

## CAPSTONE PROJECT: File-Based To-Do App

You are building a simple command-line To-Do application.

Unlike normal programs, tasks must not disappear when the program closes.

All tasks must be saved in a file and loaded again when the app restarts.

This is how real apps maintain persistent data.

### ## What Students Will Use:

- Reading from files
- Writing to files
- Using functions for reusability
- Lists + loops + if-else
- Basic app design logic
- Real-world persistence concept

### ## File Design

All tasks will be stored in a text file: tasks.txt

Each line represents one task.

## ## Functional Requirements

You must implement the following functions:

### ### 1 load\_tasks()

- \* Reads tasks from `tasks.txt`
- \* Returns a list of tasks
- \* If file does not exist, return an empty list

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### ### 2 save\_tasks(tasks)

- \* Takes a list of tasks
- \* Writes them back to `tasks.txt`
- \* Each task on a new line

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### ### 3 add\_task(tasks)

- \* Ask user for a new task
- \* Add it to the list
- \* Save updated list to file

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### ### 4 view\_tasks(tasks)

- \* Display all tasks with numbering

- \* Handle empty list gracefully

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### ### 5 delete\_task(tasks)

- \* Ask user which task number to delete

- \* Remove it from list

- \* Save updated list to file

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## ## Menu System (Loop Required)

The app should repeatedly show:

```text

1. Add Task
2. View Tasks
3. Delete Task
4. Exit

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The program should run until user chooses Exit.

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## Example Interaction

```text

1. Add Task
2. View Tasks
3. Delete Task
4. Exit

Enter choice: 1

Enter task: Complete Python assignment

Task added successfully!

Enter choice: 2

1. Complete Python assignment

Enter choice: 4

Exiting application...

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## ## Rules for Students

- \* Do NOT use external libraries
- \* Do NOT use classes (functions only)
- \* Use file handling ('open', 'read', 'write')
- \* Use loops and if-else

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## Student Should Understand:

- \* Why files are needed
- \* Difference between memory vs disk
- \* This is similar to real apps (notes, reminders, logs)