Pirkey Avot Flask App Setup Instructions (Windows)

First-time Setup Instructions:

1. Open Command Prompt and create a new directory for your project:

```
mkdir pirkey_avot_flask

cd pirkey_avot_flask
```

2. Create a virtual environment:

```
python -m venv venv
```

3. Activate the virtual environment:

```
venv\Scripts\activate

Note: On macOS/Linux, use source venv/bin/activate
```

4. Create a requirements.txt file with the following content:

```
Flask==2.0.3
Flask-WTF==1.0.0
Flask-SQLAlchemy==2.5.1
```

5. Install the required packages:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

- 6. Create the main application file app.py
- 7. Create a templates folder and place your index.html file inside it.
- 8. Set up the SQLite database (implement in app.py)
- 9. Set the FLASK APP environment variable:

```
set FLASK_APP=app.py

Note: On macOS/Linux, use export FLASK_APP=app.py
```

10. Initialize the database (if using Flask-SQLAlchemy):

```
flask db init
flask db migrate
flask db upgrade
```

Running the App (after setup):

1. Open Command Prompt and navigate to your project directory:

2. Activate the virtual environment:

```
venv\Scripts\activate
```

Note: On macOS/Linux, use source venv/bin/activate

3. Ensure all requirements are installed:

4. Set the FLASK APP environment variable (if not already set):

Note: On macOS/Linux, use export FLASK_APP=app.py

5. Run the Flask development server:

6. Open a web browser and go to http://127.0.0.1:5000/ to view your app.

Optional: For development, enable debug mode by setting the FLASK_ENV environment variable:

```
set FLASK ENV=development
```

Note: On macOS/Linux, use export FLASK_ENV=development