Advanced JavaScript

the Call Stack

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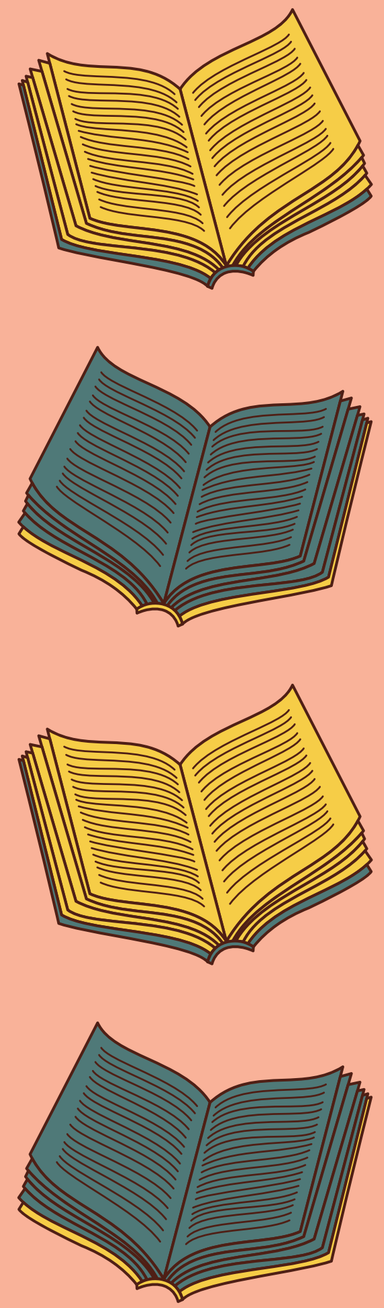
The mechanism the JS interpreter uses to keep track of its place in a script that calls multiple functions.

How JS "knows" what function is currently being run and what functions are called from within that function, etc.



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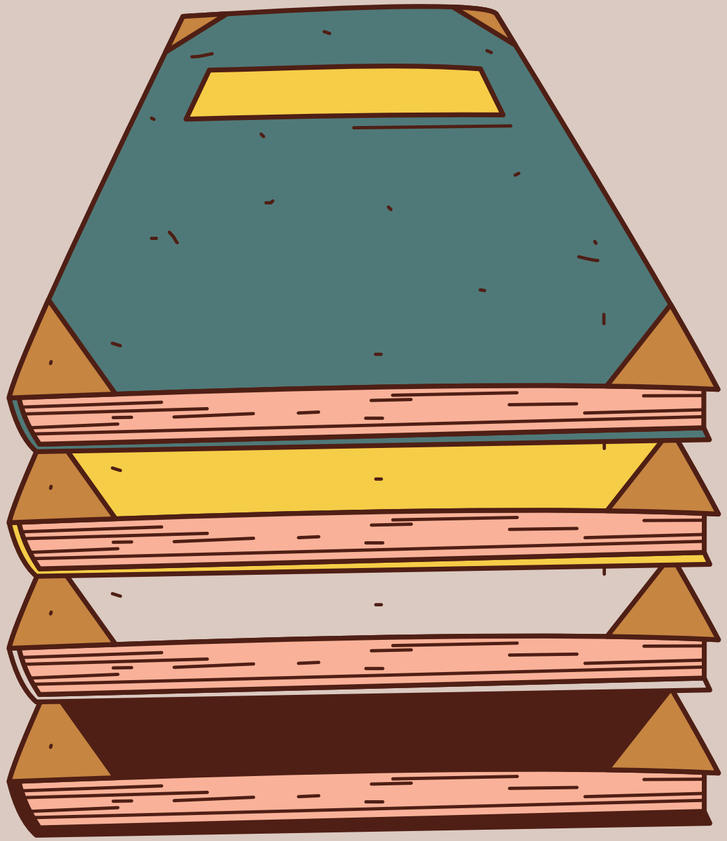

