

Library Management System – Assignment Question for Students

Problem Statement

You are required to develop a **Library Management System** in Python. The system should allow the librarian to:

1. Add new students
2. Add new books
3. Issue books to students for a limited number of days
4. Return the books
5. Automatically calculate a **fine** if the book is returned after the due date

This program should run in the **command-line/terminal** and should use **file handling** to permanently store data.

Part 1: Requirements

You must create and use the following files:

- `students.json` → stores all students
- `books.json` → stores all books
- `issued_books.json` → stores issued book details

These files must be created and updated automatically by your program using Python file handling.

Part 2: Functional Requirements

1. Add Student

- Input: Student ID and Student Name
 - Store them in `students.json`
 - If a student already exists, program should not duplicate entry
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2. Add Book

- Input: Book ID and Book Title
- Every new book must have:

- title
 - available status = True
 - Save data in `books.json`
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3. Issue Book to Student

- Ask Student ID
 - Ask Book ID
 - Check:
 - If student exists
 - If book exists
 - If book is already issued
 - Ask for number of days to issue (e.g., 5 days)
 - Store the following in `issued_books.json`:
 - student_id
 - issue_date
 - due_date
 - Use `datetime` module for date handling
 - When a book is issued → mark its `available = False` in `books.json`
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4. Return Book

- Ask Book ID
- Check if this book is issued
- Read issue information:
 - issued date
 - due date
 - student details
- Calculate fine:

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If book is returned after due date:  
    Fine = Rs. 10 per day  
Else:  
    No fine
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- After return:
 - Mark book as `available = True`
 - Remove that book entry from `issued_books.json`
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5. Exit Program

When user selects exit, the program should stop safely.

Part 3: Technical Requirements

Your program **MUST** use:

- ✓ Functions
 - ✓ File Handling (JSON read/write)
 - ✓ Exception Handling
 - ✓ Loops
 - ✓ Conditional Statements
 - ✓ `datetime` module for date calculation
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Part 4: Menu System

Your program must display the following menu repeatedly:

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===== LIBRARY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM =====
1. Add Student
2. Add Book
3. Issue Book
4. Return Book
5. Exit
=====
```

The user must be able to select any option until they choose Exit.

Part 5: Expected Output Examples

✓ **When issuing a book:**

```
Enter Student ID: 101
Enter Book ID: B1
Enter number of days: 5
Book issued successfully!
Due date: 2025-12-15
```

✓ **When returning a book:**

```
Enter Book ID: B1
Book Title: Python Basics
Issued to: Akshat
Due Date: 2025-12-15
Return Date: 2025-12-18
```

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! Book returned late by 3 days
  Fine to be paid: Rs. 30
Book returned successfully!
```

Part 6: BONUS TASK (Optional)

For extra marks (5 marks each):

- ✓ Add feature to display all books
 - ✓ Add feature to display all issued books
 - ✓ Add feature to search book by title
 - ✓ Add feature to list all students
 - ✓ Store fine history in a new file
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Part 7: Submission Requirements

Students must submit:

1. Python File → `library_system.py`
2. Screenshot of program output
3. All generated `.json` files
4. A short explanation (in 6–8 lines) about how the program works

Just tell me!