

replacing **import**  
with **accio**

muggle python

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**bootstrapping**

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Grammar

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3.0
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**import**

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`import x` is a  
statement

`__builtins__`

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clone cpython!



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`import_from`

`import_name: 'import' dotted_as_names`

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`import_name:`

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yo dawg I heard  
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**fin**