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Question 1
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What is "BeautifulSoup"?

○ a. A set of tools in R that are preprogrammed to find information on websites

○ b. "BeautifulSoup" refers to the API available on some that allows you to easily download data, such as Facebook and Twitter.

○ c. A tutorial on web scraping

◉ d. A set of tools in Python that are preprogrammed to find information on websites ✔

Explanation
As Professor Duflo states in this segment, BeautifulSoup is a Python package that provides tools that are preprogrammed to find information on websites and therefore make web scraping easier, even for those unfamiliar with Python. Most of the things that you might want to do are already available in BeautifulSoup.

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Question 2

1/1 point (graded)
True or False: R is a better tool than Python for scraping web data

○ a. True

◉ b. False   ✔

Explanation
Professor Duflo mentions in the lecture that the more conventional way to perform web-scraping is to use Python. While there are some entry costs to using Python in terms of learning how to program, there are plenty of tutorials online and tools such as BeautifulSoup that make it rather simple to use in order to perform web scraping.

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