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Introduction to Python
Exercises, Session 9

Ex. 9.1 Write a function `callme()` that prints "function called" every time you call it. Call the function with the following code:

```
callme()
callme()
callme()
```

Expected Output:

```
function called...
function called...
function called...
```

Ex. 9.2 Write a function `printupper` that takes one argument, a string, and prints that string uppercased. Call it with the following code:

```
printupper('hello')
printupper('my you are loud')
printupper('I am not loud. You are.')
```

Expected Output:

```
HELLO
MY YOU ARE LOUD
I AM NOT LOUD. YOU ARE.
```

Ex. 9.3 Write a function `addme` that takes two arguments, adds them together and returns the two arguments added / concatenated. Call it thusly:

```
x = addme(4, 5)
print(x)

y = addme('hey', 'you')
print(y)
```

Expected Output:

```
9
hey you
```

Ex. 9.4 Write a function `printlist` that takes a list and loops through and prints each element of the list. Call it thusly:

```
printlist([1, 2, 'a', 'b'])
```

Expected Output:

```
1
2
a
b
```

Ex. 9.5 Create a module file named `yourname.py` where `yourname` is your first name. Do not put a shebang (`#!/`) line at the top.

Create a `def hello:` function (that prints `hello, world!`) inside the `yourname.py` module.

Now in the same directory where you saved the module, create a python script. In the script have an `import yourname` statement, and then call the function through the module: `yourname.hello()`

Save the file and then run it.

Expected calls and output:

```
import yourname

yourname.hello()           # hello, world!
```

Ex. 9.6 Modify the above function to include an optional argument. If `name=[something]`, print `hello, [something]!` instead of `hello, world!` But if the `name=` parameter is not passed, revert to saying `hello, world!`

So your `def hello` function code will be modified to accept the `name=text` argument (i.e., `def hello(name=False)`), and then test to see if `text` has a value -- if it is `True` (i.e., if `name:` is `True`). If it is `True`, print it after `'hello, '`. If it doesn't, print `'hello, world!'`

Expected calls and output:

```
import yourname

yourname.hello()           # hello, world!
yourname.hello(name='Python') # hello, Python!
```

Ex. 9.7 Create a function `getlines(filename)` that takes a filename, opens the file for that filename, copies the lines of the file (i.e., from `readlines()`) to a list variable, and then returns the list. In the calling code, call the function with a known filename, and assign the return value of the call to a variable. Loop through the variable (of course it is a list) and print out each line in the file.

Expected calls and output:

```
lines = getlines('../python_data/student_db.txt')

for line in lines:
    print(line)           # prints each line in file
```