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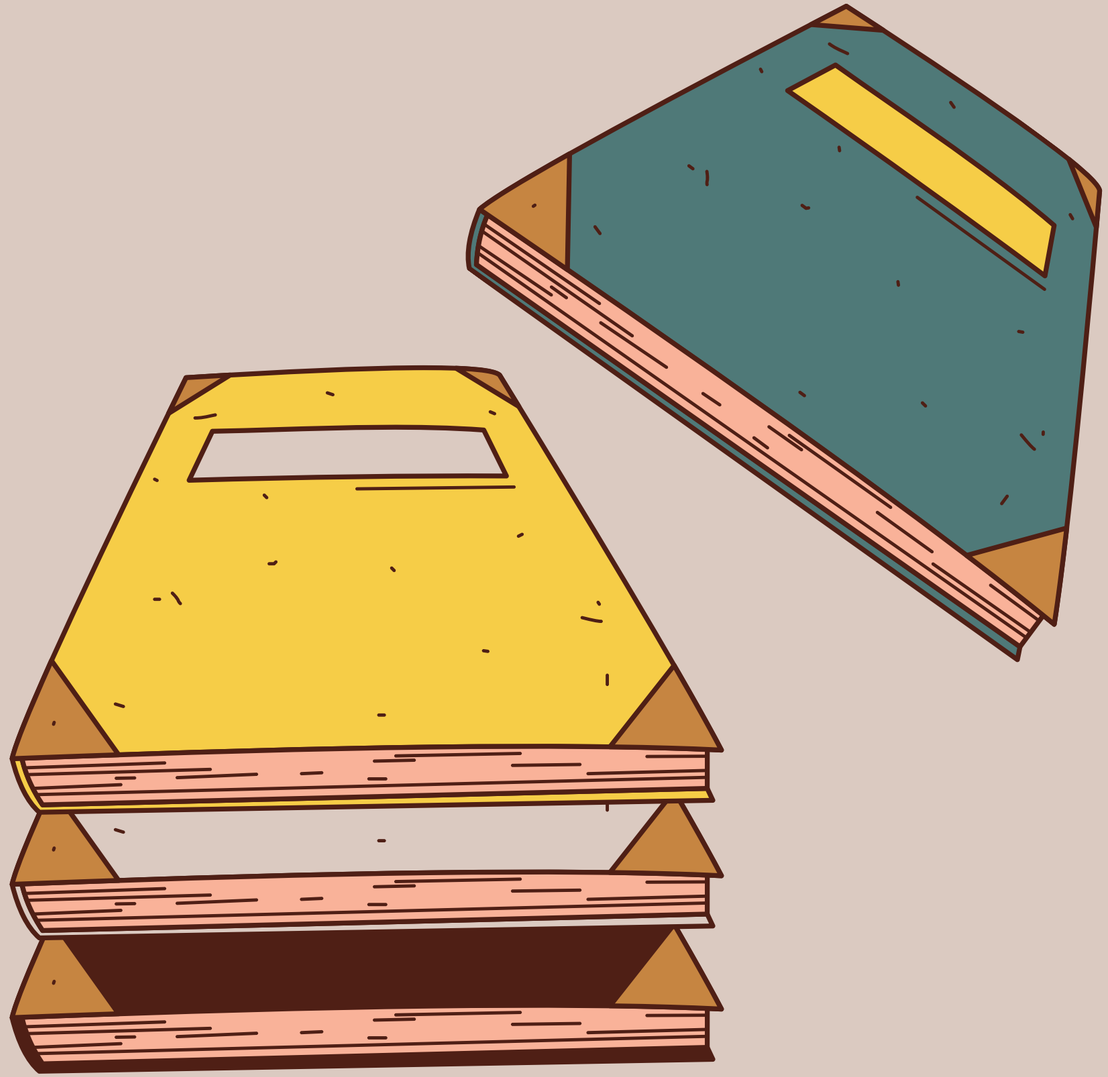
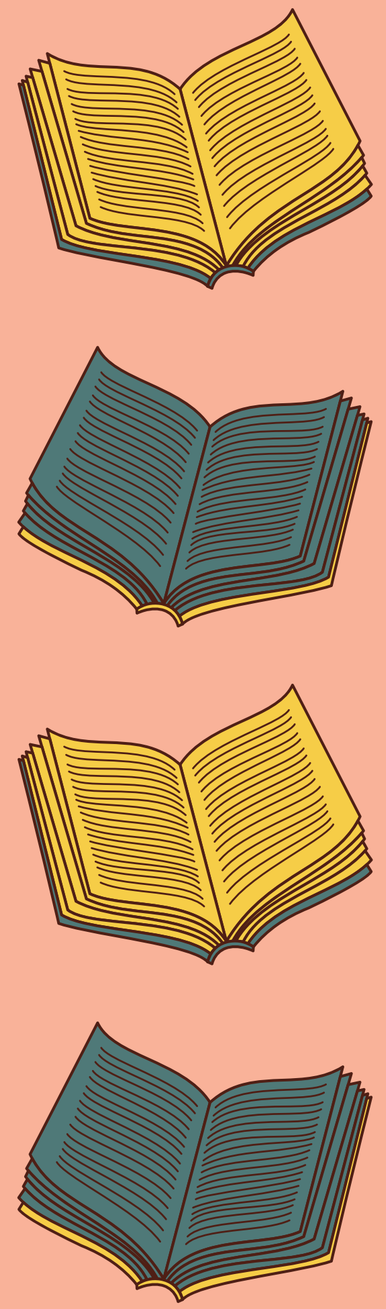


How It Works

- When a script calls a function, the interpreter adds it to the call stack and then starts carrying out the function.
- Any functions that are called by that function are added to the call stack further up, and run where their calls are reached.
- When the current function is finished, the interpreter takes it out of the stack and resumes execution where it left off in the last code listing.



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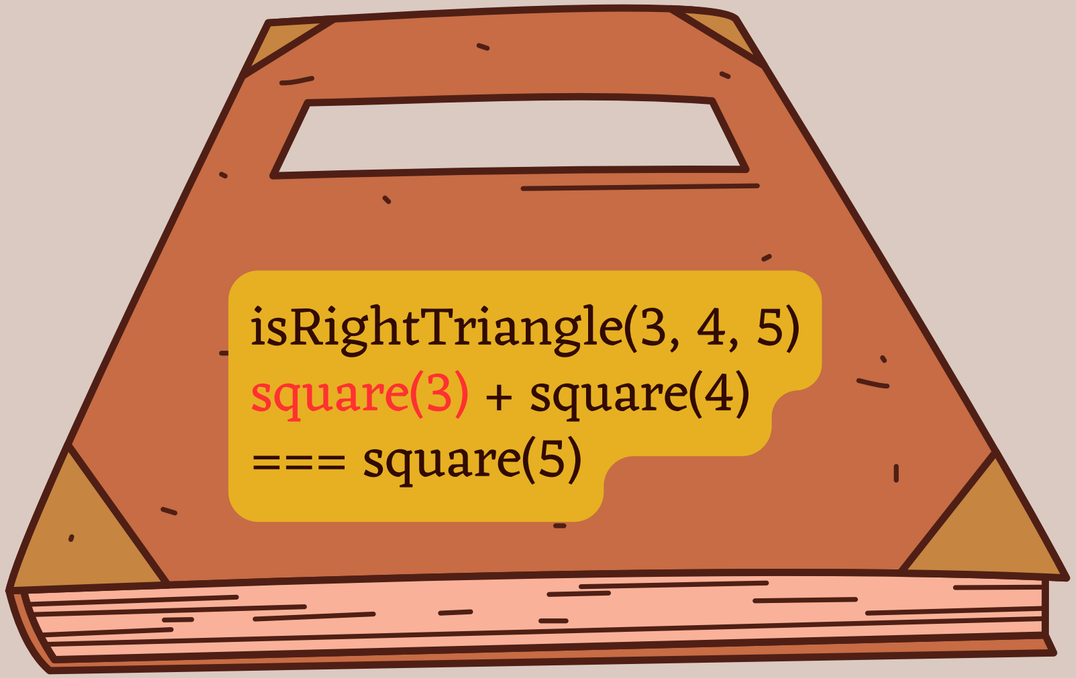

