CSC 110: Introduction to Computer Programming Assignment 1

Possible Points: 25 points

Due Date: Check on our online Canvas class for more info

This homework has the following goals:

- Introduce you to basic Python programming
- Demonstrate the differences between using the interactive shell to carry commands out immediately and writing a function that allows you to do the same tasks
- Get you started using and evaluating internet resources for learning Python

Assignment Problems:

- 1. (5 points) Research on Internet for one helpful Python resource. Post your link to Python Resources Thread on our class discussion board, along with a brief discussion of why you chose this resource.
- 2. (10 points) Try doing a task (printing stars like this → *****) 3 different ways:
 - a. Use an <u>interactive Python session</u> (shell) to print out a line of 5 stars 10 times (so there will be 10 lines of output with each line containing 5 stars).
 Spoiler Alert, here is a hint, use only if needed: https://repl.it/repls/WholeHandyVolcano
 - b. Write a <u>function</u> that does the same thing as above, having each line printed individually.
 Spoiler Alert, here is a hint, use only if needed: https://repl.it/repls/BlushingSelfreliantScript
 - c. Write a <u>function</u> that <u>uses a loop</u> to do the same thing. Spoiler Alert, here is a hint, use only if needed: https://repl.it/repls/SuperbStrictCareware

List one advantage of each of the above three different ways of doing the same thing as you have demonstrated above.

3. (10 points) You have learned how to assign a value to a variable in Python:

For example, total = 0

It is easy to modify the value stored in a variable:

 $total = total + value \rightarrow$ now the value stored in sum is 10, if the variable value has 10

Use the loop index variable to write a program that will find the sum of all the numbers from 1 to 100

Hint#1: make use of built-in function: range; notice that when you use the construction: for value in range(10), value will go through all the integers from 0 to 9, so adjust your program accordingly. Hint#2: Spoiler Alert, here is a hint, use only if needed: https://repl.it/repls/MoccasinMindlessEmulators

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Details:

Gather all your solutions into a text (*.txt) document as show below.

It is a good idea to start adding comments to your Python code. A title comment at the top of Python Module, for example would look like:

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# Mary Smith
# CSC 110 Programming Assignment #1
# Date: 4/24/2020
# -----
# Solution for part 2A
# <Copy/Paste your code here>
# -----
# Solution for part 2B
# <Copy/Paste your code here>
# -----
# Solution for part 2C
# <Copy/Paste your code here>
# Your answer for: List one advantage of each of the above three different ways...
# -----
# Solution for part 3
# <Copy/Paste your code here>
# -----
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Turn In:

- 1. Post your Python resource link (for part 1) on the discussion topic on our Canvas class site
- 2. And, submit your responses to parts 2 and 3 by attaching a text document formatted as show above. If you need help with attaching a file when submitting an assignment, see this $\underline{\text{link}}$. In coming weeks, you will learn how to submit your Python programs as .py files (also referred as Python modules)