I have been working my way through a book (automate the boring stuff with python, it also has a good set of u tube tutorials) on Python (the book is Automate the boring stuff with python, it also has a good set of u tube tutorials). I am using a shell called IDLE python and Python version 3.5.1

I have come to a bit about third party modules. I am particularly interested in pyperclip

This is what it says:

## “Copying and Pasting Strings with the pyperclip Module

The pyperclip module has copy() and paste() functions that can send text to and receive text from your computer’s clipboard. Sending the output of your program to the clipboard will make it easy to paste it to an email, word processor, or some other software.

Pyperclip does not come with Python. To install it, follow the directions for installing third-party modules in Appendix A. After installing the pyperclip module, enter the following into the interactive shell:

>>> **import pyperclip**

This doesn’t work for me at the moment: my Python says pyperclip doesn’t exist, so I clearly have to import it

I get lost in Appendix A! It says I should use the python Package Index (PyPI) and software called pip which is apparently automatically in the Python version I have installed.

I find advice like “To use a package from this index either "[pip](https://pip.pypa.io/) install *package*" ([get pip](https://pip.pypa.io/en/latest/installing.html)) or download, unpack and "python setup.py install" it.

Another thing I find is:

“Some example, hopefully self-evident commands:

* $ pip install requests
* $ pip search xml
* $ pip show beautifulsoup4
* $ pip uninstall requests

Where do I use these commands? From within python? The commands above just give an invalid syntax error. I know that I can’t use IDLE for some of this.

I have been looking at :

<https://wiki.python.org/moin/CheeseShopTutorial>

but it’s all rather opaque stuff for me.

Can you help?