

▼ Homework 2

- Name of activity (Module 02 Exercise: Python)
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```
class Student:
    # fields: name, id, grades(a list)

    #Local variable
    grades = [] # initially empty

    def __init__(self, name, id): # constructor
        self.name = name
        self.id = id

    def addGrade(self, grade): # add the grade to the list of grades
        self.grades.append(grade)

    def showGrades(self): # displaying the grades
        grds = '' # empty string
        for grade in self.grades: # Loop through grades list
            grds += str(grade) + ' ' # assign each grade to the string grds
        return grds

student1 = Student('Jones', '123')
print(str(student1.name) + ', ' + str(student1.id)) # Output: Jones, 123
student1.addGrade(88)
student1.addGrade(72)
student1.addGrade(100)
print("Grades: " + student1.showGrades()) # showing grades for student1
# print(student1) # Will NOT work, since we do not have a "to-string" (__str__) method
# Output of the above line will be a memory address like:
#      <__main__.Student object at 0x00000220B8611BE0>

Jones, 123
Grades: 88 72 100
```

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# ** TO THINK ABOUT: **
# This is fine, however, what happens if you create a second Student object??
# Local ("global") variable grades (a list - which is a mutable object) will
# accumulate grades from ALL students... this behavior is not what we want.
# Uncomment lines 46-51 below and see what happens. How would you fix this??
# For now, the above file is fine for the above scenario.

# =====
s2 = Student('Clayton', '115')
print(str(s2.name) + ', ' + str(s2.id))
s2.addGrade(85)
s2.addGrade(95)
s2.addGrade(99)
print("Grades: " + s2.showGrades()) # !!!
# =====

    Clayton, 115
    Grades: 88 72 100 85 95 99

```

▼ Discussion:

The problem is that every new instance of `Student` shares access to the list of `grades` and thus no instance really has a unique record of grades. This can be solved by the following:

1. Derive new class `GradedStudent` that takes in `Student` as a base class
2. Add `self.grades = list(grades)` into the new constructor
3. When averaging the grades make sure to account for possibility of no grades, such as in case of a new student.

```

class GradedStudent(Student):

    def __init__(self, name, id, grades): # modified constructor
        Student.__init__(self, name, id)
        self.grades = list(grades)

    def average(self): # average the list of grades
        try:
            avg = sum(self.grades) / len(self.grades)
        except (IndexError, ZeroDivisionError): # if no grades yet, return 0
            avg = 0
        return avg

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return avg

```
def __str__(self): # string representation of the class
    result = "Graded student {} with ID {} has grades {} averaging {}".format(
        self.name, str(self.id), str(self.grades), str(self.average())
    )
    return result
```

```
gs = GradedStudent("Bob", 123, [33, 33, 22, 222])
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print(gs)
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Graded student Bob with ID 123 has grades [33, 33, 22, 222] averaging 77.5.
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another_gs = GradedStudent("Alice", 123, [777777, 888888, 99999])
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print(another_gs)
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Graded student Alice with ID 123 has grades [777777, 888888, 99999] averaging 588888.0.
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```
new_gs = GradedStudent("Cat", 2242, []) # new student without any grades yet
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print(new_gs)
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Graded student Cat with ID 2242 has grades [] averaging 0.
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new_gs.addGrade(44)
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new_gs.showGrades()
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'44'
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print(new_gs)
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Graded student Cat with ID 2242 has grades [44] averaging 44.0.
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