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U0PKTUWKH: trying to build a function that will backup ebs volumes
U4SSUBNHY: looking
U0PKTUWKH: i get the following error `Invalid type for parameter Filters[0].Name, value: ['Backup'], type: <type
'list'>, valid types: <type 'basestring'&gt;: ParamValidationError`
U4SSUBNHY: try \"Backup"\?
U4SSUBNHY: instead of `['Backup']`
U0PKTUWKH: `An error occurred (InvalidParameterValue) when calling the DescribeInstances operation: The filter
'Backup' is invalid: ClientError`
U4SSUBNHY: what is 'Backup' when it comes to your EC2 instances?
U0PKTUWKH: its tag
U4SSUBNHY: ok
U0PKTUWKH: key and 'jira_backup' its value
U0PKTUWKH: this is example syntax i c ``
response = client.describe instances(
   Filters=[
     {
        'Name': 'string',
        'Values': [
          'string',
       ]
     },
],
U4SSUBNHY: Are you able to display this tag in your AWS console?
U0PKTUWKH: yes
U4SSUBNHY: hmm
U0PKTUWKH: ```aws ec2 describe-instances --filters "Name=tag:Backup,Values=jira_backup"
 "Tags": [
                 "Value": "jira_backup",
                 "Key": "Backup"
U5VGKQ2SY: in `reservations = ec.describe instances`, Where is ec defined?
U0PKTUWKH: <@U5VGKQ2SY> `ec = boto3.client('ec2')`
U5VGKQ2SY: nevermind
U5VGKQ2SY: <a href="https://gist.github.com/ryansb/c5807c6785f326e9510d">https://gist.github.com/ryansb/c5807c6785f326e9510d</a> &lt;-- no brackets around tag-key
U0PKTUWKH: <@U5VGKQ2SY> THANKS! ur example helped me to realize i was useing `tag-key'` instead of
U0PKTUWKH: and this is why things were failing
U5VGKQ2SY: full disclosure, NOT MY EXAMPLE hahaha
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U0PKTUWKH: well not ur example but whatever u provided as an example

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