Topic	Functions		
Class Description	Student learns how to use pre-defined functions in python. Student also learn how to write their own functions. Student writes a function which takes a filename from the user and outputs the number of words in the file.		
Class	SUP-ADV-C98		
Class time	45 mins		
Goal	 Write a custom defined function in Python Write a program which takes file path from the user and prints the number of words in the file 		
Resources Required	 Teacher Resources Laptop with internet connectivity Earphones with mic Notebook and pen Student Resources Laptop with internet connectivity Earphones with mic Notebook and pen 		
Class structure	Warm Up Teacher-led Activity Student-led Activity Wrap up		15 min 15 min 5 min
Class Steps	Teacher Action	Studen	t Action
Step 1: Warm Up (15 min)	Hello <student name=""> Last class, we were introduced to this new and powerful general purpose language called Python. Do you remember what we learned?</student>	ESR: We learned the syntax to creat conditional property writing loops of	ate variables, ogramming ,
	Great! We also wrote a program which takes input from the user and tells us the number of words in the	which can be	blocks of code invoked inside gram. functions

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	message input by the user. This class, we will be learning about functions in python. We will learn about some of the functions which are pre-defined in python. We will also learn about how to write custom functions? Can you remember and connect with funcitons which we used in javascript? Whar are functions?	can take some argument and use them to do some specific task.
	Have we used functions in python so far?	ESR: Yes! input() print()
	print() is a predefined function in python. We will learn more about the other predefined functions in python. We will also learn how we can write our own function. Let's get started.	-
	Teacher Initiates Screen Shar	e
Step 2: Teacher-led Activity (15 min)	You have already used two important pre-defined functions in python - print() and input(). Let's learn a few more pre-defined functions which we will be using in our program.	
	One of the pre-defined functions in python is called open(). open() function can be used to open	Student looks at the documentation for open. Student Activity 1

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any file in read, write or append mode. The function returns a file object which we can read in our program. Let's quickly look at the reference document for open() function in python. Let's try to use open() function to read Student learns how to use a file in our current folder. the open() function 1. Teacher creates a file called "test.txt" 2. Teacher opens python console Teacher uses f = open("test.txt") to store the file in 'f' variable. 3. Teacher uses f.read() to read the file and then prints it on the console. Note: - By default a file opens in read mode. We could have also used open("test.txt",'r') to open the file explicitly in the read mode. - file is an object in python which has several functions defined on them. read() is a function defined on files. - "\n" represents the Enter or return key rajeev@atlantis ~/D/gettingFilesList> python3 Python 3.6.9 (default, Apr 18 2020, 01:56:04) [GCC 8.4.0] on linux Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information. >>> f = open("test.txt") >>> f.read() 'This is a test file. This is a sample text.\n' >>>

You can also print a file line by line in python.

Teacher writes code to print the file line by line.

f = open("test.txt")
fileLines = f.readlines()

readlines() defined on file object splits the lines in the file and stores it line by line as a list. We can print these lines by calling a for loop on the list.

for line in fileLines: print(line)

Student understands how to use functions defined on file object to read the file line by line

