# Improving the Melon Details Report

## **Email**

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Further Study (optional)

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Subject: SUPER URGENT Can you make this script better?

Hey,

We've been really impressed how you cleaned up some of our old scripts. I found the attached *melon\_info.py* script, and I was hoping you could help.

Right now, it only tracks a melon's name, if it has seeds, and its price. Can you help us add the ability to keep track of the flesh color, rind color and average weight in *melons.py*, and then be able to print those attributes in our *melon\_info.py* report? It's ok if you set those additional attributes to some kind of unknown or default value if you don't find the data on it in *melons.py*.

Also, I've heard our sales team talking about a new "Define Local" initiative that will involve needing to track where each type of melon is grown. I don't know when this will happen... they love adding additional things to track at the last minute. But, with these files in their current state, I'm afraid it's going to be really hard to manage adding more melon characteristics to track and print. Can you think of a way to organize the files so that it's easier to add additional information for each melon as we need to?

There are two files: *melon\_info.py* is the main script and *melons.py* contains the melon data.

Thanks, Mel

Team Lead

## To Do

• Edit both files to track flesh color, rind color, and average weight of melons. Output should look something like:

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seedless: False
price: 2.5
flesh\_color: None
weight: None
rind\_color: None

• Refactor melons.py and melon\_info.py to make it easier to add more things to track in the future.

#### Hint 1

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You can change the format of the *melons.py* file.

#### Hint 2

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Try combining data into one big dictionary.

## Hint 3

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The dictionary should have melon names as keys. The value for each key will be a dictionary of traits and attributes for that particular melon.

## **Solution**

Click here to view the solution.

# **Further Study (optional)**

For those who want to do more, read through PEP 8 here: https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/

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