

STAT 243 PS3

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1 c)

In the “Best Practices for Scientific Computing” article, the authors claim that writing code in the highest level language possible is preferred even when the final product will need to be written in a lower-level language. They claim this is because higher level languages require fewer lines of code, and the program can later be rewritten in a lower-level language. I do not agree that this will be faster overall because although you may spend more time coding in a lower-level language if you start with that language than you would if you were simply transposing from a higher level language, I don’t think the time saved by transposing would equal the amount of time necessary to write the program in the higher level language. There are other arguments in favor of coding in a high level first, and only switching to a low level if necessary, but I do not think time savings is one of them.

2 a)

The following code downloads the full text and creates a character vector with each element corresponding to a different play. I skip the Comedy of Errors.

```
#download the full text file
fulltext = readLines("http://www.gutenberg.org/cache/epub/100/pg100.txt")

#extract overall start and end points for the plays
start_point = which(!is.na(str_extract(fulltext, "1603")))
end_point = which(!is.na(str_extract(fulltext, "We were dissever'd"))) + 2

#create char vector with only plays
all_plays = fulltext[start_point:end_point]

#mark characters' speeches with '##'
all_plays = str_replace_all(all_plays, "~ {2}([A-Z])", "##\\1")
#remove many stage directions
all_plays = str_replace_all(all_plays, " {2}((Enter)|(Exit)|(Re-enter)|(Exeunt)).*$", "")

#separate individual plays using "THE END"
Play_ends = c(0, which(!is.na(str_extract(all_plays, "THE END"))))

Create_Play_Vec <- function(all_plays, Play_ends){
  #this function takes a char vector with every line a row (all_plays) and returns a char
  #vector with every row a separate play using the endpoints denoted by Play_ends
  char_vec = character(length(Play_ends) - 1)
  for(i in 1:(length(Play_ends)-1)){
    if(i==1){
      char_vec[i] = paste0(all_plays[Play_ends[i]:Play_ends[i+1]], collapse = ' ')
    }
    else if(i==4){
      #for some reason this play is formatted differently
      char_vec[i] = paste0(all_plays[(Play_ends[i]+2):Play_ends[i+1]], collapse = ' ')
    }
  }
}
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    else{
      char_vec[i] = paste0(all_plays[(Play_ends[i]+13):Play_ends[i+1]], collapse = ' ')
    }
  }
  #remove copyright tags
  char_vec = str_replace_all(char_vec, "<<TH[^>]+IP.>>", "")
  return(char_vec)
}

play_vec = Create_Play_Vec(all_plays, Play_ends)
rm(fulltext)
#remove comedy of errors
play_vec = play_vec[-4]
substring(play_vec, 1, 55)

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## [1] "1603 ALLS WELL THAT ENDS WELL by William Shakespeare "
## [2] " 1607 THE TRAGEDY OF ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA by Willi"
## [3] " 1601 AS YOU LIKE IT by William Shakespeare DRA"
## [4] " 1608 THE TRAGEDY OF CORIOLANUS by William Shakespe"
## [5] " 1609 CYMBELINE by William Shakespeare Dramatis"
## [6] " 1604 THE TRAGEDY OF HAMLET, PRINCE OF DENMARK b"
## [7] " 1598 THE FIRST PART OF KING HENRY THE FOURTH by "
## [8] " 1598 SECOND PART OF KING HENRY IV by William Sha"
## [9] " 1599 THE LIFE OF KING HENRY THE FIFTH by William "
## [10] " 1592 THE FIRST PART OF HENRY THE SIXTH by William"
## [11] " 1591 THE SECOND PART OF KING HENRY THE SIXTH by W"
## [12] " 1591 THE THIRD PART OF KING HENRY THE SIXTH by Wi"
## [13] " 1611 KING HENRY THE EIGHTH by William Shakespeare"
## [14] " 1597 KING JOHN by William Shakespeare DRAMATIS"
## [15] " 1599 THE TRAGEDY OF JULIUS CAESAR by William Sh"
## [16] " 1606 THE TRAGEDY OF KING LEAR by William Shakes"
## [17] " 1595 LOVE'S LABOUR'S LOST by William Shakespeare"
## [18] " 1606 THE TRAGEDY OF MACBETH by William Shakespe"
## [19] " 1605 MEASURE FOR MEASURE by William Shakespeare "
## [20] " 1597 THE MERCHANT OF VENICE by William Shakespear"
## [21] " 1601 THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR by William Shakes"
## [22] " 1596 A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM by William Shakesp"
## [23] " 1599 MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING by William Shakespe"
## [24] " 1605 THE TRAGEDY OF OTHELLO, MOOR OF VENICE by W"
## [25] " 1596 KING RICHARD THE SECOND by William Shakesp"
## [26] " 1593 KING RICHARD III by William Shakespeare Dr"
## [27] " 1595 THE TRAGEDY OF ROMEO AND JULIET by William "
## [28] "1594 THE TAMING OF THE SHREW by William Shakespea"
## [29] " 1612 THE TEMPEST by William Shakespeare DRAMAT"
## [30] " 1608 THE LIFE OF TIMON OF ATHENS by William Shake"
## [31] " 1594 THE TRAGEDY OF TITUS ANDRONICUS by William S"
## [32] " 1602 THE HISTORY OF TROILUS AND CRESSIDA by Willi"
## [33] " 1602 TWELFTH NIGHT; OR, WHAT YOU WILL by William"
## [34] " 1595 THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA by William Shakesp"
## [35] " 1611 THE WINTER'S TALE by William Shakespeare "

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b)

The following code takes the character vector constructed above and turns each play into an object which has the title, number of acts, scenes, year produced, and the text of the body.

