

## Lab 7 – Dictionaries and Sets

## Part 1: Rework the last lab to use sets in certain functions.

Here's what you'll do:

- Change find\_common\_unique\_elements to use sets. The resulting function using sets may be coded in one line (but take as many lines of code you like)
- Change gen\_return\_random\_number\_list to gen\_return\_random\_unique\_number\_list and have the function return a list of unique random numbers.

Bottom line – you'll remove about 4 lines in one function and change one line in another.

## Part 2: Create a table of word and letter counts

Write a program that parses out the Gettysburg Address and produces a **sorted** table of word and letter counts that resemble:

Word	Word count
But	1
For	1
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world	1
years	1
Letter	Letter count
а	102
Z	0

The file **skel.py** contains close to *100 lines of hints disguised as comments*.

Here's a list of tasks for this lab; this list is described in the above-mentioned file as well:

- 1. Search and use an *import* from the Python standard library that is a *string* of lower-case characters (you'll need them later)
- 2. Import the Gettysburg Address from the included Python module getty.py
- 3. Remove the punctuation characters in the text. The list of characters as well as guidance for this (and all) task is in skel.py. Look at *string functions* I bet there's one that will remove *a single character*.
- 4. Your program will count word occurrences. You don't want to count the same word more than once; good idea to create a structure containing unique words. AND...while you're doing that, convert the words to lowercase and sort them (your tables will be sorted)
- 5. Create a dictionary containing the word as the key and the count of that word as the value. Can do that in one line but a one-liner is not required. The structure of *unique words* will hold your keys BUT you need the count these words in the string that has been stripped of punctuation in step 3.
- 6. Print the table as shown in skel.py; words left-justified in a 20-column field, word counts right-justified in a 30-column field.
- 7. Use the string of lower-case characters imported from some standard library that you located earlier and *count each letter in the string created in step 3*. The code will be almost identical to that used to create the word table.
- 8. Print the letter/letter count table using the same code from step 6, with the changes to the header (letter versus word, I mean)

The program may be coded in less that 20 lines (not much less, but...)