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we're used to imperative languages  
telling the computer to do stuff at each line

imperative languages (like C++ or Java) have support for  
passing functions

OCaml : functional programming language  
funtions are another type of data (can pass them like ints, floats, etc)

at OCaml website, go to learn section, the other tutorial is not great apparently

unit is kinda like a void

( don't have to declare types)  
ints and floats are not very compatile without casts  
add ints with +  
add floats with +.

OCaml variables are more like references (like Java and Python)  
not real variables like C

in interpreter  
let x = 5;; (\*for int\*)  
let x = 5.0;; (\*for float\*)

functions  
function g with parameter x

let g x = x + 5 ;;  
will return what type it is  
int -> int

if you return a constant let g x = 5 ;;  
then: a -> int

OCaml returns the value of the last statement executed in the program

function call  
g 6 ;;

don't need paratheses (style guide doesn't like them)

```
let g x y = x + y ;;
int -> int -> int
```

takes two integers returns an integer  
currying:  
not make a function that returns two parameters  
functions meant to take a single parameter  
takes a function that returns and int, returns a  
function that takes an int and returns and int

```
let g f x = f x ;;
('a -> 'b) -> 'a -> 'b
a and b are template parameters
```

for nested function calls probably use parantheses  
parantheses indicate a single argument DO NOT PARATHENSIZE THE ENTIRE LIST

recursive functions

```
let rec g x = g (x-1) ;;
not a good function, just an example
```

records ( like a struct ) :

```
type s =
{   x : int ;
    y : int ;
};;
```

equivalent in C to

```
struct S {
    int x;
    int y;
};
```

Recall enumerations :

```
Enum Color {
    Blue;
    Red;
```

```
    Yellow;
}
```

```
Color x = Blue;
```

Variants:

```
type basic_color =
  | Blue | Red | Yellow ;;
```

```
    first letter must be capatalized (because no idea)
    first letter of variant name must be lower case
```

```
list syntax : (singly linked list, must all be of the same type)
  [ element1; element2; element3 ] ;;
```

tuple : sequence of objects that do not need to be of the same type

```
ie tuple of three ints:
  int * int * int
  (5,6,5)
```

kinda acts like a Union too

```
type color =
  | Basic of basic_color * weight
  | RGB of int * int * int
  | Gray of int
;;
```

```
[RGB (250, 70, 70); Basic (Green, Regular)];;
```

can parametrize variant, see the homework spec

```
, indicates or (as below)
type ('nonterminal, 'terminal) =
```

```
more on lists
  have to be of same type
```

```
[5;6;5]
```

```
E::L
  appends E to head of L
```

checking if list contains 5:

```
let rec g l =
  match l with
  | [] -> false
  | h::t -> if h=5 then true else g t  (*any list of one or more elements*) SINGLE EQUALS IS TO CHECK EQUIVALENCE
;;
```

problem 1 from hw 1

mem is a function in list module (can also write a contains function as in above)

```
let rec subset a b =
  match a with
  | [] -> true
  | h::t -> if mem h b then subset t b else false
;;
```

```
modules :
  open List ;;
```

operators are just functions  
 (+ 5) is a function  
 ((=) 5)

problem 2 from hw 1  
 just do subset back and forth

```
let seteq ab =
  (subset a b) && (subset b a)
```

to test  
 # use "name.ml";; (\*that means actually write a # into interpreter\*)

go to OCaml websit and find the cheat sheets

```
Expr, [N Expr; N Binop; N Expr];
```

=> Expr -> E B E

Blind Alley : if you follow them, you can never resolve your work  
ie it can never reach a terminal

start with terminals and work upward (instead of down)  
can mark all the good rules  
whatever is left are blind alley rules