Lesson 12

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Logistics

* How did Project 1: BART Helper go?

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Sessions Recap

* What are they?
* Why do we need them?

(10 min)

Sessions Skill Demo

* We want to make our Alexa Skills conversational, so we need to keep the session “alive”
* Last week, you enhanced the Session Skill to store another attribute
  + My favorite flower
  + Show what that looked like in code (ms-hingorani branch)
* Demo
  + I tell her my fav color & flower, then ask her for one, and she goes away
  + Never got to ask her for the other
  + Should I be able to?
  + What happens if I wake her up again and then ask her…
    - She doesn’t remember anymore
    - It’s a new session

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Task for today — Zoom breakout groups

* Find a way to keep her alive until we are done talking to her
* I should be able to ask what’s my favorite flower, color as many times as I want
* Demo if needed (master branch)

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How? Student Discussion / Share Out

* How did you manage to keep the session alive?
* Follow code path in ms-hingorani branch
  + Look at getSpeechletResponse() method
    - ask vs. tell
  + Look at SpeechletResponse class and different implementations of methods
    - shouldEndSession boolean being set
* Create our own getSpeechletResponse() method that takes in shouldEndSession
  + Show code in master branch

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Wrap Up