```
Play <- function(Title = NULL, Acts = 5, Scenes = NULL, Characters = NULL, Year = NULL, Body = NULL){  
  #defines a class for a play (all Shakespeare plays should have 5 acts)  
  obj = list(Title = Title, Acts = Acts, Scenes = Scenes, Characters = Characters, Year = Year, Body = Body)  
  class(obj) <- 'Play'  
  return(obj)  
}  
  
#extract years of plays  
years = str_extract(play_vec, "[0-9]{4} ")  
#extract titles of plays  
titles = str_extract(play_vec, "[0-9] [A-Z ,';]+")  
titles = str_replace(titles, "[0-9 ]+", "")  
#extract number of scenes  
scenes = str_count(play_vec, "S[cC][eE][nN][eE]")  
#extract body of each play  
body = str_extract(play_vec, "ACT.*THE END")  
body = sapply(body, str_replace, "THE END", "#THE END")  
  
#construct a list of all plays  
plays = list()  
for(i in 1:length(play_vec)){  
  plays[[i]] <- Play(Title=titles[i], Scenes = scenes[i], Year=years[i], Body = body[i])  
}  
plays[[2]]  
  
## $Title  
## [1] "THE TRAGEDY OF ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA "  
##  
## $Acts  
## [1] 5  
##  
## $Scenes  
## [1] 43  
##  
## $Characters  
## NULL  
##  
## $Year  
## [1] "1607 "  
##  
## $Body  
## ACT I. SCENE I. Alexandria. CLEOPATRA'S palace Enter DEMETRIUS and PHILO ##PHILO. Nay, but this
```

c)

The following code takes the objects created above and adds to them by extracting each chunk of spoken text.

```
Get_speech <- function(play){  
  #this function takes a play object and returns the chunks of speech text  
  
  #use the '#' markers to extract the chunks from the body string  
  chunks = str_extract_all(play$Body, "#[A-Z a-z]+\\.*?#")  
  #get the speaker for each chunk  
  chunknames = str_extract_all(chunks, "#[A-Z a-z]+\\.")  
  
