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# Techniques & Methods

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To get started, the Python sections are linked at the left -- [Python Set Up](https://developers.google.com/edu/python/set-up) to get Python installed on your machine, [Python Introduction](https://developers.google.com/edu/python/introduction) for an introduction to the language, and then [Python Strings](https://developers.google.com/edu/python/strings) starts the coding material, leading to the first exercise. The end of each written section includes a link to the code exercise for that section's material. The lecture videos parallel the written materials, introducing Python, then strings, then first exercises, and so on. At Google, all this material makes up an intensive 2-day class, so the videos are organized as the day-1 and day-2 sections.

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## findall and Groups

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| Step > Goal/ Value |
| Assumptions: |
| Additional Resources: |

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  # Open file  
  f = open('test.txt', 'r')  
  # Feed the file text into findall(); it returns a list of all the found strings  
  strings = re.findall(r'some pattern', f.read())