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Question 1

What is the type of the parameter for a mouseclick handler?

Refer to the CodeSkulptor documentation.

Score	Explanation
✓ 10.00	More specifically, a tuple (pair) of non-negative integers
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	✓ 10.00

Question 2

Which of the following expressions mutate, i.e., change, list my_list? If you've forgotten what the operations do, you can look in the CodeSkulptor documentation.

Your Answer Score Explanation

Question 3

We want to remove the element at the front of a list. For example, we want the following code to print <code>"apple"</code> and <code>["pear", "blueberry"]</code>, respectively. What function or method call should replace the question marks?

```
fruits = ["apple", "pear", "blueberry"]
fruit = ???
print fruit, fruits
```

Your Answer		Score	Explanation
fruits.pop()			
fruits.pop(0)	~	10.00	
fruits[0]			
fruits.remove(0)			
fruits.remove("apple")			
fruits[1:]			
Total		10.00 / 10.00	

Question 4

Which of the following uses of range() will generate the list [2, 5, 8, 11, 14]?

First, think about what each of these returns, but also try each in CodeSkulptor.

Your Answer

Score

Explanation

range(14, 1, -3)

1.11

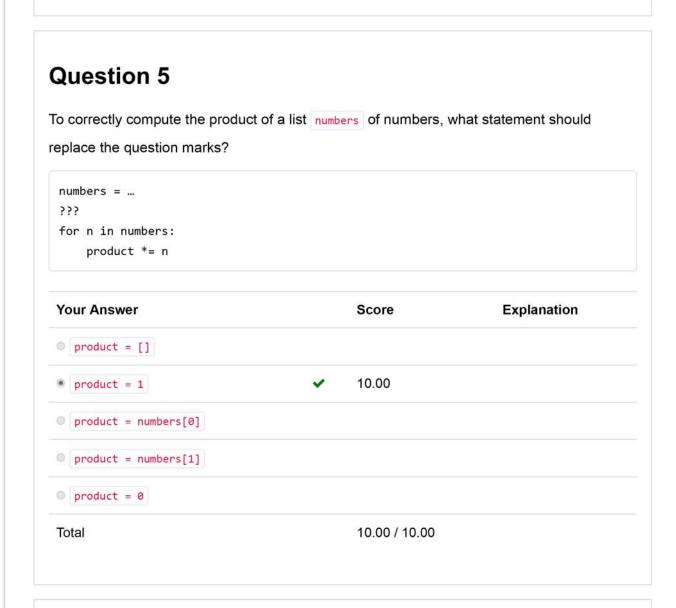
range(2, 14, 3)

1.11

range(2, 15, 3)

7.78

Total



Question 6

We can loop over strings, too!

The following incomplete function is a simple, but inefficient, way to reverse a string. What

line of code needs to replace the questions marks for the code to work correctly?

```
def reverse_string(s):
    """Returns the reversal of the given string."""
    ???
    for char in s:
        result = char + result
    return result

print reverse_string("hello")
```

Your Answer		Score	Explanation
• result = ""	~	10.00	
result = []			
result = " "			
result = 0			
Total		10.00 / 10.00	

Question 7

Imagine a game on a map. At the beginning, we might want to randomly assign each player a starting point. Which of the following expressions may we use in place of the question marks to correctly implement this functionality?

```
import random

def random_point():
    """Returns a random point on a 100x100 grid."""
    return (random.randrange(100), random.randrange(100))

def starting_points(players):
    """Returns a list of random points, one for each player."""
    points = []
    for player in players:
        point = random_point()
        ???
    return points
```

Your Answer Score Explanation

<pre> ✓ points.append(point)</pre>	~	7.50
points.extend(point)	~	0.50
<pre>point.append(points)</pre>	~	0.50
point.extend(points)	~	0.50
points + point	~	0.50
points += point	~	0.50
Total		10.00 / 10.00

Question 8

The following function is supposed to check whether the given list of numbers is in ascending order. For example, we want <code>is_ascending([2, 6, 9, 12, 400])</code> to return <code>True</code>,

while is_ascending([4, 8, 2, 13]) should return False.

```
def is_ascending(numbers):
    """Returns whether the given list of numbers is in ascending order."""
    for i in range(len(numbers)):
        if numbers[i+1] < numbers[i]:
            return False
    return True</pre>
```

However, the function doesn't quite work. Try it on the suggested tests to verify this for yourself. The easiest fix is to make a small change to the highlighted code. What should it be replaced with?

Your Answer		Score	Explanation
range(1, len(numbers))	~	1.00	
range(len(numbers - 1))	~	1.00	
range(len(numbers) - 1)	~	7.00	
range(len(numbers)) - 1	~	1.00	
Total .		10.00 / 10.00	

Question Explanation

Note that here we loop not over numbers, but over a new list, a range of indices. This function uses that approach because it looks at *two* elements of numbers on each iteration.

Question 9

Turn the following English description into code:

- 1. Create a list with two numbers, 0 and 1, respectively.
- 2. For 40 times, add to the end of the list the sum of the last two numbers.

What is the last number in the list?

To test your code, if you repeat 10 times, rather than 40, your answer should be 89.

You entered:

165580141

Your Answer		Score	Explanation
165580141	~	20.00	Correct. By the way, here's code that simplifies things a bit by not even building the list.
			x = 0
			y = 1
			for i in range(40):
			x, y = y, x + y
			print y
Total 20.00	20.00 /		
		20.00	

Question Explanation

This process computes *Fibonacci numbers*. Since 0 and 1 are considered the 0th and 1st Fibonacci numbers, respectively, we effectively asked you to give the 41st Fibonacci number. While a simple and seemingly arbitrary computation, the Fibonacci sequence appears repeatedly in mathematics and nature.