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import string

def count_words(text):
    """Count the number of words in the given text."""
    word_count = 0
    # Split the text into words based on whitespace
    words = text.split()
    # Remove punctuation from each word and count
    for word in words:
        word = word.strip(string.punctuation)
        if word:
            word_count += 1
    return word_count

def main():
    print("Welcome to Word Count Tool!")

    while True:
        text_input = input("Enter text or the path to a text file: ")

        try:
            # Check if input is a file path
            with open(text_input, 'r') as file:
                text = file.read()
        except FileNotFoundError:
            # If not a file path, assume input is text
            text = text_input

        # Check if text is empty
        if not text.strip():
            print("Error: Empty text.")
        else:
            # Count words and display result
            word_count = count_words(text)
            print(f"Word count: {word_count}")

        again = input("Do you want to count words for another text? (yes/no): ").lower()
        if again != 'yes':
            break

    print("Thank you for using Word Count Tool!")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

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