1. How do you distinguish between shutil.copy() and shutil.copytree()?

Answers: The shutil.copy() function will copy a single file, while shutil.copytree() will copy an entire folder, along with all its contents.

2. What function is used to rename files??

Answer: The shutil.move() function is used for renaming files, as well as moving them.

3. What is the difference between the delete functions in the send2trash and shutil modules?

Answer: The send2trash functions will move a file or folder to the recycle bin, while shutil functions will permanently delete files and folders.

4.ZipFile objects have a close() method just like File objects’ close() method. What ZipFile method is equivalent to File objects’ open() method?

Answer: The zipfile.ZipFile() function is equivalent to the open() function; the first argument is the filename, and the second argument is the mode to open the ZIP file in (read, write, or append).

5. Create a programme that searches a folder tree for files with a certain file extension (such as .pdf or .jpg). Copy these files from whatever location they are in to a new folder.

Answer:

import os, shutil

def selectiveCopy(folder, extensions, destFolder):

folder = os.path.abspath(folder)

destFolder = os.path.abspath(destFolder)

print('Looking in', folder, 'for files with extensions of', ', '.join(extensions))

for foldername, subfolders, filenames in os.walk(folder):

for filename in filenames:

name, extension = os.path.splitext(filename)

if extension in extensions:

fileAbsPath = foldername + os.path.sep + filename

print('Coping', fileAbsPath, 'to', destFolder)

shutil.copy(fileAbsPath, destFolder)

extensions = ['.php', '.py']

folder = 'randomFolder'

destFolder = 'selectiveFolder'

selectiveCopy(folder, extensions, destFolder)