Homework 1 - R

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Exercise 1: Making Vectors

Start by making a vector with the numbers 1 through 26. Multiply the vector by 2, and give the resulting vector names A through Z (hint: there is a built in vector called LETTERS)

Exercise 2: Matrix

- 1. Make a matrix containing the numbers 1:50, with 5 columns and 10 rows.
- 2. Make the matrix above fill your matrix by row, not by column (its default behaviour). (hint: read the documentation for matrix!)

Exercise 3: Data Frame

You can create a new data frame right from within R with the following syntax:

Make a data frame that holds the following information for yourself:

- first name
- last name
- lucky number

Then use **rbind** to add an entry for the people sitting beside you. Finally, use **cbind** to add a column with each person's answer to the question, "Is it time for coffee break?"

Exercise 4: Lists

Given the following list:

```
xlist <- list(a = "Software Carpentry", b = 1:10, data = head(iris))</pre>
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Using your knowledge of both list and vector subsetting, extract the **number 2** from xlist. Hint: the number 2 is contained within the "b" item in the list.

Exercise 5: Subsetting gapminder

Fix each of the following common data frame subsetting errors:

1. Extract observations collected for the year 1957

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gapminder[gapminder$year = 1957,]
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- 2. Extract all columns except 1 through to 4
 gapminder[,-1:4]
- Extract the rows where the life expectancy is longer the 80 years gapminder[gapminder\$lifeExp > 80]
- Extract the first row, and the fourth and fifth columns (lifeExp and gdpPercap).
 gapminder[1, 4, 5]
- 5. Advanced: extract rows that contain information for the years 2002 and 2007 gapminder[gapminder\$year == 2002 | 2007,]