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U07JGLLKF: `@staticmethod` just means a function doesn't require an instance of itself to operate on
U07JGLLKF: the key to chaining methods is that you have to return a copy of `self` on chainable methods
U5VEXNQE7: What do you mean
U07JGLLKF: ```class Foo:
  def init (self):
     self.data = [] # whatever your initial data here would be
     return self
  def Function(self, data):
     self.data = do thing with data(data)
     return self
  def toJSON(self):
     return json.dumps(self.data)
U07JGLLKF: something like that would have basic chainable class init and `Function` methods
U5VEXNQE7: like just the fuction needs something like this?"
class CLASS(object):
   _x = None
  def __init__(self):
     pass
  def something_to_do(self, var1, var2):
     x = var1 + var2
     return x
  @property
  def toFloat(self):
     return float(x)
U1BP42MRS: ```class Foo:
  def bar(self):
     # do work
     return self
  def baz(self):
     # do other stuff
     return self
  @property
  def json(self):
     return self.__dict__
Foo().bar().baz().json
U5VEXNQE7: Awesome!
U5VEXNQE7: I didn't try that ... why didn't I try that?
U5VEXNQE7: Hmm this didn't work. ```class CLASS(object):
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  def something_to_do(self, var1, var2):
     x = var1 + var2
     return x
  @property
  def toFloat(self):
     return float(_x)
print(CLASS().something_to_do(1,2).toFloat)```
U5VEXNQE7: ```Traceback (most recent call last): File "Untitled 2.py", line 15, in <module&gt;
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AttributeError: 'int' object has no attribute 'toFloat'
U07JGLLKF: your `return x` needs to be `return self`
U07JGLLKF: because `return x` is just returning the result of `var1 + var2`, which is just an int
U5VEXNQE7: ```class CLASS(object): _x = None
  def __init__(self):
    pass
  def something to do(self, var1, var2):
     _x = var1 + var2
    return self
  @property
  def toFloat(self):
     return float(_x)
print(CLASS().something_to_do(1,2).toFloat)
U5VEXNQE7: ```Traceback (most recent call last): File "Untitled 2.py", line 15, in <module&gt;
  print(CLASS().something_to_do(1,2).toFloat)
 File "Untitled 2.py", line 12, in toFloat
  return float(_x)
NameError: name '_x' is not defined
U07JGLLKF: ahh, so `_x` in that scope doesn't exist
U07JGLLKF: that will need to be `self._x = var1 + var2`
U5VEXNQE7: Wow .. ok .. that one I knew .. just too focused on other things ..
U5VEXNQE7: Just completely missed it like a noob.
U5VEXNQE7: yup .. perfect .. thanks man.
U5VEXNQE7: Returning the self was what I was missing.
U5VEXNQE7: thanks
U07JGLLKF: no problem!
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