

Computer Science 134

Introduction to Computer Science, in Python

HW Solutions HW 4 (Spring 2020)

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Below are some of the preferred answers for Homework 4.

1. **Question 1 (1pt):** `dateTup = (dateTup[0],) + (9,) + (dateTup[1],)`. Parentheses are optional, the 3 commas are not. `dateTup = (dateTup[0],day,dateTup[1])` is also correct, but you should also understand the first answer.
2. **Question 2 (1pt):** `colName, foundYear,colState = collegeInfo`. There might be other options, but focus on “simpler or more elegant”.
3. **Question 3 (2pt):** None will be stored in `bugDates` because `append` returns `None`. (Or some comparable explanation).
4. **Question 4 (2pt):** Use `.get(...)`, it's useful and important! No conditionals.

```
def processZip(zipCodes):
    oldZip = zipCodes.get('home', '01267')
    zipCodes['home'] = '01267'
    return oldZip
```

5. **Question 5 (2pt):** `firstData = [course.split()[0] for course in courseInfo.split(',')]`
It's also okay to use `strip()` (although it's not necessary for the first words, just anything after that!):
`firstData = [course.split()[0].strip() for course in courseInfo.split(',')]`
6. **Question 6a (1pt):** `byType = sorted(fruitData, key=lambda x: x[0])`
OR `byType = sorted(fruitData)`
7. **Question 6b (1pt):** `byType = sorted(fruitData, key=lambda x: (x[2], x[1]))`