Objective

Create an API Server that reads a CSV file containing 100 person records, validates and stores them in memory, and provides two HTTP endpoints to retrieve this data.

Specifications

- 1. Create a CSV file called persons.csv that contains 100 records, each containing:
 - a. Id (string, unique (UUID v4))
 - b. First_Name (string)
 - c. Last_Name (string)
 - d. Email (string)
 - e. Salary (float, 2 decimals)
- 2. Server Behaviour
 - a. Start up and read persons.csv
 - b. Validate each record (check required fields and types)
 - c. Store valid records in memory as JSON
 - d. Provide the following REST endpoints:
 - i. GET /persons
 - 1. returns 10 records
 - ii. GET /persons/<id>
 - 1. returns the record for a specific "id"
 - e. Listen on port 8080

Implementation Outline

- 1. CSV Preparation
 - a. Ensure persons.csv has the required headers:
 - Id,First_Name,Last_Name,Email,Salary
 - b. Add 100 rows of valid data
- 2. Server Initialization
 - a. Choose a programming language (e.g., Python, Node.js, etc.)
 - b. On application start, read the persons.csv file from the project directory
- 3. Data Validation
 - a. Verify that each row has:
 - i. A non-empty Id (unique)
 - ii. Valid First Name, Last Name, and Email
 - iii. A properly formatted numeric Salary

- b. If any row fails validation, decide whether to skip it or stop the startup process
- 4. In-Memory Storage
 - a. Convert each valid row to JSON (or a dictionary/object)
 - Store all records in a list or dictionary in memory (e.g., persons_list or persons_dict)
- 5. API Endpoints
 - a. GET /persons
 - i. Return the first 10 records in JSON format
 - ii. Example response:

- b. GET /persons/<id>
 - i. Look up the person by id
 - ii. If found, return their record in JSON; otherwise, return a 404 error
- 6. Error Handling
 - a. CSV Errors: Log or skip invalid lines
 - b. 404: Return a "Person not found" message if an id isn't recognized
 - c. 500: Return an "Internal Server Error" message for unexpected issues
- 7. Testing
 - a. Use a simple tool (like curl or Postman) to send requests to:
 - i. GET http://localhost:8080/persons
 - ii. GET http://localhost:8080/persons/<id>
 - b. Verify correct records and status codes
- 8. Documentation
 - a. Create simple README.md file