

# Tips for Web Scraping in Python with bs4

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I've seen in the seminars that the less intuitive part of web-scraping via `bs4` appears when we try to scrap in the very deep of a nested structure, like in the following example:

The screenshot shows a real estate website with an orange header containing navigation links: 'COMPRAR', 'ALQUILER', and 'OBRA NUEVA'. On the right, there are icons for a menu, a grid, and a location pin, along with a search bar that says 'Busca anuncios en el mapa'. The main content area displays three property listings, each with a photo, a heart icon, a title, location, price, area, and description.

Property Name	Location	Price (€)	Area (m²)	Rooms	Price per m² (€)
Piso en Carrer pallars, 328. Impecable! nuevo a estrenar!	Barcelona - Poble Nou	349.000	78	3	4.474
Piso Lope de vega. Magnífico ático de lujo	Barcelona - Poble Nou	760.000	127	3	5.984
Piso Diagonal. Precioso piso totalmente reformado	Barcelona - Poble Nou	315.000	81	2	3.889

Then the extra tools to scrap this data are:

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1 from urllib.request import urlopen
2 from bs4 import BeautifulSoup, NavigableString, Comment
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4 url = "http://www.habitaclia.com/comprar-vivienda-en-barcelona-barrio_poblenou/provincia_barcelona-barcelones-area_6-sant_marti/listainmuebles.htm"
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6 ##Make the soup
7 page = urlopen(url) ## is up to your connection the URLError: <urlopen error [WinError 10060]
8 soup = BeautifulSoup(page, "lxml")
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10 casts = soup.find_all('ul', attrs={'class': 'enlista'})
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12 cast = casts[0]
13 lista = []
14 for a in cast.find_all('a'):
15     for child in a.children:
16         if isinstance(child, NavigableString) and not isinstance(child, Comment) and
17             str(child).strip() != "":
18             lista.append('{}'.format(str(child).strip()))
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19 newlist = []
20 for i in range(len(lista)):
21     if "si baja" in lista[i] or "a favoritos" in lista[i] or "Ver mapa" in lista[i]:
22         ""
23     else:
24         newlist.append(lista[i])
```

With this we capture the names of the adds in habitacalia.

The underlying idea of this example is to see the new objects `NavigableString` and also the `Comment`, so finally we have attributes like `children` that helps us to scrap in a nested way.