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C: Add Checks for Other Characters

There are other quotes such as ' and ' and additionally there are parenthesis (and) all of which should be balanced in a text. See for example the following excerpt from *The Hounds of Baskervilles*.

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In [2]:
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1
  def get_text_from file(path to file):
2
      with open(path to file) as fp:
3
           content lines = fp.readlines()
4
      return content lines
5
6
7
  lines = get text from file('the hound of the baskervilles.txt')
  text for analysis = ''.join(lines[146:172])
8
  print(text for analysis)
9
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"No mention of that local hunt, Watson," said Holmes with a mischiev ous smile, "but a country doctor, as you very astutely observed. I think that I am fairly justified in my inferences. As to the adjectives, I said, if I remember right, amiable, unambitious, and absent-minded. It is my experience that it is only an amiable man in this world who

receives testimonials, only an unambitious one who abandons a London career for the country, and only an absent-minded one who leaves his stick and not his visiting-card after waiting an hour in your room."

"And the dog?"

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Consequently, you can check if various characters are correctly balanced.

D: Program Which Checks Various Characters

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check all(text for analysis, characters)
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Hints:

- Reuse the function balanced_quotation_marks(text, opening='"', closing='"') from above.
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E: What is this code doing...?

Copy and paste the following program into a file called mysterious.py.

After typing it in, examine it's behavior by step-wise execution in the debugger.

- Hint: set a breakpoint on line 2.
- 1. Describe what this program is actually doing.
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