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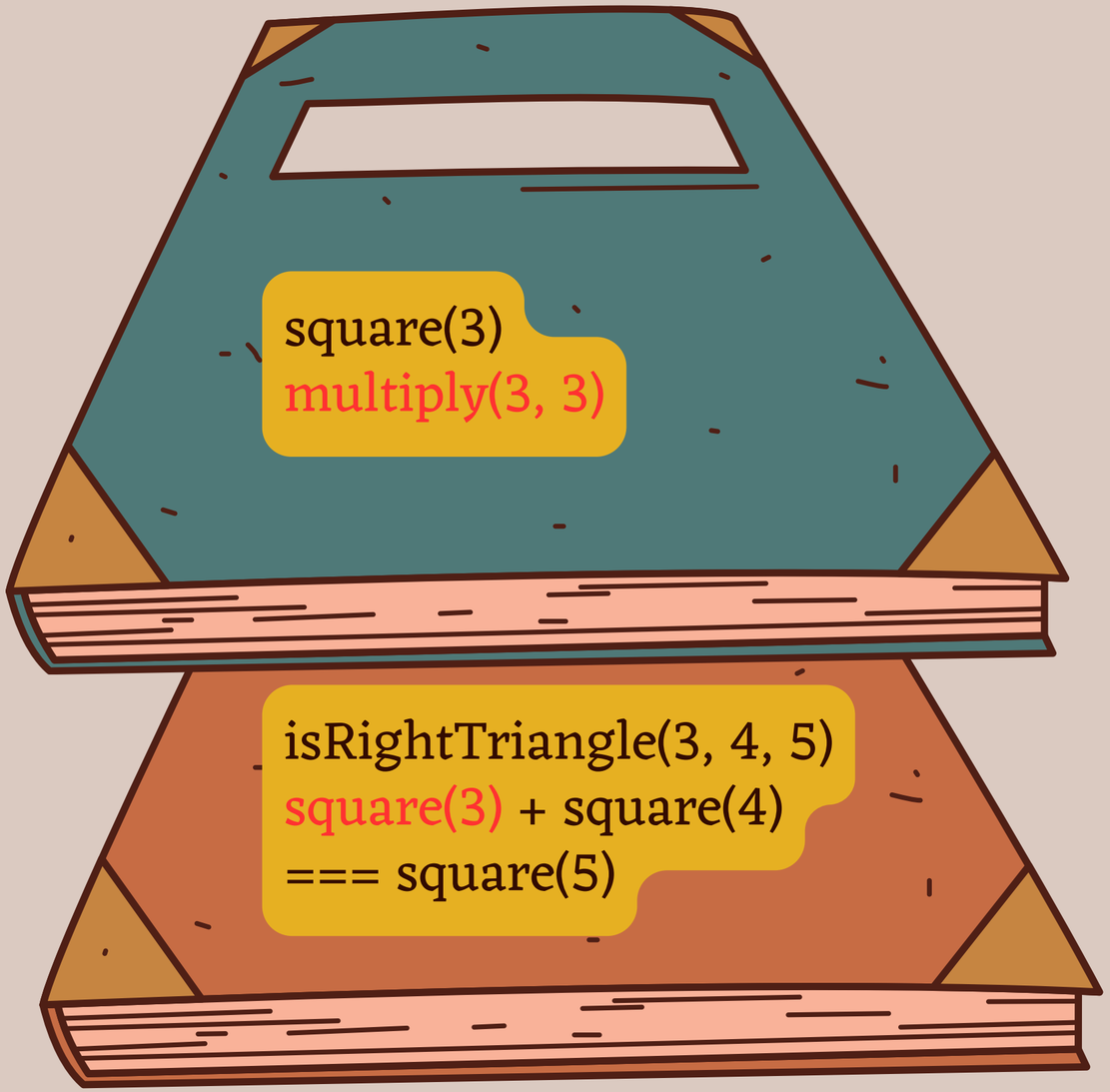

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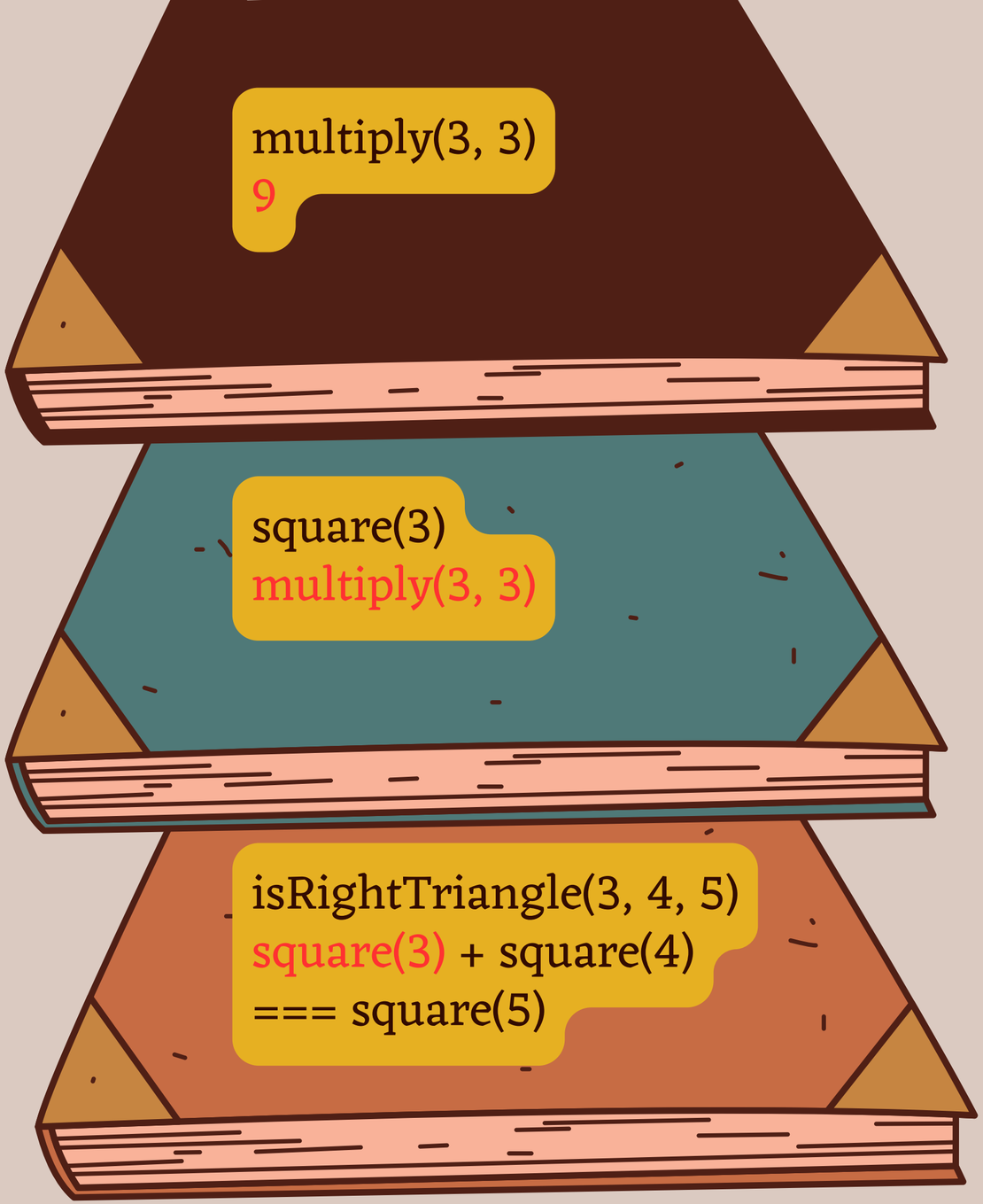

