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ESTIMATED TIME TO COMPLETE: 18 minutes

This problem will ask a series of questions about generators.

1. Thinking about the `genPrimes` generator from the last problem, which of the following can be done only by using a generator, instead of defining a function (that uses any type of construct we've learned about, except generators)?

- ☐ Return 1000000 prime numbers
- ☐ Print every 10th prime number, until you've printed 20 of them
- ☐ Keep printing the prime number until the user stops the program
- ☒ Everything that can be done with generator can be done with a function



2. Every procedure that has a `yield` statement is a generator.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False



3. If a procedure has only one `yield` statement, but that statement will never be executed, then the procedure is not a generator.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False



4. If we were to use a generator to iterate over a million numbers, how many numbers do we need to store in memory at once?

- ☐ 1
- ☒ 2
- ☐ 1000
- ☐ 1000000
- ☐ Don't need to store anything in memory



For the following tasks, would it be best to use a generator, a standard function, or either?

1. Finding the nth Fibonacci number

☐ Generator

☒ Standard function

☐ Either a generator or standard function is fine



2. Printing out an unbounded sequence of Fibonacci numbers

☒ Generator

☐ Standard function

☐ Either a generator or standard function is fine



3. Printing out a bounded sequence of prime numbers, where the prime numbers are successively computed by division by smaller primes

☐ Generator

☐ Standard function

☒ Either a generator or standard function is fine



4. Printing out an unbounded sequence of prime numbers, where the prime numbers are successively computed by division by smaller primes

☒ Generator

☐ Standard function

☐ Either a generator or standard function is fine



5. Finding the score of a word from the 6.00x Word Game of Pset 4

☐ Generator

☒ Standard function

☐ Either a generator or standard function is fine



6. Iterating over a sequence of numbers in a random order, where no number is repeated

☐ Generator

☒ Standard function

☐ Either a generator or standard function is fine



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Can anyone explain more about these?

I pretty much guessed and checked on 100% of these questions and don't really understand generators any better or yield. 1. Why d...

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Galois counter can produce a non-repeating random sequence in a generator.

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