

Regular Expression Practice Questions

Question 1- Write a RegEx pattern in python program to check that a string contains only a certain set of characters (in this case a-z, A-Z and 0-9).

Answer:- import re

```
def is_valid_string(s):  
    pattern = re.compile(r'^[a-zA-Z0-9]+$')  
    if pattern.match(s):  
        return True  
    else:  
        return False  
  
# Test cases  
test_strings = ["shivakumar", "ram42", "shivram_!", "Example", "1234567890"]  
  
for s in test_strings:  
    result = is_valid_string(s)  
    print(f"'{s}' is valid: {result}")
```

Question 2- Write a RegEx pattern that matches a string that has an a followed by zero or more b's

Answer:- import re

```
def text_match(text):  
    patterns = '^a(b*)$'  
    if re.search(patterns, text):  
        return 'Found a match!'  
    else:  
        return('Not matched!')  
  
print(text_match("ab"))
```

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print(text_match("b"))
print(text_match("a"))
print(text_match("b"))
print(text_match("abb"))
```

Question 3- Write a RegEx pattern that matches a string that has an a followed by one or more b's

Answer:- import re

```
def match_pattern(s):
    pattern = re.compile(r'^1b+$')
    if pattern.match(s):
        return True
    else:
        return False

# Test cases
test_strings = ["a", "ab", "abb", "b", "abbbb", "aab", ]

for s in test_strings:
    result = match_pattern(s)
    print(f'"{s}" matches pattern: {result}')
```

Question 4- Write a RegEx pattern that matches a string that has an a followed by zero or one 'b'.

Answer:- import re

```
def match_pattern(s):
    pattern = re.compile(r'^ab?')

    if pattern.match(s):
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        return True
    else:
        return False

# Test cases
test_strings = ["b", "a", "c", "bb", "ab", ""]

for s in test_strings:
    result = match_pattern(s)
    print(f'"{s}" matches pattern: {result}')

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Question 5- Write a RegEx pattern in python program that matches a string that has an a followed by three 'b'.

Answer:- import re

```

def match_pattern(s):
    # Define the regular expression pattern
    pattern = re.compile(r'^ab{3}$')

    if pattern.match(s):
        return True
    else:
        return False

# Test cases
test_strings = ["b", "ab", "abb", "abbb", "abbbb", "a", "aab", "abbb"]

for s in test_strings:

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```
result = match_pattern(s)

print(f'"{s}" matches pattern: {result}')
```

Question 6- Write a RegEx pattern in python program that matches a string that has an 'a' followed by two to three 'b'.

Answer:- import re

```
def match_pattern(s):

    pattern = re.compile(r'^ab{2,3}$')

    if pattern.match(s):

        return True

    else:

        return False


# Test cases

test_strings = ["b", "ab", "abb", "abbb", "abbbb", "a", "abb", "abbb"]

for s in test_strings:

    result = match_pattern(s)

    print(f'"{s}" matches pattern: {result}')
```

Question 7- Write a Python program that matches a string that has an 'a' followed by anything, ending in 'b'.

Answer:- import re

```
def match_pattern(s):

    pattern = re.compile(r'^a.*b$')

    if pattern.match(s):

        return True

    else:
```

```
    return False
```

```
# Test cases
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```
test_strings = ["axb", "bab", "a56b", "?abb", "b", "a", "abbb", "rushab", "axyz"]
```

```
for s in test_strings:
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    result = match_pattern(s)
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```
    print(f'"{s}" matches pattern: {result}')
```

Question 8- Write a RegEx pattern in python program that matches a word at the beginning of a string.

Answer:- import re

```
def match_word_at_start(s):
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    pattern = re.compile(r'^\w+')
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    match = pattern.match(s)
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    if match:
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        return match.group()
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    else:
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        return None
```

```
# Test cases
```

```
test_strings = ["python is good", "123 go", "india is big country", "Special#characters!"]
```

```
for s in test_strings:
```

```
    result = match_word_at_start(s)
```

```
    print(f'"{s}" -> "{result}"')
```

Question 9- Write a RegEx pattern in python program that matches a word at the end of a string.

Answer:- import re

```

def match_word_at_end(s):
    pattern = re.compile(r'\b\w+$')

    match = pattern.search(s)
    if match:
        return match.group()
    else:
        return None

# Test cases
test_strings = ["shivakumar heggannavar", "ramu patil", "top model", "rajesh desai",
"###9ramesh!patil"]

for s in test_strings:
    result = match_word_at_end(s)
    print(f"'{s}' -> '{result}'")

```

Question 10- Write a RegEx pattern in python program to find all words that are 4 digits long in a string.

Sample text- '01 0132 231875 1458 301 2725.'

Expected output- ['0132', '1458', '2725']

Answer:- import re

```

def find_four_digit_words(s):
    # Define the regular expression pattern
    pattern = re.compile(r'\b\d{4}\b')

    return pattern.findall(s)

```

```
# Test string
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text = '01 0132 231875 1458 301 2725.'
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# Find all four-digit words
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four_digit_words = find_four_digit_words(text)
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print("Four-digit words:", four_digit_words)
```