  #remove extraneous symbols  
  chunks = sapply(chunks, str_replace_all, "#[A-Z a-z]+\\. ", "")  
  chunknames = sapply(chunknames, str_replace_all, "#", "")  
  chunknames = str_replace_all(chunknames, "\\.", "")  
  
  #remove more stage directions  
  chunks = str_replace_all(chunks, "\\[[^\\]]+\\]", "")  
  
  return(list(names = chunknames, text = chunks))  
}  
  
#extract the spoken chunks for each play  
for(i in 1:length(plays)){  
  plays[[i]]$Chunks = Get_speech(plays[[i]])  
}  
print(c(plays[[4]]$Chunks$names[50], plays[[4]]$Chunks$text[50]))
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## [1] "MARCIVS"
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## [2] " He that will give good words to thee will flatter Beneath abhorring. What would you have, y
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d)

The following code calculates many different statistics for each play and displays a summary of some of these statistics.

```
Calculate_Stats <- function(play){  
  #This function takes a play object and calculates many statistics for that play and then  
  #returns the modified object  
  
  #extract all speakers from play  
  play$Characters = unique(play$Chunks$names)  
  #count the number of unique speakers  
  num_char = length(play$Characters)  
  
  num_chunks = length(play$Chunks$text)  
  #calculate number of sentences  
  num_sent = sapply(str_extract_all(play$Chunks$text, "[\\.\\.\\?\\!]+"), length)  
  num_sent = sum(num_sent)  
  
  #count number of words, and get average number per chunk  
  words = str_extract_all(play$Chunks$text, "[\\w']+")  
  num_words = sum(sapply(words, length))
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avg_words = num_words/num_chunks

#count the number of unique words
num_un_words = length(unique(unlist(words)))

#store all the statistics in the Play object
play$Stats = list(Num_Speakers = num_char, Num_Chunks = num_chunks, Num_Sentences =
                  num_sent, Num_Words = num_words, Avg_Words_Chunk = avg_words,
                  Num_Unique_Words = num_un_words)

return(play)
}

#calculate statistics for each play
plays = lapply(plays, Calculate_Stats)

summary.Play <- function(play){
  #this function defines what should be printed when a summary of a Play is requested
  print.noquote(play$Title)
  print.noquote(paste("  Number of Acts:", play$Acts, " Number of Scenes:", play$Scenes))
  print.noquote(paste("  Number of unique speakers:", play$Stats$Num_Speakers))
  print.noquote(paste("  Number of spoken chunks:", play$Stats$Num_Chunks))
}

#print the summary statistics for each play
invisible(lapply(plays, summary))

## [1] ALLS WELL THAT ENDS WELL
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 24
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 23
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 933
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 43
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 59
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1172
## [1] AS YOU LIKE IT
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 23
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 27
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 807
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF CORIOLANUS
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 30
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 62
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1105
## [1] CYMBELINE
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 28
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 40
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 856
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF HAMLET, PRINCE OF DENMARK
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 21
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 33
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1119
## [1] THE FIRST PART OF KING HENRY THE FOURTH
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5  Number of Scenes: 20
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 35
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 755

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## [1] SECOND PART OF KING HENRY IV
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 20
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 49
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 901
## [1] THE LIFE OF KING HENRY THE FIFTH
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 24
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 48
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 717
## [1] THE FIRST PART OF HENRY THE SIXTH
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 28
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 53
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 647
## [1] THE SECOND PART OF KING HENRY THE SIXTH
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 25
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 67
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 791