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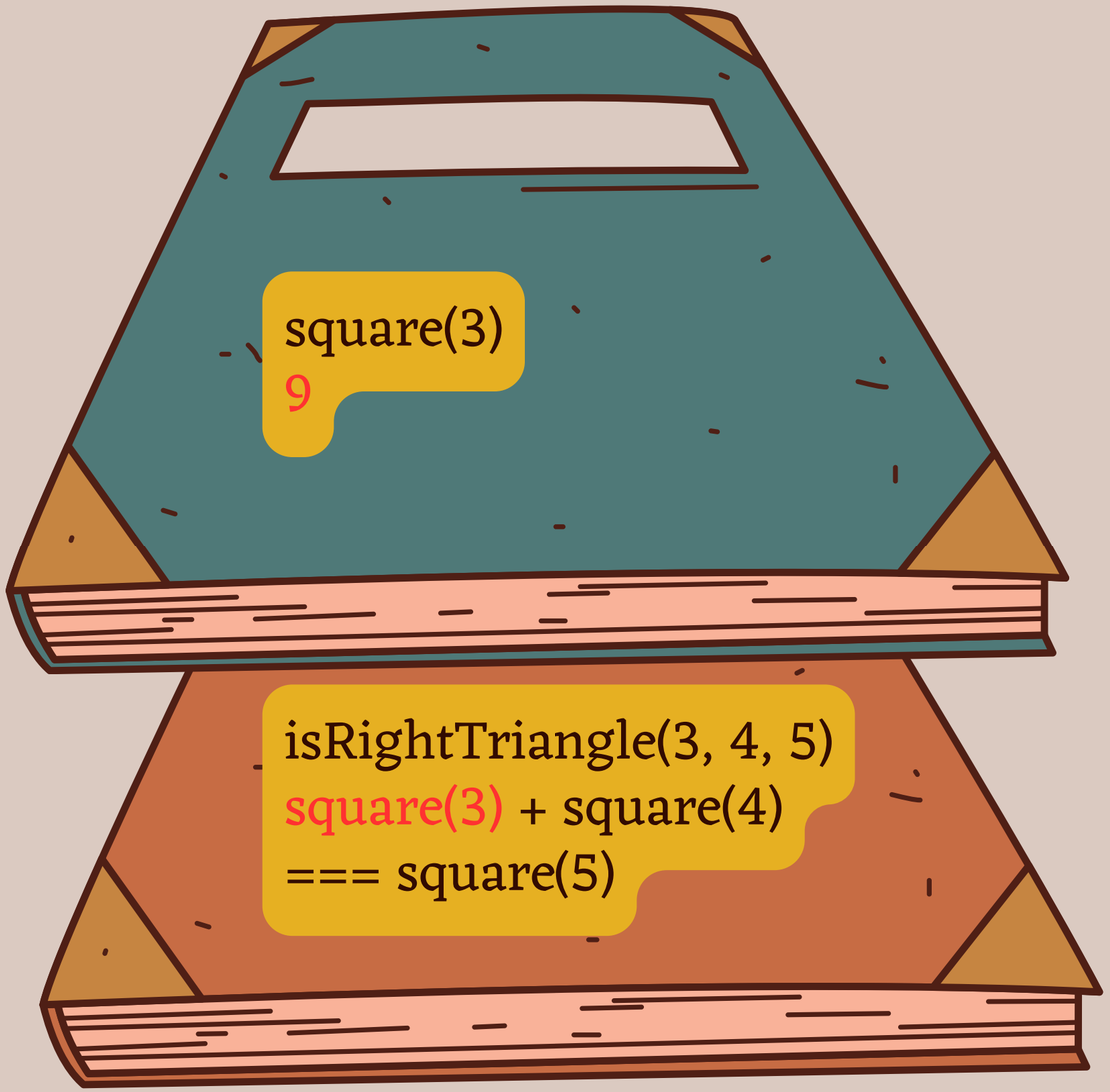

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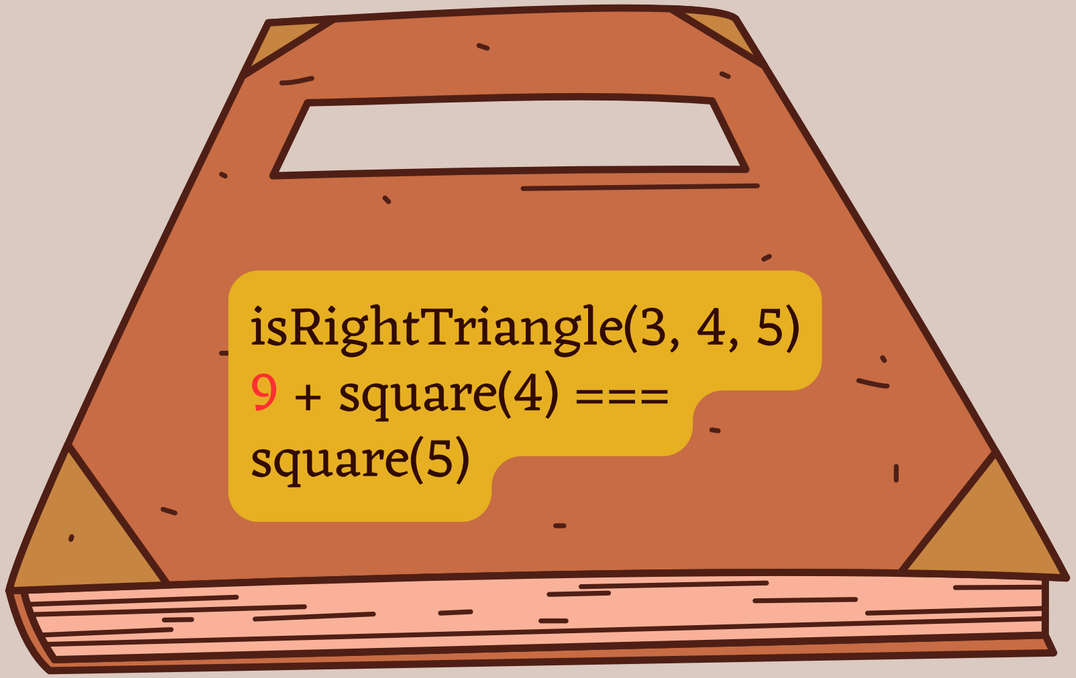

