

1. Why is file storage important when you're using Python? What would happen if you didn't store local files?
 - File storage is important when you're using Python because when you're working with Python (i.e. in the Python or iPython shell) and don't use file storage, the data no longer exists when a script stops running. File storage allows you to use data to be used across multiple scripts and access said data after running the script(s).
2. In this Exercise you learned about the pickling process with the `pickle.dump()` method. What are pickles? In which situations would you choose to use pickles and why?
 - Pickles are a way to convert complex data into a packaged stream of bytes, known as a 'pickle', then written into a binary file. Pickles are useful when working with more complex data structures, like dictionaries.
3. In Python, what function do you use to find out which directory you're currently in? What if you wanted to change your current working directory?
 - In Python, the `os.getcwd()` function is the what you'd use to find out which directory you're currently in and the `os.chdir()` function is what you'd use to navigate into the directory of your choice.
4. Imagine you're working on a Python script and are worried there may be an error in a block of code. How would you approach the situation to prevent the entire script from terminating due to an error?
 - In Python, a way to check a block of code for an error and prevent the entire script from terminating due to an error is by using a try-except blocks. Specifically, except blocks allows for errors to be found without Python terminating the entire script, and highlights the error so that it can be corrected.
5. Take a moment to reflect on your learning in the course so far. How is it going? What's something you're proud of so far? Is there something you're struggling with? What do you need more practice with?
 - I think that everything has been going good so far with the course. I'm proud of how I've been able to handle errors that have come up throughout the course so far. I've been able to handle the errors without using external resources or assistance. I wouldn't say I'm struggling with anything in particular. However, I would like to get more experience with pickles, so that I can understand them better.