

Homework #3 - Make a Magic 8 Ball Program

For this assignment, you will be writing a *Magic8Ball* class with the following:

- **A constructor (`__init__`) method:** The constructor will initialize a new *Magic8Ball* object from the passed list of all possible answers (`answer_set`).
 - Set ***answer_list*** to `answer_set` (the argument of the method).
 - Set ***question_history_list*** to an empty list. This will hold all the questions that have been asked.
 - Set ***answer_history_list*** to an empty list. This will hold the indices of all of the answers that have been generated.
- **`__str__` method:** It should return a string with all of the answers in ***answer_list*** separated by commas.
- **`get_random_answer` method:** This method randomly picks an answer from the ***answer_list***. It first randomly chooses an index and appends that index to the ***answer_history_list***. Then it returns the answer at the randomly picked index from ***answer_list***.
- **`shake` method:** The method takes a question and first checks if the question is already in the ***question_history_list***. If so, it returns a string, "I've already answered that question" Otherwise, it adds the question to the ***question_history_list*** and returns the answer from **`get_random_answer`**.
- **`print_question_history` method:** If there are no items in the ***answer_history_list***, it prints "None yet". Otherwise, the method prints "[answer index] question - answer" for each of the indices in the ***answer_history_list***, each on a separate line.
- **`main()` function:** Loops until the user types "quit" getting a question from the user, calls the **`shake`** method, and prints the question and response from **`shake`** as "question - answer" as shown below.

```
Ask a question or type quit: Should I eat salad today?
Should I eat salad today? – Definitely
Ask a question or type quit: quit
```

- Example Output From HW3.py

Sample output from the main method:

```
Ask a question or type quit: Should I have pizza today?
Should I have pizza today? – Definitely
Ask a question or type quit: Should I have salad today?
Should I have salad today? – Cannot predict now
Ask a question or type quit: Should I have salad today?
Should I have salad today? – I've already answered that question
Ask a question or type quit: Will it rain today?
Will it rain today? – Most likely
Ask a question or type quit: quit
```

Sample output from the test method:

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Testing Magic 8 Ball:
* Testing the __str__ method
['Definitely', 'Most likely', 'It is certain', 'Maybe', 'Cannot predict now', 'Very doubtful', "Don't count on it", 'No']

* Printing the history when no answers have been generated yet
None yet

* Asking the Question: Will I pass this semester?
Definitely

* Asking the Question: Should I study today?
Cannot predict now

* Asking the Question: Should I study today? (again)
I've already answered that question

* Asking the Question: Is SI 206 the best class ever?
Don't count on it

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* Printing the history
[0] Will I pass this semester? – Definitely
[4] Should I study today? – Cannot predict now
[6] Is SI 206 the best class ever? – Don't count on it

* Testing answer_frequency method with 200 responses
Definitely: 29
Most likely: 24
It is certain: 26
Maybe: 26
Cannot predict now: 30
Very doubtful: 19
Don't count on it: 26
No: 20

The most common answer was neither affirmative nor negative.
```

NOTE: Your output will not look *exactly* like this because we are using *random* and can't predict what it will return.

Grading Rubric - Total of 60 points

- 5 points - the `__init__` method sets the object's ***answer_list*** correctly to the passed argument and sets both the object's ***question_history_list*** and ***answer_history_list*** to an empty list
- 5 points - the `__str__` method returns a string with all answers in ***answer_list*** separated by commas
 - Correct answers for a list `['Yes', 'No', 'Maybe']`:
 - `"['Yes', 'No', 'Maybe']"`
 - `Yes, No, Maybe`
 - `Yes,No,Maybe`
- 5 points - the ***shake*** method returns *"I've already answered that question"* if the question has already been asked
- 10 points - the ***shake*** method calls the ***get_random_answer*** method and returns the answer when the user asks a new question and adds the passed question to the ***question_history_list***.
- 10 points - the ***get_random_answer*** method returns a random answer and saves the index in the ***answer_history_list***
- 5 points - the ***print_question_history*** method prints `"None Yet"` when there are no items in ***answer_history_list***
- 10 points - ***print_question_history*** prints `"[index] Question - Answer"` for each of the questions in the ***question_history_list*** and ***answer_history_list*** in order and on a separate line.
- 10 points - the ***main()*** function loops until the user enters `"quit"` and each time asks the users for a question and prints the `"question - answer"`.

This grading rubric shows how you will gain points, but not all the ways you could lose points.

Extra Credit - 6 points

Create the ***answer_frequency*** method. It takes as an argument: `n`, an integer. The method implements the following:

- (1) It calls `get_random_answer` an '`n`' number of times and records the random answer in a list.
- (2) It then prints the frequency of each answer in each line.

For example, it will print

Definitely: 27

Most likely: 32

It is certain: 25

... and so on.

(3) It prints whether the most common answer was "affirmative", "negative", or "neither affirmative nor negative".

Please feel free to use these predefined lists:

```
affirmative = ["Definitely", "Most likely", "It is certain"]
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negative = ["Very doubtful", "Don't count on it", "No"]
```