

Week 3 Quiz

7 Questions

1. Why is recursion important for traversing tree like structures such as file systems?

- 2/56 **A** It reduces code complexity
- 0/56 **B** It supports the infinite expandability of tree like structures
- 2/56 **C** It can be more efficient than loops
- 2/56 **D** A and B only
- 50/56 **E** All of the above

2. In the function pictured here, what will be the output?

- 26/55 **A** 0
- 22/55 **B** 21
- 6/55 **C** 11
- 1/55 **D** 1

```
def recursive_sum(nested_list) -> int:
    total = 0

    for obj in nested_list:
        if type(obj) == list:
            total += recursive_sum(obj)

    return total

print(recursive_sum([1,2,[3,4],[5],6]))
```

i The value for total is never changed, so the final output will be 0

3. Which of the following code snippets will fix the previous function?

51/58 **A**

```
for obj in nested_list:
    if type(obj) == list:
        total += recursive_sum(obj)
    else:
        total += obj
```

5/58 **B**

```
for obj in nested_list:
    if type(obj) == list:
        total += recursive_sum(obj)

    total += obj
```

2/58 **C**

```
for obj in nested_list:
    if type(obj) == list:
        total += recursive_sum(obj)
    else:
        total += 1
```

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def recursive_sum(nested_list) -> int:
    total = 0

    for obj in nested_list:
        if type(obj) == list:
            total += recursive_sum(obj)

    return total

print(recursive_sum([1,2,[3,4],[5],6]))
```

i obj is the value we are attempting to sum, so when obj is not of type list, it must be an integer and therefore should be added to the total.

6. Are you using the IDLE debugger or any Python debugger to analyze your code when it doesn't work as expected?

27/59 ☒ A Yes

33/59 ☐ B No

7. Do you know how to use a debugger to analyze your code ~~an~~time?

20/57 ☒ A Yes

40/57 ☐ B No