

Lesson 3 - Thomas Deneuve

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This session is going over the problems that you solved on CodingBat as well as some acceptable practices for Boolean expressions.

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In [1]: def sleep_in(weekday, vacation):
        if weekday == False or vacation == True:
            return True
        else:
            return False

        # Better to do it this way with the expression being
        # a single statement
def sleep_in2(weekday, vacation):
    return not weekday or vacation

    # Same here
def monkey_trouble(a_smile, b_smile):
    return a_smile == b_smile

    # Solution for missing_char - try not to use
    # lists to solve this problem
def missing_char(s, n):
    return s[:n] + s[n+1:]

In [2]: print(missing_char('kitten', 0))
        print(missing_char('kitten', 1))
        print(missing_char('kitten', 4))

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In [3]: def front_back(s):
        if len(s) == 1:
            return s
        else:
            # s[-1] accesses the last character
            # s[1:-1] gives me the second character to the second last character
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    # 1 is the beginning index
    # -1 is the last element, but we exclude this from slicing
    # s[0] is the first character
    return s[-1] + s[1:-1] + s[0]

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In [4]: print(front_back('code'))
        print(front_back('a'))
        print(front_back('ab'))

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In [5]: def front3(s):
        #str_list = list(s)
        #str3 = str_list[:3]
        #str3 = ''.join(str3)

        # If there are less than three characters, just use the
        # front as is, if not, take the first three characters
        # for the front
        if len(s) < 3:
            str3 = s
        else:
            str3 = s[:3]
        return 3*str3

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In [6]: print(front3('Java'))
        print(front3('Chocolate'))
        print(front3('Ray'))
        print(front3('a'))

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In [7]: def front_times(s,n):
        if len(s) < 3:
            str3 = s
        else:
            str3 = s[:3]
        return n*str3

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In [8]: print(front_times('Ray', 2))
        print(front_times('Thomas', 4))

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In [9]: def string_splosion(s):
        r = '' # Start with the empty string
        # For 0, 1, 2 up to the length of the string - 1
        for i in range(len(s)):
            # i accesses the end of the slice we need, then
            # we need to add 1 because the slicing is exclusive
            # We access more of the string at each iteration and concatenate
            r += s[:i+1]

        return r
        # You can also do the code below
        #return ''.join([s[:i+1] for i in range(len(s))])
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In [10]: print(string_splosion('Code'))
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In [11]: def last2(s):
        if len(s) <= 2:
            return 0

        start = 0 # Remembers the last position of where we found the substring
        count = 0 # Remembers how many times we have seen the substring
        sub = s[-1:-3:-1][::-1] # Gets the last two characters
        # We don't remove the last two characters - the entire string is searched
        # but we stop when our index is greater than the length of the string
        # minus 2
        while True: # Loop until we don't find any more substrings
            # find method gives you the starting location of the substring
            # Returns -1 if we don't find it
            start = s.find(sub, start)

            # If we don't find the substring, or if the index of where
            # we found the string is beyond the length of the string minus
            # 2, we simply quit
            if start == -1 or start >= len(s) - 2:
                break
            else:
                # We have found the substring - increase the count by 1
                count = count + 1

            # Make the starting position move over by 1 so we can
            # search for substrings in the next position after
            # previous starting position
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start = start + 1
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return count # Returns # of times we see the substring
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In [12]: print(last2('xxxx'))
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