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These 3 keywords can be confused pretty easily. Since we are using them a lot in [A tour of Nix](#) we need to introduce them properly.

With

A with-expression, introduces the `set e1` into the lexical scope of the `expression e2`.

```
let
  as = { x = "foo"; y = "bar"; };
in
  with as; x + y
```

Import

Load, parse and return the Nix expression in the file path. `import` implements Nix's module system: you can put any Nix expression (such as a set or a function) in a separate file, and use it from Nix expressions in other files.

```
rec {
  x = 123;
  y = import ./foo.nix;
}
```

Inherit

The `inherit` keyword causes the specified `attributes` to be bound to whatever attributes with the same name happen to be in scope.

```
let
  x = 123;
in
{
  inherit x;
  y = 456;
}
```

`inherit` takes one or more arguments.

Do this:

- make it work!

Note: See video [@youtube](#)

```
1 let
2   myImport = import <nixpkgs> {};
3   x = 123;
4   as = { a = "foo"; b = "bar"; };
5
```

```
6 in with as; {  
7   inherit x; #example  
8   #fix line below: we want a and b in this scope  
9   inherit X;  
10  #also fix this line  
11  z = XXX.lib.isBool true;  
12 }  
13
```

reset

solution

run

```
let  
  myImport = import <nixpkgs> {};  
  x = 123;  
  as = { a = "foo"; b = "bar"; };  
  
in with as; {  
  inherit x;  
  inherit a b;  
  z = myImport.lib.isBool true;  
}
```