

Week 4: Good Programming

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In <code>ps4a.py</code>, note that in the function <code>playHand</code>, there is a bunch of *pseudocode*. This pseudocode is provided to help guide you in writing your function. Check out the <code>Why Pseudocode?</code> resource to learn more about the What and Why of Pseudocode before you start coding your solution.

**Note:** Do **not** assume that there will always be 7 letters in a hand! The parameter n represents the size of the hand.

**Testing:** Before testing your code in the answer box, try out your implementation as if you were playing the game. Here is some example output of playHand:

### **Test Cases**

Case #1

**Function Call:** 

```
wordList = loadWords()
playHand({'h':1, 'i':1, 'c':1, 'z':1, 'm':2, 'a':1}, wordList, 7)
```

Output:

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```
Current Hand: a c i h m m z

Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: him
"him" earned 24 points. Total: 24 points

Current Hand: a c m z

Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: cam
"cam" earned 21 points. Total: 45 points

Current Hand: z

Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: .

Goodbye! Total score: 45 points.
```

#### Case #2

#### **Function Call:**

```
wordList = loadWords()
playHand({'w':1, 's':1, 't':2, 'a':1, 'o':1, 'f':1}, wordList, 7)
```

## Output:

```
Current Hand: a s t t w f o
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: tow
"tow" earned 18 points. Total: 18 points

Current Hand: a s t f
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: tasf
Invalid word, please try again.

Current Hand: a s t f
Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: fast
"fast" earned 28 points. Total: 46 points

Run out of letters. Total score: 46 points.
```

#### Case #3

#### **Function Call:**

```
wordList = loadWords()
playHand({'n':1, 'e':1, 't':1, 'a':1, 'r':1, 'i':2}, wordList, 7)
```

## Output:

```
Current Hand: a r e t i i n

Enter word, or a "." to indicate that you are finished: inertia
"inertia" earned 99 points. Total: 99 points

Run out of letters. Total score: 99 points.
```

## **Additional Testing**

Be sure that, in addition to the listed tests, you test the same basic test conditions with varying values of n. n will never be smaller than the number of letters in the hand.

```
1 def playHand(hand, wordList, n):
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      Allows the user to play the given hand, as follows:
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      * The hand is displayed.
6
      * The user may input a word or a single period (the string ".")
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        to indicate they're done playing
      * Invalid words are rejected, and a message is displayed asking
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9
        the user to choose another word until they enter a valid word or
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      * When a valid word is entered, it uses up letters from the hand.
11
      * After every valid word: the score for that word is displayed,
12
        the remaining letters in the hand are displayed, and the user
13
        is asked to input another word.
14
      * The sum of the word scores is displayed when the hand finishes.
15
      * The hand finishes when there are no more unused letters or the use
```

Press ESC then TAB or click outside of the code editor to exit

#### Unanswered

**Note:** Letters in the dictionary for the test cases in "See full output" are actually strings. When you test your code, they should be {"a": 1, "e": 1,...} not {a: 1, e: 1,...}.

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It was very frustrating. I have finally managed to finish the exercise. It kept me crazy, but the main issues where the	1
Finally did it.  It was complicated. Can't explain the feeling.	1
? Just got 5 scores Is updateHand() used by what I have submitted in Problem 2?	1
? Need help with Error: Your code called 'input' more times than necessary.	8
✓ Need help on using diplayHand(hand) Ok, at the start of the program you are supposed to show the user their hand. My code is thi	11
? How to test it in my local IDE?  I found the mistake and now it can be tested in local IDE All the functions are in the p	3
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displayHand() issues The fact that displayHand() doesn't return anything threw me off. The function outputs a **st	24



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