Part 1:

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|  | Before the midsemester break | During the midsemester break | At the end of the midsemester break |
| I am comfortable I will be able to …. | Complete basic tasks on python  Write tests for my functions  Parse one data file using the template | Complete basic tasks on python | Complete basic tasks on python |
| I think I may struggle with ….. | Statistical analysis of the data - deciding what to do and how to do it | Parse one data file using the template  Write tests for my functions  Statistical analysis | Writing a code that works and will parse my data correctly  Write tests for my functions |
| I don’t think I’ll be able to ... | Documentation of processes and what not during the holidays – will do afterward | Documentation | Write my code in a way that will meet the expectations of the project |

**Part 2:**

Compare the same items across time…

**How well did you predict where you were at? Any surprises?**

* I overestimated my ability and motivation to get things done
* I underestimated the time and effort needed to complete parsing for one file – so much more work and skill needed than initially anticipated – don’t really know how to go about this
* I also did not realise how lost I was until the break was over and I had nothing

**How well did you anticipate your needs?**

* Not well – I overestimated my coding abilities and learning capacity
* Also started to lose motivation because I didn’t know what I was doing and needed help but felt like no one was asking anything.

**What did you learn about yourself and what might you change?**

* Through this whole entire process I learnt that I am stubborn and should ask for help when help is needed – process would have gone much more smoothly had I asked for help earlier

**Have you identified any specific needs for the second half of the semester?**

* Need to actually get something started and structured so that I can eventually analyse the data
* Don’t really understand how to go about structuring the data so that it is in a hierarchical format that reflects the template given to me by my supervisor
* Need to ask how to visualise the data – graphing etc.