## [1] THE THIRD PART OF KING HENRY THE SIXTH
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 29
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 47
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 816
## [1] KING HENRY THE EIGHTH
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 18
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 48
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 704
## [1] KING JOHN
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 17
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 27
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 548
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF JULIUS CAESAR
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 19
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 48
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 793
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF KING LEAR
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 27
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 23
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 1062
## [1] LOVE'S LABOUR'S LOST
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 10
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 19
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 1044
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF MACBETH
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 30
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 44
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 644
## [1] MEASURE FOR MEASURE
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 18
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 23
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 895
## [1] THE MERCHANT OF VENICE
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 21
## [1]   Number of unique speakers: 25
## [1]   Number of spoken chunks: 633
## [1] THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR
## [1]   Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 24

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```

## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 28
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1018
## [1] A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 10
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 33
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 504
## [1] MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 18
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 23
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 955
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF OTHELLO, MOOR OF VENICE
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 16
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 27
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1181
## [1] KING RICHARD THE SECOND
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 20
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 36
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 552
## [1] KING RICHARD III
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 26
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 64
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1074
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF ROMEO AND JULIET
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 25
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 35
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 818
## [1] THE TAMING OF THE SHREW
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 15
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 27
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 816
## [1] THE TEMPEST
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 10
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 19
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 641
## [1] THE LIFE OF TIMON OF ATHENS
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 18
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 58
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 759
## [1] THE TRAGEDY OF TITUS ANDRONICUS
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 15
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 27
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 563
## [1] THE HISTORY OF TROILUS AND CRESSIDA
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 25
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 29
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 1141
## [1] TWELFTH NIGHT; OR, WHAT YOU WILL
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 19
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 21
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 921
## [1] THE TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 21
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 17
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 857

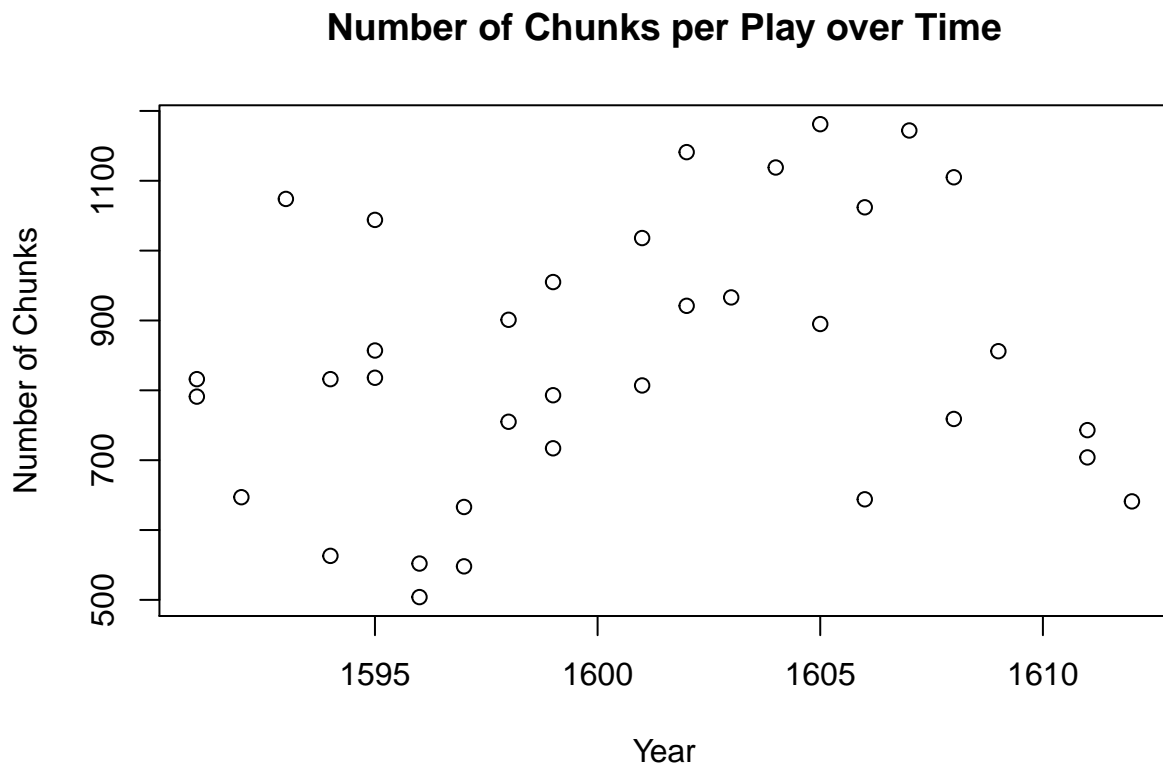
```

```
## [1] THE WINTER'S TALE
## [1]    Number of Acts: 5   Number of Scenes: 16
## [1]    Number of unique speakers: 34
## [1]    Number of spoken chunks: 743
```