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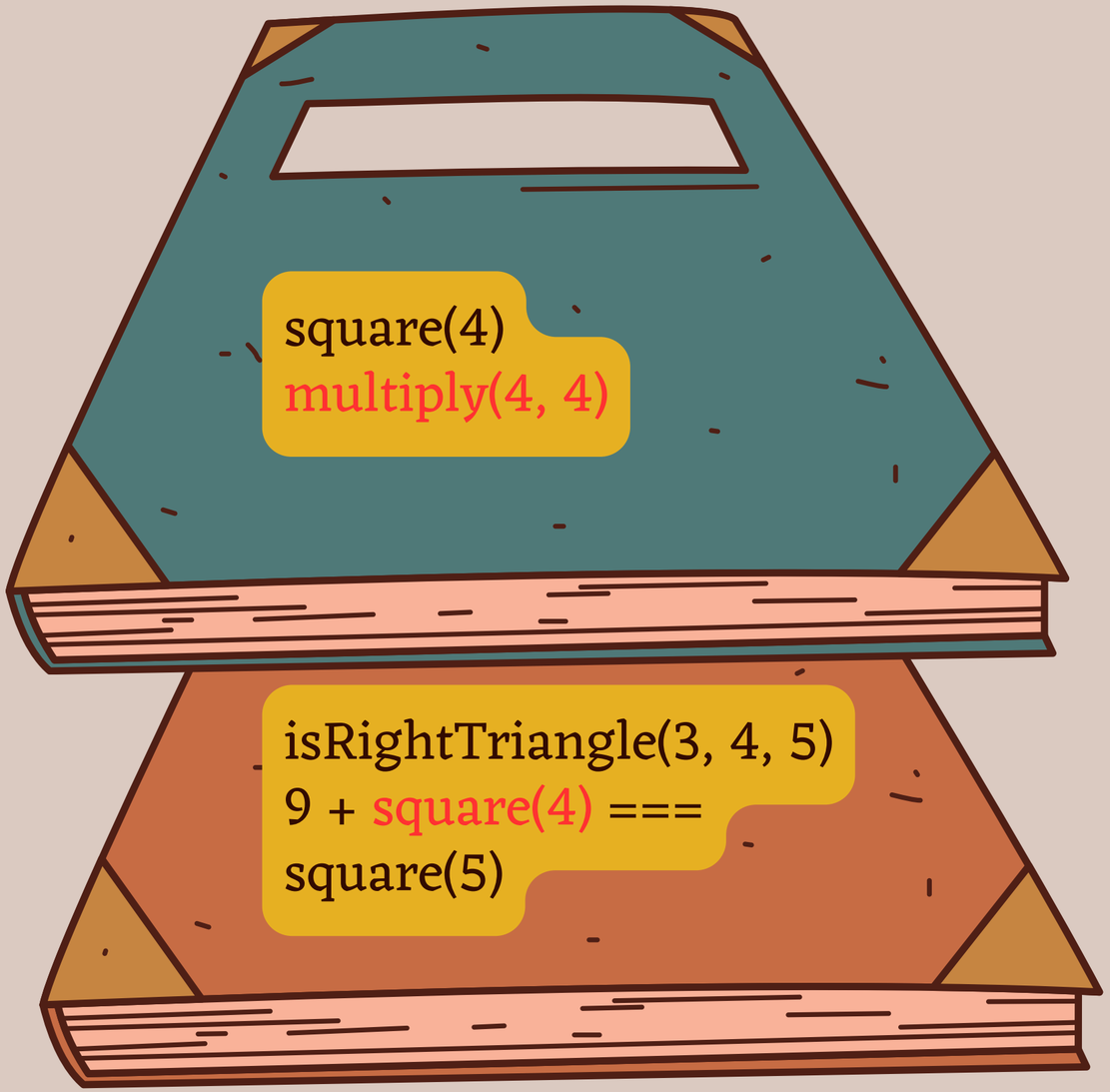

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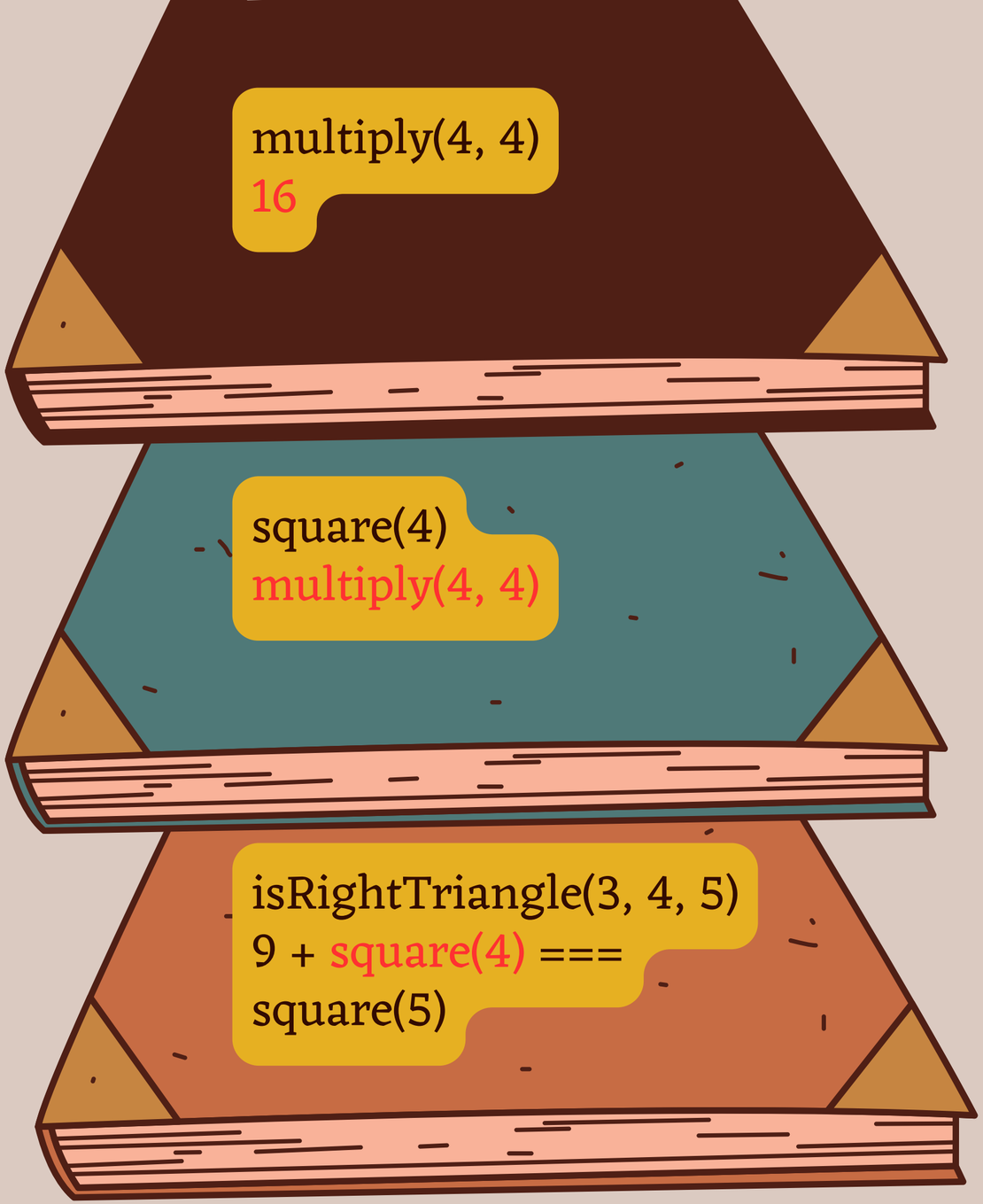

