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Resources

- Corpora, large sets of organized data
- Sources include: WSJ, twitter, Project Gutenberg, etc.

NLTK: Getting Started

- Install Python
 - https://www.python.org/downloads/
- Install NLTK
 - http://www.nltk.org/install.html
- Download Corpora (NLTK Data)
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- Organized into collections of written texts (corpora)
- Examples of NLTK Corpora
 - gutenberg (Project Gutenberg selections)
 - shakespeare (selection of Shakespeare's plays)
 - twitter_samples (samples of tweets)
 - brown (Brown University's collection of published works)
 - cmudict (Carnegie Mellon's dictionary of words/pronunciations)

End of Section

