# **Task**

The company you work for has been organizing an annual programming competition for 50 years. On this occasion, they want to send souvenirs to those participants who took part for at least three consecutive years at any point in the competition's history.

Your task is to find all such participants.

You are given a table participation with the following structure:

```
create table participation (
          name varchar(30) not null,
          year int not null,
          unique (name, year)
);
```

Each record in this table contains a "name" for each participant and the "year" in which they participated.

Write an SQL query that returns a table containing one column,

"name". Each record should contain the name of a participant who took part for at least three years in a row. The result table should be sorted alphabetically by the "name" column.

#### Examples:

1. Given table:

+	+
name	year
+	+
John	2003
Lyla	1994
Faith	1996
John	2002
Carol	2000
Carol	1999
John	2001
Carol	2002
Lyla	1996
Lyla	1997
Carol	2001
John	2009
+	+

your query should return:

+		+
	name	
+-		+
(	Carol	
	John	
+		+

Carol participated for four years in a row: 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002. John participated for three years in a row: 2001, 2002, 2003. Note that John also participated in 2009, but this does not count as part of the streak. Lyla participated in 1994, 1996 and 1997 but these were not three consecutive years. Faith participated only once.

### 2. Given table:

+	+
name	year   
Kerry	1980
Kerry	1981
Kerry	1983
Blair	1983
Blair	1982
Blair	1981
+	+

your query should return:

```
+----+
| name |
+----+
| Blair |
```

Note that Kerry skipped participation in 1982 and thus cannot receive a souvenir.

## 3. Given table:

+	++   year   ++
Leigh Raylee Alex Alex Raylee Raylee Leigh Alex Leigh	1999   1980   1983   1981   1982   1978   2001   1985
+	++

Your query should return:

```
+----+
| name |
+----+
```

Each participant participated every second year.

Assume that:

 column year contains only integers within the range [1970..2020].

## **Solution:**

```
-- Implement your solution here
WITH count1 AS (
    SELECT *, year - ROW_NUMBER() OVER (PARTITION BY name ORDER BY year) AS grp
    FROM participation
), count2 AS (
    SELECT *, COUNT(*) OVER (PARTITION BY name, grp) AS grp_count
    FROM count1
)
SELECT DISTINCT name
FROM count2
WHERE grp_count >= 3
ORDER BY name
```

#### Compilation successful.

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Example test: (First example test.)
Returned value:
+-----+
| Carol |
| John |
+-----+
OK

Example test: (Second example test.)
Returned value:
+-----+
| Blair |
+-----+
OK

Example test: (Third example test.)
Returned value:
OK
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Your test case:
insert into participation values ('John', 2003);
insert into participation values ('Lyla', 1994);
insert into participation values ('Faith', 1996);
insert into participation values ('John', 2002);
insert into participation values ('Carol', 2000);
insert into participation values ('Carol', 1999);
insert into participation values ('John', 2001);
insert into participation values ('Carol', 2002);
insert into participation values ('Lyla', 1996);
insert into participation values ('Lyla', 1997);
insert into participation values ('Carol', 2001);
insert into participation values ('John', 2009);
Returned value:
+----+
| Carol |
  John |
```

Your code is syntactically correct and works properly on the example test. Note that the example tests are not part of your score. On submission at least 8 test cases not shown here will assess your solution.