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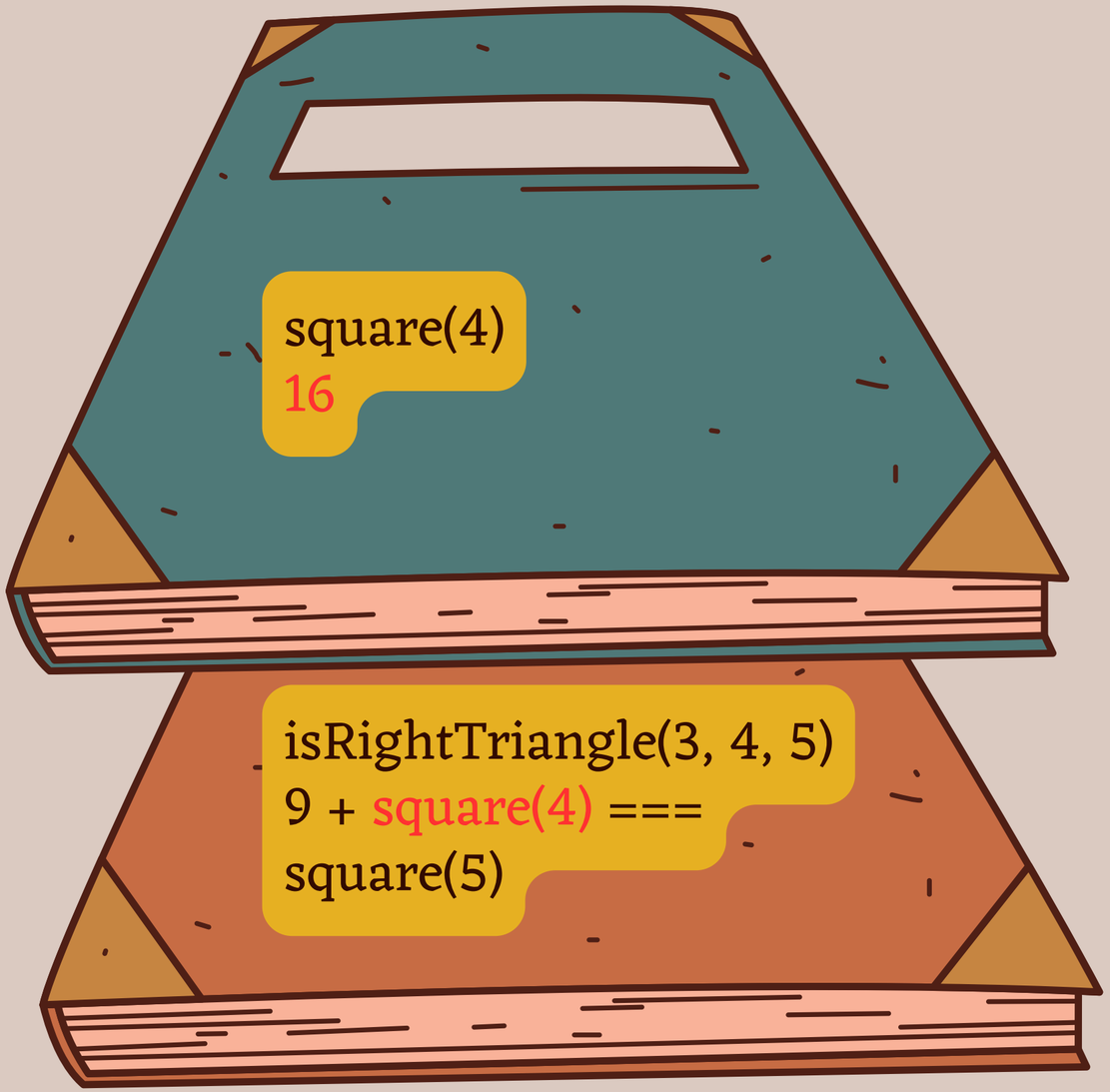

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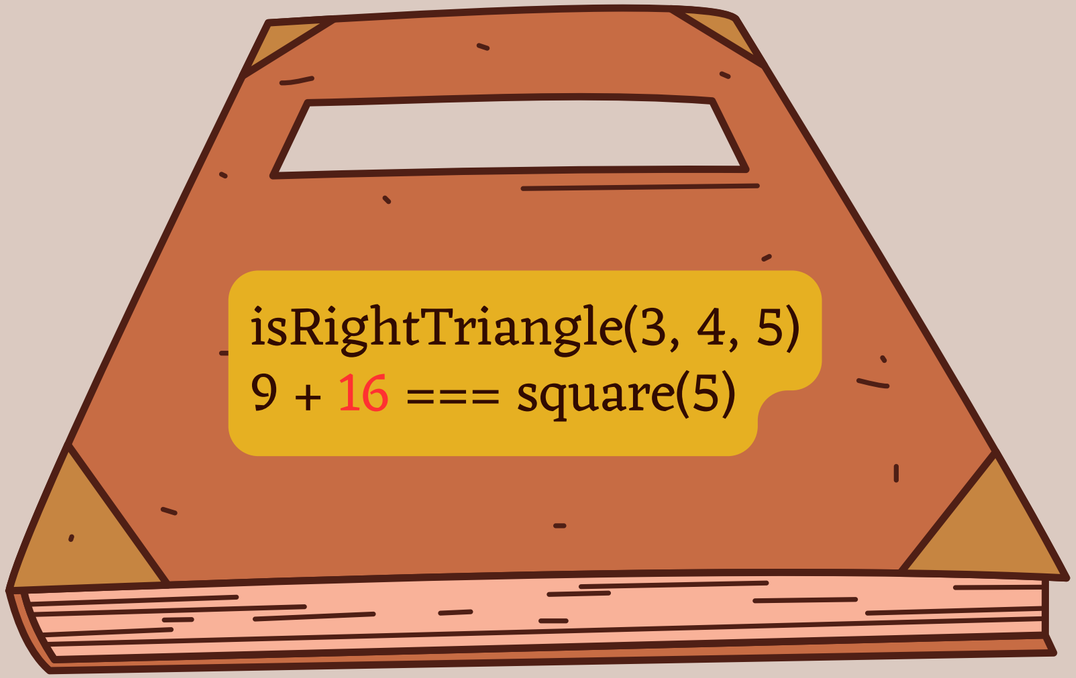

