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Gerhard doesn't like computer science, but he is required to take it for his stats program. He knows that Michelle is a hard-core computer scientist, and that she is taking the same course. For the first assignment, Gerhard has no idea what to do. He asks Michelle to help, but she isn't done the assignment yet: her code is incomplete and buggy. Regardless, he asks Michelle to send him her code; half-working code is better than nothing, he thinks! Michelle knows it is wrong to send him any code at all, so what she does is change her code around a lot and then mail the code to Gerhard. Gerhard then makes a few more changes to the code and submits. Is academic integrity being maintained in this case?: No. One or more students are doing something unacceptable. [2]

Please explain the reasons for your choice. What was it in the case that helped lead you to your decision?: No, one or more students are doing something unaccepetable. Michelle shouldn't have sent her code to Gerhard no matter what. Instead she should've guided Gerhard in the correct direction.

Diane played a bit too much tetris over the past week, so her assignment is half-working but still has bugs. In particular, with certain inputs, her code gets stuck in an infinite loop. She can't figure out what's going on, so she asks her intelligent and overall charming but slightly quirky friend Dan to check her code. Dan reads some of Diane's code and helps Diane find the cause of the infinite loop. Diane works through the other bugs on her own and submits a working assignment. Is academic integrity being maintained in this case?: Yes. All students are being good. [1]

Please explain the reasons for your choice. What was it in the case that helped lead you to your decision?: Yes, all students are being good. Since Dan didn't physically change the code, but instead "helped" Dianne solve the issue on her own, therefore, academic integrity is being maintained in this case.

Sue decides that she will start the next assignment early, so that she has a lot of time to finish. But her friends keep calling her to run marathons, so days go by and she doesn't get a chance to start the assignment at all. The day before the deadline, she spots Michelle having lunch. Michelle is already finished the assignment. Sue sits next to Michelle and asks her how to do the assignment. Michelle knows that she probably shouldn't discuss her code with Sue, so instead she tells Sue exactly what to do without sharing any code. She says things like: OK. First you read the lines from the input file. Use readline for that. For each line, you want to find the comma. Use split for that. Then collect all of the pieces of the line... you should probably use a list. Sue remembers as much as possible, then runs home and writes code based on what Michelle said. Is academic integrity being maintained in this case?: Yes. All students are being good. [1]

Please explain the reasons for your choice. What was it in the case that helped lead you to your decision?: Yes, all students are being good since no code has been exchanged between the 2 students. Michelle only guides Sue in the correct direction, therefore, academic integrity is being maintained in this case.

Gerhard has an idea for how to solve a part of an assignment dealing with data compression. If he could find a way to remove all spaces from the string, the assignment functions would be so much easier to write. He searches through Python help and the textbook but can't find a way to do it. So, he asks on an online Q&A site called StackOverflow. He keeps the question general and unrelated to the assignment he is solving; all he wants to know is how to remove all spaces from a string. He gets some helpful responses, uses one in his submission, and includes a Python comment indicating that the bit of copied code was taken from the given website address. Is academic integrity being maintained in this case?: Yes. All students are being good. [1]

Please explain the reasons for your choice. What was it in the case that helped lead you to your decision?: Yes, all students are being good since Gerhard hasn't posted anything specific related to the assignment. He only posted a general question, and since

he also states the website(s) used, therefore, academic integrity is being maintained in this case.