

Q1.

1. Create a function called `strip_characters()`, which accepts a string argument and:

- Iterates over the `bad_chars` list, using `str.replace()` to remove each character.
- Returns the cleaned string.

2. Create a function called `process_date()` which accepts a string, and follows the logic we outlined above:

- Checks if the dash character (-) is in the string so we know if it's a range or not.
- **If it is a range:**

- Splits the string into two strings, before and after the dash character.
- Converts the two numbers to the integer type and then average them by adding them together and dividing by two.
- Uses the `round()` function to round the average, so values like `1964.5` become `1964`.

- **If it isn't a range:**

- Converts the value to an integer type.

3. Finally, returns the value.

4. Create an empty list `processed_test_data`.

5. Loop over the `stripped_test_data` list using your `process_date()` function. Process the dates and append each processed date back to the `processed_test_data` list.

6. Once your code works with the test data, you can then iterate over the `Artworks.csv` list of lists. In each iteration:

- Assign the value from the `Date` column (`index 9`) to a variable.
- Use the `strip_characters()` function to remove any bad characters.
- Use the `process_date()` to convert the date.
- Assign the stripped and processed value back to the row.

Script.py

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bad_chars = ["(", ")", "c", "C", ".", "s", "", " "]
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