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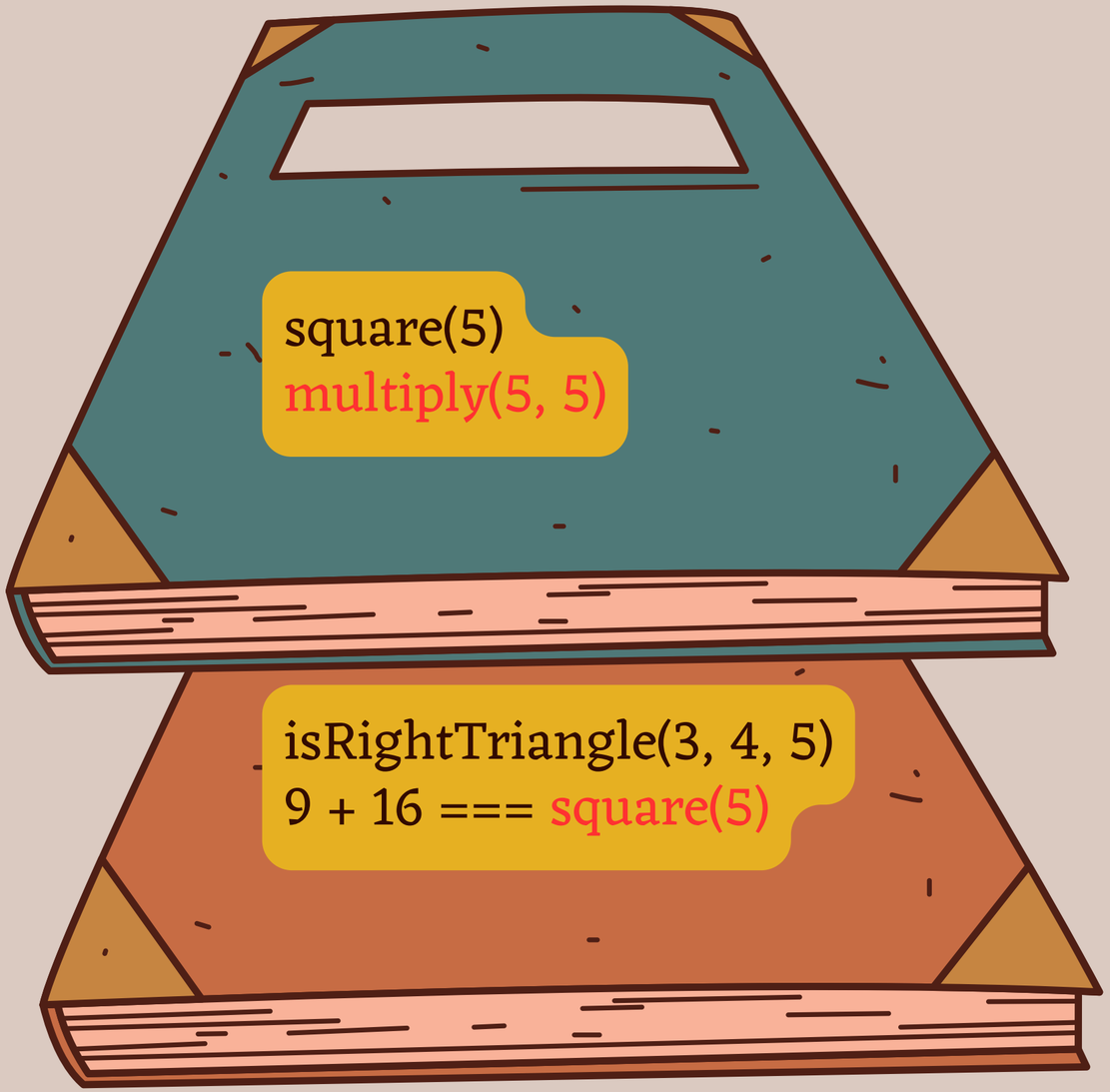

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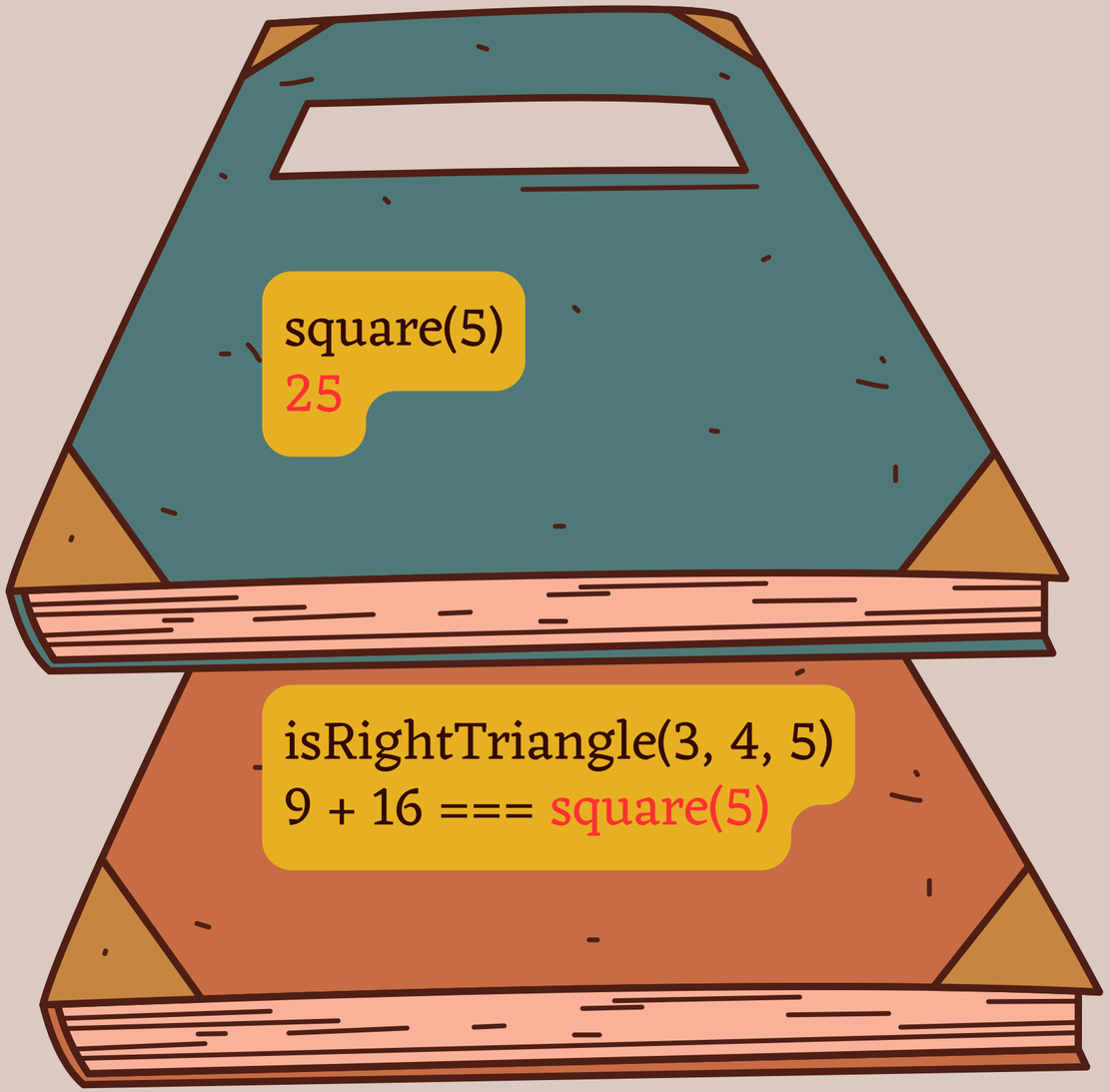

