```
Out[8]:
       evil horizon of problem queen
       1 0 1 1
               0 0
                            1
     1
        1
                            0
```

There are some issues with this approach, however: the raw word counts lead to features that put too much weight on words that appear very frequently, and this can be suboptimal in some classification algorithms. One approach to fix this is known as term frequency-inverse document frequency (TF-IDF), which weights the word counts by a measure of how often they appear in the documents. The syntax for computing these features is similar to the previous example:

```
In[9]: from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
      vec = TfidfVectorizer()
      X = vec.fit transform(sample)
      pd.DataFrame(X.toarray(), columns=vec.get_feature_names())
             evil horizon of problem
Out[9]:
                                                  queen
       0 0.517856 0.000000 0.680919 0.517856 0.000000
       1 0.605349 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.795961
       2 0.000000 0.795961 0.000000 0.605349 0.000000
```

For an example of using TF-IDF in a classification problem, see "In Depth: Naive Bayes Classification" on page 382.

## **Image Features**

Another common need is to suitably encode *images* for machine learning analysis. The simplest approach is what we used for the digits data in "Introducing Scikit-Learn" on page 343: simply using the pixel values themselves. But depending on the application, such approaches may not be optimal.

A comprehensive summary of feature extraction techniques for images is well beyond the scope of this section, but you can find excellent implementations of many of the standard approaches in the Scikit-Image project. For one example of using Scikit-Learn and Scikit-Image together, see "Application: A Face Detection Pipeline" on page 506.

## **Derived Features**

Another useful type of feature is one that is mathematically derived from some input features. We saw an example of this in "Hyperparameters and Model Validation" on page 359 when we constructed polynomial features from our input data. We saw that we could convert a linear regression into a polynomial regression not by changing the model, but by transforming the input! This is sometimes known as basis function regression, and is explored further in "In Depth: Linear Regression" on page 390.