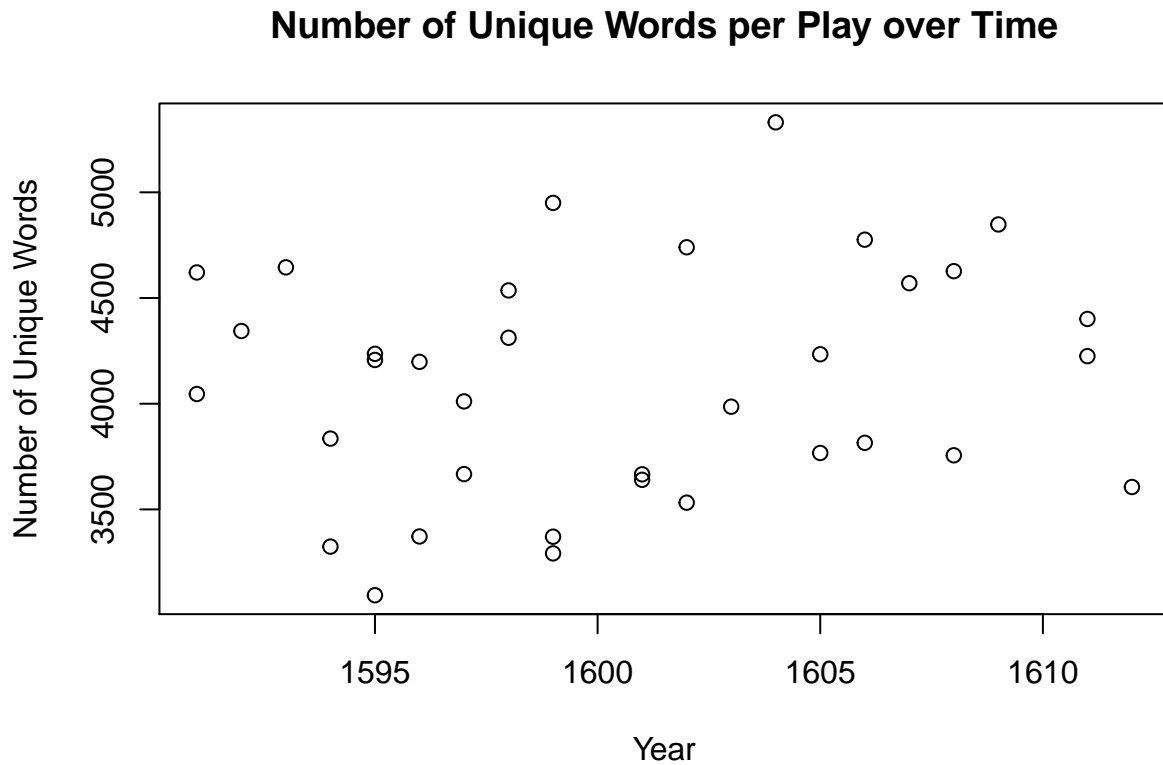
e)

The following plots show number of chunks per play over time, and the number of unique words per play over time. There do not seem to be any obvious trends to me. The strongest trend I saw was that the number of chunks seems to rise and then fall right at the end.

```
y = sapply(plays, function(play) return(play$Stats$Num_Chunks))
x = sapply(plays, function(play) return(as.numeric(play$Year)))
plot(x,y, main="Number of Chunks per Play over Time", xlab="Year", ylab="Number of Chunks")
```



```
y = sapply(plays, function(play) return(play$Stats$Num_Unique_Words))
x = sapply(plays, function(play) return(as.numeric(play$Year)))
plot(x,y, main="Number of Unique Words per Play over Time", xlab="Year", ylab="Number of Unique Words")
```

3 a)

I did somewhat use an object-oriented approach in terms of defining my own class for a play. The fields I used are title, year, acts, scenes, characters, chunks, full body, and statistics. The title is a character string. Acts and scenes simply contain an integer for the number of acts and scenes. Chunks contains the spoken chunks and speaker of each chunk in a list. The full body is one long character string of the body of the play. The statistics are a list of different statistics calculated for the play.

b)

The methods would be the functions I defined in my code: initialization function (Play), Get_Speech(), Calculate_Stats(), and summary(). Finally, I would also implement the plotting as a method as well.