

Week 08 Tutorial Sample Answers

1. What types are available as inbuilt types in Python?

ANSWER:

- int()
- float()
- str()
- [] - list()

```
[1, 2, 3]
[] # empty list
```

- {} - dict() - store data values in key:value pairs.

```
{"key1": "value1", "key2": "value2"}
{} # empty dict.
```

- (,) - tuple() - immutable list

```
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
("hello",) # single elements must end with a comma or python will think it's just a grouping operator
() # NOT an empty tuple
tuple() # is an empty tuple
```

- {}, set() - unordered collection of unique elements

```
{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
{"hello",} # single elements must end with a comma or python will complain it looks like a dict
{} # NOT an empty set (is a dict)
set() # is an empty set
```

- frozenset - like a set, but immutable (like a tuple is to a list)

2. What other useful types are available with Python's standard library?

ANSWER:

- collections.Counter

works like a dictionary, but with some extra methods, plus has a default value of 0.

```
from collections import Counter
c = Counter()
c['a'] += 1 # index error with a normal dictionary
print(c['a'])
```

- collections.defaultdict

works like a dictionary, but you can set a default value for missing keys.

```
from collections import defaultdict
c = defaultdict(list)
c['a'].append("hello") # index error with a normal dictionary
print(c['a'])
```

- collections.OrderedDict

works like a dictionary, but keeps the order of the keys.

ie. OrderedDict.keys() is the same order as the keys were added.

This is *currnetly* true for normal dictionaries, **but not garenteed**.

Always use OrderedDict if you need to preserve the order of the keys.

```
from collections import OrderedDict
c = OrderedDict()
c['z'] = "COMP1511"
c['a'] = "COMP1521"
c['k'] = "COMP1531"
c['b'] = "COMP2041"
print(c.keys())
```

3. Write a Python function `print_dict()` that displays the contents of a dict in the format below:

```
[key] => value
[Andrew] => green
[Anne] => red
[John] => blue
```

ANSWER:

```
def print_dict(d):
    for key, val in d.items():
        print(f"[{key}] => {val}")
```

4. Write a Python program, `times.py` which prints a table of multiplications.

Your program will be given the dimension of the table and the width of the columns to be printed. For example:

```
$ ./times.py 5 5 5
 1  2  3  4  5
 2  4  6  8 10
 3  6  9 12 15
 4  8 12 16 20
 5 10 15 20 25
```

```
$ ./times.py 10 10 3
 1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10
 2  4  6  8 10 12 14 16 18 20
 3  6  9 12 15 18 21 24 27 30
 4  8 12 16 20 24 28 32 36 40
 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50
 6 12 18 24 30 36 42 48 54 60
 7 14 21 28 35 42 49 56 63 70
 8 16 24 32 40 48 56 64 72 80
 9 18 27 36 45 54 63 72 81 90
10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
```

ANSWER:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
import sys

def main():
    if len(sys.argv) != 4:
        print(f"Usage: {sys.argv[0]} <n> <m> <column-width>")
        sys.exit(1)

    n = int(sys.argv[1])
    m = int(sys.argv[2])
    width = int(sys.argv[3])

    for x in range(1, n + 1):
        print(f"{x: >{width}}", end="")
        for y in range(2, m + 1):
            print(f" {x * y: >{width}}", end="")
        print()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

5. Write a Python program `missing_words.py` which given two files as arguments prints, in sorted order, all the words found in `file1` but not `file2`.

You can assume words occur one per line in each file.

ANSWER:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

"""
print words in file 1 but not file 2
"""

import sys

def main():
    if len(sys.argv) != 3:
        print(f"Usage: {sys.argv[0]} <file1> <file2>")
        sys.exit(1)

    words1 = set()

    with open(sys.argv[1]) as f1:
        for word in f1:
            word = word.strip()
            words1.add(word)

    words2 = set()

    with open(sys.argv[2]) as f2:
        for word in f2:
            word = word.strip()
            words2.add(word)

    for word in words1 - words2:
        print(word)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

6. Write a Python program `source_count.py` which prints the number of lines of C source code in the current directory. In other words, this Python program should behave similarly to `wc -l *.c *.h`. (Note: you are not allowed to use `wc` or other Unix programs from within the Perl script). For example:

```
$ ./source_count.py
383 cyclorana.c
280 cyclorana.h
15 enum.c
194 frequency.c
624 model.c
293 parse.c
115 random.c
51 smooth.c
132 util.c
16 util.h
410 waveform.c
2513 total
```

ANSWER:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
# written by andrewt@cse.unsw.edu.au for COMP2041
# count lines of C source code
from glob import glob

def main():
    total = 0
    for filename in glob("*.c"):
        with open(filename) as f:
            lines = f.readlines()
            n_lines = len(lines)
            print(f"{n_lines:7} {filename}")
            total += n_lines
    print(f"{total:7} total")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

7. Write a Python program, `phone_numbers.py` which given the URL of a web page fetches it by running `wget` and prints any strings that might be phone numbers in the web page.

Assume the digits of phone numbers may be separated by zero or more spaces or hyphens ('-') and can contain between 8 and 15 digits inclusive.

You should print the phone numbers one per line with spaces & hyphens removed.

```
$ ./phone_numbers.py https://www.unsw.edu.au
20151028
11187777
841430912571345
413200225
61293851000
57195873179
```

ANSWER:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import sys, re, subprocess

def main():
    for url in sys.argv[1:]:
        process = subprocess.run(f"wget -q -O- {url}", shell=True, capture_output=True,
text=True)
        webpage = process.stdout
        for number in re.findall(r'[\d \-]+', webpage):
            number = re.sub(r'\D', '', number)
            if len(number) >= 8 and len(number) <= 15:
                print(number)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

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