

# Playing a hand | Problem Set 4 | Contenu du cours 6.00.1x

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## Playing a Hand

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In `ps4a.py`, note that in the function `playHand`, there is a bunch of *pseudocode*. This pseudocode is provided to help guide you in writing your function. Check out the [Why Pseudocode?](#) resource to learn more about the What and Why of Pseudocode before you start coding your solution.

**Note:** Do **not** assume that there will always be 7 letters in a hand! The parameter `n` represents the size of the hand.

**Testing:** Before testing your code in the answer box, try out your implementation as if you were playing the game. Here is some example output of `playHand`:

## Test Cases

### Case #1

Function Call:

```
wordList = loadWords()
playHand({'h':1, 'i':1, 'c':1, 'z':1, 'm':2, 'a':1}, wordList, 7)
```

Output:

```
Current Hand:  a c i h m m z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: him
"him" earned 24 points. Total: 24 points

Current Hand:  a c m z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: cam
"cam" earned 21 points. Total: 45 points

Current Hand:  z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: .
Goodbye! Total score: 45 points.
```

### Case #2

Function Call:

```
wordList = loadWords()
playHand({'w':1, 's':1, 't':2, 'a':1, 'o':1, 'f':1}, wordList, 7)
```

Output:

```
Current Hand:  a s t t w f o
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: tow
"tow" earned 18 points. Total: 18 points
```

```
Current Hand:  a s t f
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: tasf
Invalid word, please try again.
```

```
Current Hand:  a s t f
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: fast
"fast" earned 28 points. Total: 46 points
```

```
Run out of letters. Total score: 46 points.
```

### Case #3

#### Function Call:

```
wordList = loadWords()
playHand({'n':1, 'e':1, 't':1, 'a':1, 'r':1, 'i':2}, wordList, 7)
```

#### Output:

```
Current Hand: a r e t i i n
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: inertia
"inertia" earned 99 points. Total: 99 points
```

```
Run out of letters. Total score: 99 points.
```

### Additional Testing

Be sure that, in addition to the listed tests, you test the same basic test conditions with varying values of `n`. `n` will never be smaller than the number of letters in the hand.

#### Function call: `playHand({'a': 1, 'c': 1, 'r': 2, 't': 1, 'o': 1}, '', 6)`

Test 1: Using all the letters in the hand on the first guess

#### Output:

```
Current Hand:  a c r r t o
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: carrot
"carrot" earned 98 points. Total: 98 points
```

```
Run out of letters. Total score: 98 points.
None
```

#### Function call: `playHand({'a': 1, 'z': 1}, '', 2)`

Test 2: Guessing incorrectly, then correctly

#### Output:

```
Current Hand:  a z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: zo
Invalid word, please try again.
```

```
Current Hand:  a z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: za
"za" earned 72 points. Total: 72 points

Run out of letters. Total score: 72 points.
None
```

### Function call: playHand({'q': 1, 'i': 1, 'o': 1}, ' ', 3)

Test 3: Guessing word, then quitting

Output:

```
Current Hand:  q i o
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: qi
"qi" earned 22 points. Total: 22 points

Current Hand:  o
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: .
Goodbye! Total score: 22 points.
None
```

### Function call: playHand({'y': 1, 'x': 2, 's': 1, 'z': 2, 'b': 1}, ' ', 7)

Test 4: Can't make a word :(

Output:

```
Current Hand:  y x x s z z b
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: .
Goodbye! Total score: 0 points.
None
```

### Function call: playHand({'a': 2, 'p': 1, 'r': 1, 'e': 2, 't': 1}, ' ', 7)

Test 5: Full hand transcript - using all letters

Output:

```
Current Hand:  a a p r e e t
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: pear
"pear" earned 24 points. Total: 24 points

Current Hand:  a e t
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: tea
"tea" earned 9 points. Total: 33 points

Run out of letters. Total score: 33 points.
None
```

### Function call: playHand({'a': 2, 'p': 2, 'r': 1, 'z': 1, 'e': 1},", 7)

Test 6: Full hand transcript - can't use every letter

#### Output:

```
Current Hand:  a a p p r z e
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: pear
"pear" earned 24 points. Total: 24 points

Current Hand:  a p z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: za
"za" earned 22 points. Total: 46 points

Current Hand:  p
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: p
Invalid word, please try again.

Current Hand:  p
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: .
Goodbye! Total score: 46 points.
None
```

### Function call: playHand({'a': 1, 'e': 1, 'd': 1, 'i': 1, 'k': 1, 'o': 1, 'n': 2, 'v': 1, 'z': 1},',10)

Test 7: Randomized Test

#### Output:

```
Current Hand:  a e d i k o n n v z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: n
Invalid word, please try again.

Current Hand:  a e d i k o n n v z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: chayote
Invalid word, please try again.

Current Hand:  a e d i k o n n v z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: kwijibo
Invalid word, please try again.

Current Hand:  a e d i k o n n v z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: daikon
"daikon" earned 66 points. Total: 66 points

Current Hand:  e n v z
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: .
Goodbye! Total score: 66 points.
None
```