

# CS21: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE

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# Outline Nov 30:

- Quiz 5: first 30 min
- Examples of abstraction/encapsulation
- baseball.py example
- ord/chr practice (cipher.py)

## Notes

- Lab 10 due **MONDAY** (no office hours Monday)
- Office hours **today! 3-5pm**
- **Ninja session tonight!**

# Abstraction/Encapsulation

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- Both abstract and encapsulated

```
kendre = Student("Kendre", 2020)  
name = kendre.getName()  
year = kendre.getYear()
```

# Advantages of encapsulation/abstraction

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  - 2) In online shopping you have a “Cart”, which is an abstract concept and is roughly the same across sites. Probably represented as a list underneath but user doesn't need to know.



Ord(..) and Chr(..)

# Using ord(..) and chr(..)

- We can use **ord(ch)** to obtain a numerical representation of a character
- When we compare characters (when searching or sorting, for example), we are really comparing their numerical representations
- We can use **chr(int)** to convert an integer back into a character

```
>>> ord('a')
97
>>> ord('b')
98
>>> 'a' < 'b'
True
>>> ord('A')
65
>>> ord('Z')
90
>>> ord(',')
44
>>> chr(90)
'Z'
>>> chr(101)
'e'
```

# Example of using ord/chr to create a cipher

```
"""
```

```
Create a cipher that can encode a string as a list of numbers, and then decode the list of numbers to form the original string. (Practice ord/chr)
```

Practice directory!

```
"""
```

```
def main():
```

```
    # two hidden messages, use chr(..) to decode them
```

```
    hidden1 = [72, 97, 112, 112, 121, 32, 70, 114, 105, 100, 97, 121, 33]
```

```
    hidden2 = [84, 104, 101, 32, 108, 97, 115, 116, 32, 113, 117, 105, 122, 32, 105, 115, 32, 111, 118, 101, 114, 33]
```

```
    decoded1 = decode(hidden1)
```

```
    print(decoded1)
```

```
    decoded2 = decode(hidden2)
```

```
    print(decoded2)
```

Back to baseball example