Python Lists and Strings Coding Questions

**Total Marks:** 30  
(10 questions × 3 marks each)  
  
**Passing Marks:** 12  
**Excellent Marks:** 24 and above

**Difficulty Level:** Easy  
**Time:** 60 minutes

# Instructions

* Questions are marked based on difficulty:
* - Easy questions: 3 marks each
* - Medium questions: 5 marks each
* - Difficult questions: 10 marks each
* Write clean, well-commented code
* Include basic error handling where appropriate
* Test your code with the given test cases
* Bonus question is for extra practice and does not count towards total marks

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## 1: String Length Check [3 marks] Write a function `check\_string\_length(s)` that returns True if the string length is between 5 and 10 characters (inclusive), False otherwise.

Example:

Input: "Hello"  
Output: True  
  
Input: "Hi"  
Output: False

# Write your answer here

def check\_string\_length(s):

  if len(s) >= 5 and len(s)<=10:

    print('True')

  else:

    print('False')

check\_string\_length('Hi')

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 2: List Sum [3 marks] Write a function `sum\_list(numbers)` that takes a list of numbers and returns their sum. Handle empty lists by returning 0.

Example:

Input: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]  
Output: 15  
  
Input: []  
Output: 0

# Write your answer here

def sum\_list(\*numbers):

  sum1 = 0

  if len(numbers)>0:

    for i in numbers:

      sum1 = sum1 + i

    print(sum1)

  else:

    print(0)

sum\_list()

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 3: String Case Converter [3 marks] Write a function `convert\_case(s)` that converts a string to uppercase if it contains more uppercase letters, and lowercase if it contains more lowercase letters. If equal, return the original string.

Example:

Input: "HeLLo"  
Output: "HELLO"  
  
Input: "hello"  
Output: "hello"

# Write your answer here

def convert\_case(s):

  upper = 0

  lower = 0

  for i in s:

    if i.isupper():

      upper = upper + 1

    elif i.islower():

      lower = lower + 1

  if upper > lower:

    return s.upper()

  elif lower > upper:

    return s.lower()

  else:

    return s

convert\_case('hello')

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 4: List Duplicate Remover [3 marks] Write a function `remove\_duplicates(lst)` that removes duplicate elements from a list while preserving the order of first occurrence.

Example:

Input: [1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5]  
Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]  
  
Input: ["apple", "banana", "apple", "cherry"]  
Output: ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]

# Write your answer here

def remove\_duplicates(lst):

  l1 = []

  for i in lst:

    if i not in l1:

      l1.append(i)

  return l1

remove\_duplicates(["apple", "banana", "apple", "cherry"])

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 5: String Word Counter [3 marks] Write a function `count\_words(s)` that counts the number of words in a string. Words are separated by spaces.

Example:

Input: "Hello world"  
Output: 2  
  
Input: "This is a test sentence"  
Output: 5

# Write your answer here

def count\_words(s):

  l1 = s.split(" ")

  return len(l1)

count\_words('This is a test sentence')

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 6: List Even Numbers [3 marks] Write a function `get\_even\_numbers(lst)` that returns a new list containing only the even numbers from the input list.

Example:

Input: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8]  
Output: [2, 4, 6, 8]  
  
Input: [1, 3, 5, 7]  
Output: []

# Write your answer here

def get\_even\_numbers(lst):

  return [i for i in lst if i%2 == 0]

get\_even\_numbers([1,3,5,7])

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 7: String Reverser [3 marks] Write a function `reverse\_string(s)` that reverses a string without using the built-in reverse() method.

Example:

Input: "hello"  
Output: "olleh"  
  
Input: "python"  
Output: "nohtyp"

# Write your answer here

def reverse\_string(s):

  return s[::-1]

reverse\_string('hello')

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 8: List Element Counter [3 marks] Write a function `count\_element(lst, element)` that counts how many times a specific element appears in a list.

Example:

Input: lst = [1, 2, 2, 3, 2, 4], element = 2  
Output: 3  
  
Input: lst = ["a", "b", "a", "c", "a"], element = "a"  
Output: 3

# Write your answer here

def count\_element(lst,element):

  return lst.count(element)

count\_element([1, 2, 2, 3, 2, 4],2)

Answer:

# Write your answer here

## 9: String Vowel Counter [3 marks] Write a function `count\_vowels(s)` that counts the number of vowels (a, e, i, o, u) in a string, ignoring case.

Example:

Input: "Hello World"  
Output: 3  
  
Input: "Python Programming"  
Output: 4

# Write your answer here

def count\_vowels(s):

  vowels = ['a','e','i','o','u']

  count = 0

  for i in s:

    if i.lower() in vowels:

      count = count +1

  return count

count\_vowels('Hello World')

Answer:

# Write your answer here

# Bonus Challenge [Extra Practice]

[Extra Practice]  
Write a function `is\_anagram(s1, s2)` that checks if two strings are anagrams of each other.   
An anagram is a word formed by rearranging the letters of another word, using all the original letters exactly once. For example, "listen" and "silent" are anagrams because they contain the same letters in different order.

Example:

Input: s1 = "listen", s2 = "silent"  
Output: True  
  
Input: s1 = "hello", s2 = "world"  
Output: False

# Write your answer here

def is\_anagram(s1,s2):

  if sorted(s1) == sorted(s2):

    return True

  else:

    return False

is\_anagram('silent','listen')

Answer:

# Write your answer here

# Evaluation Criteria

* Correctness (50%)
* - Function works as expected (30%)
* - Handles edge cases correctly (20%)
* Code Readability (30%)
* - Clear variable names (10%)
* - Proper comments (10%)
* - Clean code structure (10%)
* Basic Error Handling (20%)
* - Input validation (10%)
* - Appropriate error messages (10%)

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