Further Reading

Many articles about the **pickle** module make references to **cPickle**. In Python 2, there were two implementations of the **pickle** module, one written in pure Python and another written in C (but still callable from Python). In Python 3, these two modules have been consolidated, so you should always just **import pickle**. You may find these articles useful, but you should ignore the now-obsolete information about **cPickle**.

On pickling with the pickle module:

- pickle module
- pickle and cPickle Python object serialization
- Using pickle
- Python persistence management

On JSON and the json module:

- json JavaScript Object Notation Serializer
- JSON encoding and ecoding with custom objects in Python

On pickle extensibility:

- Pickling class instances
- Persistence of external objects
- Handling stateful objects