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>>> f = open("test.txt")
>>> fileLines = f.readlines()
>>> for line in fileLines:
... print(line)
...
This is a test file. This is a sample text.
>>>
```

There are several other functions defined on files which you can explore on your own by referring to the documentation

Student can look at the documentation for functions defined on the file

We saw file is an object in python.
In fact, everything in python is an object. For example - a variable which holds a string is also an object in python.

ESR:

It will split the text into words.

Let's look at it.

Let's store a string inside a variable.

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	introString = "My name is Wily, I am 15 years old."		
	introString is a string object on which several functions are defined. One of the functions defined on introString is called split().		
	Can you guess what split() does?		
	Yes! split() splits the given string by their whitespaces, gives each individual word and stores them in a list.	Student sees the output of split() used over a string	
	We can write:		
	words = introString.split() print(words)		
<pre>>>> introString = "My name is Wily, I am 15 years old." >>> words = introString.split() >>> >>> print(words) ['My', 'name', 'is', 'Wily,', 'I', 'am', '15', 'years', 'old.'] >>> []</pre>			
	split() splits using whitespace by default.	Student learns how to use split() with a custom separator	
	You can also specify which separator to use to split the items. For example, we could have used comma (,) as the separator:		
	phrases = introString.split(",")		

<pre>>>> introString = "My name is Wily, I am 15 years old." >>> words = introString.split(",") >>> print(words) ['My name is Wily', ' I am 15 years old.'] >>> </pre>		
	Again, there are several functions defined on string object in Python. You can look over them in the documentation for python	Student sees the documentation for string functions in python
	Now, we have used several functions which are pre-defined in python. Let's learn how to define a custom function in python. You already know how to define a custom function in javascript. It is similar in python except for the change in syntax. To define a function in python, we use the syntax: def functionName(): <block code="" for="" function="" of="" the=""> You can also pass arguments to your function inside the brackets - similar to how we did in javascript. def functionName(variable): <block code="" for="" function="" of="" the=""></block></block>	Student understands the syntax for defining function in python
	Let's quickly try to define a function greet() which takes name as an input and greets the person by name. Teacher writes code to create the function greet() which takes name as	Student helps in writing the function greet()

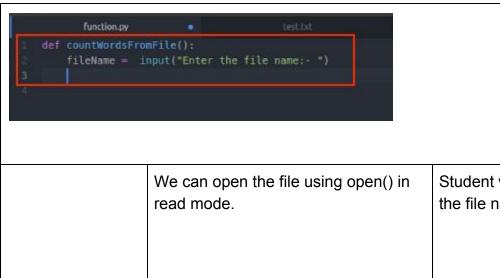
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an input and prints a greeting with the
                   person's name
 >>> def greet(name):
            print("Hello, " + name + ". How are you?")
 >>> greet("Rahul")
 Hello, Rahul. How are you?
                   In the last class we wrote code to
                                                         ESR:
                   count the number of words and
                                                         ves!
                   characters from a string input by the
                                                         There are a lot of places
                   user.
                                                         where there is a restriction
                   Can you write a program which takes
                   the path of a file from the user and
                                                         on the number of words to
                   outputs the number of words used in
                                                         be used - for example while
                   the file?
                                                         writing essays....we can use
                   Where could such a function be
                                                         the program to count the
                   useful?
                                                         number of words used.
                   Let's get started.
                           Teacher Stops Screen Share
                   Now it's your turn. Please share your
                   screen with me.
            Ask Student to press ESC key to come back to panel
            Guide Student to start Screen Share
         • Teacher gets into Fullscreen
                                                         ESR:
Step 3:
                   Great! Let's get started.
Student-Led
                                                         We can define function
Activity
                   Let's start by creating a
                                                         using def
(5 min)
                   countWordsFromFile.py file.
                                                         countWordsFromFile()
                   Inside the file. let's create a custom
                   function countWordsFromFile() which
                                                         <Student write code to
                                                         define the function>
                   takes the file path as input.
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Student writes code to open the file name



We can read all the lines in our file and store it in a list.

For each line in the file, let's split the line by whitespace to store all the words in the line as a list.

Student writes code to read all the lines in a file.

Student uses a for loop to run for each line in the file. For each line in the file, student uses split() to split the line by whitespace and store the words in the words list

Great! Now how do we count the number of words in each line and in the file overall?

ESR:

We use a numberOfWords variable which starts from 0 We count the number of words in the words list for each file and keep adding to the numberOfWords

There is a predefined function len() in python which will give you the length of the list. We can use it to find the length of words listed for each line.

Student declares
numberOfWords =0
Student uses
numberOfWords =
numberOfWords +
len(words) to increment the
value of count by the
number of words in each
line of the file.
Student returns the count
from the function

Now let's print the number of words and call the function

Student writes the print statement to print the number of words and calls the countWordsFromFile function

```
function.py

def countWordsFromFile():
    fileName = input("Enter the file name:- ")

numberOfWords = 0

file = open(fileName, 'r')
    for line in file:
        words = line.split()
        numberOfWords = numberOfWords + len(words)
    print("Number of words:")
    print(numberOfWords)

countWordsFromFile()

countWordsFromFile()
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Let's run the code on the terminal .

Open the terminal and go to the folder which contains your function.py file. run the command python3 function.py

Student opens the terminal and goes to the folder which contains the function.py file and then run the command python3 function.py

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~/D/gettingFilesList> python3 function.py Enter the file name:- test.txt Number of words: 10

Teacher Guides Student to Stop Screen Share Step 4: ESR: Amazing! I would encourage you to Wrap-Up explore more about file objects. You varied can also use them to write to your files from the program! Do you think we can also learn how to move our files from one location to another programmatically! Of course we can! We can do anything on our system using python. In fact in the coming few classes, we will be creating a little program using which you will be able to back up your files in any folder automatically to a remote cloud! **★** End Class **Teacher Clicks**

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Additional	Encourage the student to write	The student uses the
Activities	reflection notes in their reflection journal using markdown.	markdown editor to write her/his reflection as a reflection journal.
	 Use these as guiding questions: What happened today? Describe what happened Code I wrote How did I feel after the class? What have I learned about programming and developing games? What aspects of the class helped me? What did I find difficult? 	

Activity	Activity Name	Links
Teacher Activity 1	Reading and writing files doc	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/reading-writing-text-files-python/
Teacher Activity 2	Split method doc	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/pyth on-string-split/
Teacher Activity 3	reference code	https://github.com/whitehatjr/Functions
Student Activity 1	Reading and writing files doc	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/reading-writing-text-files-python/
Student Activity 2	Split method doc	https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/pyth on-string-split/