file called `words.txt` in the same folder as your program, and write something in the file. You can put the lyrics to a song, or a transcript of a speech, or part of a book, or write your own words. Make sure you have multiple lines with multiple words in each line. Your code should work with the following main function:

```
def main():
    print(get_random_word("words.txt"))

if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

Hints:

- Read the file line by line, and create a list of words for each line (which method can you use to convert a string into a list?)
- For each line, after getting the list of words, add each of those words into a larger list that keeps track of every word in the file (how do you combine 2 lists?)
- After reading the entire file, you will have a list containing every word in the file. Now you just need to return a random word from that list (how do you get a

random item from a list?)

Problem 5: *Now You're Doing The CS Student Shuffle*

We'll start with another question from pedagogical programming's great canon: the list shuffle.

1. The first, `shuffle_create()`, will accept one list parameter and return a new list with the same elements from the list that was passed in, but shuffled in any random order.
2. The second, `shuffle_in_place()`, will accept one list parameter and shuffle its elements in-place (that is, it does not create a new list) in any random order.

See the sample behavior below:

```
def main():
    list_one = ["Jean Valjean", "Javert", "Fantine", "Cosette", "Marius Pontmercy",
"Eponine", "Enjolras"]
    print("ORIGINAL LIST_ONE: {}".format(list_one))

    # First function execution
    print("LIST CREATED BY SHUFFLE_CREATE: {}\n".format(shuffle_create(list_one)))

    list_two = ["A", 0, 0, 5, 1, 3, 2]
    print("ORIGINAL LIST_TWO: {}".format(list_two))

    # Second function execution
    shuffle_in_place(list_two)
    print("LIST_TWO AFTER SHUFFLE_IN_PLACE: {}".format(list_two))

main()
```

A possible output (since the behavior is pseudo-random):

```
ORIGINAL LIST_ONE: ['Jean Valjean', 'Javert', 'Fantine',
'Cosette', 'Marius Pontmercy', 'Eponine', 'Enjolras']
LIST CREATED BY SHUFFLE_CREATE: ['Enjolras', 'Fantine', 'Jean
Valjean', 'Eponine', 'Cosette', 'Javert', 'Marius Pontmercy']

ORIGINAL LIST_TWO: ['A', 0, 0, 5, 1, 3, 2]
LIST_TWO AFTER SHUFFLE_IN_PLACE: [0, 1, 2, 'A', 5, 3, 0]
```

Some explanation as to what qualifies as a "shuffle" is probably in order. For `shuffle_create`, it may be worth considering the use of `random` and list functions, such as `randrange`/`randint`, `pop`, and `append`. That is, taking elements randomly from your original list, and adding them to your new list, which of course starts empty.

For shuffling in place, it's worth remembering what in-place actually *means*. We're **not** creating a new list, but rather editing the original list. In other words, we're replacing the element at index ***x*** with the element at index ***y***. Think about how to achieve this until none of the elements from the original list are in the same place as they were before.

Restrictions

- You may not use the `shuffle` method from the `random` module
- You may not use the `sample` method

Problem 6: *Financial Literacy Cheat Sheet*

As a means of improving your financial skills, you've been keeping track of your overall profits and losses per week. Now, as the next step in your path to becoming more financially responsible, you'd like to organize your data and get some overall info about it.

Your program, given a list of integers, will organize the data so subsequent weeks of profits are grouped together and subsequent weeks of losses are grouped together. This means your program will be creating a list of lists where each element list represents a continuous period of profit or loss. Complete this task in the function `organize_into_profits_losses(lst)` where `lst` is a list of integers. `organize_into_profits_losses(lst)` will return a list of lists.

Then, your program will **output** some general information about your spending habits the last few weeks including:

- How many times you've had a streak of only profits
- How many times you've had a streak of only losses
- Total balance at the end
- A conclusion on your financial habits

If the balance is negative or 0, the conclusion should encourage us to spend less. If the balance is positive, the conclusion should encourage you to maintain your current financial behavior. Complete this task in the function `def spending_statistics(lst_lsts)`. This function will ***not*** return anything.

The following is an example of a possible output:

```
Here are your spending habits over the last few weeks: [[1, 4],
[-2], [3], [-3, -5], [3]]
You have had 3 periods of subsequent profit.
You have had 2 periods of subsequent losses.
Total balance: 1
You're doing great! Keep it up!
```

You can use the following main definition to test your code:

```
def main():
    weeks_lst = [1, 4, -2, 3, -3, -5, 3]
    organized_weeks_lst = organize_into_profits_losses(weeks_lst)
    print("Here are your spending habits over the last few weeks:",
organized_weeks_lst)
    spending_statistics(organized_weeks_lst)
```

Constraints: You can assume you have at least *one* week in your list.