

# Introduction to Python Dictionaries

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# ACT2-4

- Do Task 1 – Practice spotting errors in functions

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Save ACT2-4.py and MobyDick.txt to  
the *same* directory

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Writing *test cases* is important to make sure your program works!

# Slow Implementation

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    True if the string is in the list and False otherwise.'''  
    for e in myList:  
        if e == myElement:  
            return True  
    return False
```

```
def noReplicates(wordList):  
    '''Takes a list as argument,  
    returns list free of replicates'''  
    newList = []  
    for w in wordList:  
        if isElementOf(w, newList) == False:  
            newList = newList + [w]  
    return newList
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Slow!

*Many* list traversals!



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- **Replace** `readMobyDickShort()` with `readMobyDickAll()`
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- *Faster way to write* `noReplicates()`
  - What if we can sort the list?  
[ `'a'`, `'a'`, `'a'`, `'at'`, `'and'`, `'and'`, ..., `'zebra'` ]

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# Homework

- Sort your original list
- Make a new list, with initially only the first element of the original list
- For each element in the original list (from the second element on):
  - If that element is not the same as the previous
    - Add to the new list

Much faster!

Only *one* list traversal!



# Remember what we're doing...

- Doing text analysis
- Introducing you to *computer programming*
  - In Python!
  - ... and we are introducing these concepts *swiftly*
- Takes *practice*!
- Questions / office hours meetings are expected
  - We're here to help

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# A New Data Structure

- *A Data Structure* is simply a way to store information.
  - **Lists** are a type of data structure
    - We can have **lists** of integers, floats, strings, booleans, or any combination.
    - Organized **linearly** (indexed by a range of integers)

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Key-Value Pairs

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Initialize a dictionary  
with two key-value pairs

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Retrieve a value  
using the key

# Redefining things in the dictionary

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>>> freq2['a'] = freq2['a']+1
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Assign a new  
value to a key!



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Do Task 3

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Let's try it!

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a	[3]	1
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sat	[7]	1
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