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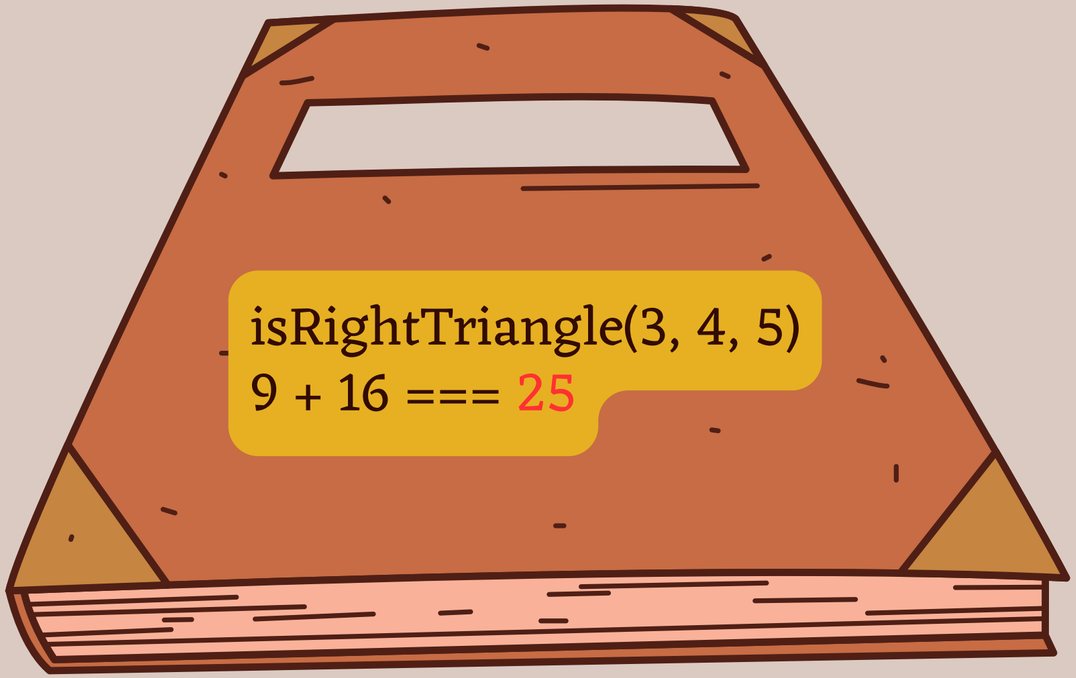

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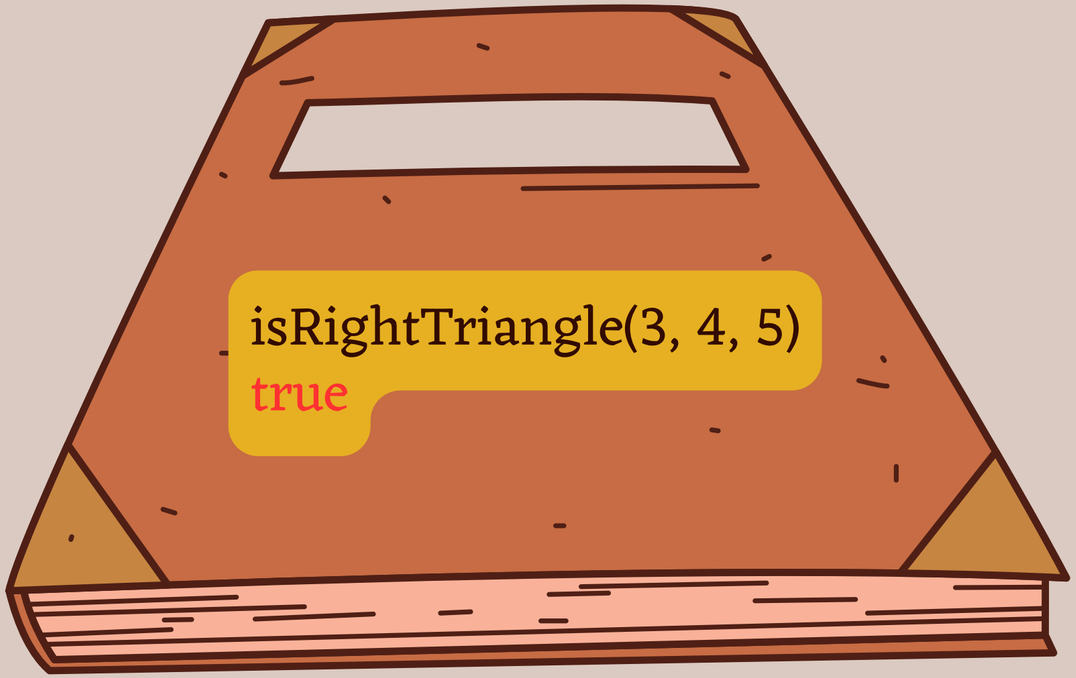

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