

# pandas\_basic\_data\_cleaning\_workbook\_answers

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## 1 PANDAS BASIC DATA CLEANING WORKBOOK ANSWERS

Remember, there are different ways to write code to get the same answer, so your answer can be correct and different to the answer example!

If you feel stuck and want some in person help, then have a look at the events page to join in a workshop <https://swamphen.co.uk/events>.

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In [ ]: # data from
        # https://www.kaggle.com/aparnashastry/building-permit-applications-data
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In [ ]: # import pandas and numpy
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
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In [ ]: # read in data
building = pd.read_csv('Building_Permits.csv')
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In [ ]: # print out the head
building.head()
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In [ ]: # check the info
building.info()
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In [ ]: # check how many items in each column are null, i.e. a nan value
pd.isnull(building).sum()
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In [ ]: # why do you think there is so much missing data?
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# covers all sorts of different projects where the buildings may
# not have that storie or suffix
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In [ ]: # what would be the best way to fill the missing data in the zipcode column?
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# look it up and fill it in
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In [ ]: # select the entries with Street Suffix equivalent to nan
np.where(building['Street Suffix'].isnull())
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In [ ]: # pull out the information for Street Name and Street Suffix for the first nan identif
print(building['Street Name'][143])
print(building['Street Suffix'][143])

In [ ]: # is the answer to the missing data in the street name?

# yes

In [ ]: # fill in this Street Suffix with the correct information from the street name
building['Street Suffix'][143] = building['Street Name'][143][12:16]

In [ ]: # check this has filled in the info ok
print(building['Street Suffix'][143])

In [ ]: # you could do all the other missed entries like this
# but there are over 2000 missing entries
# instead, just fill the other missing Street Suffix with the Street Name

missing = np.where(building['Street Suffix'].isnull())
print(missing)

In [ ]: for missed in missing:
    building['Street Suffix'][missed] = building['Street Name'][missed]

In [ ]: # check you have filled all the missing values
np.where(building['Street Suffix'].isnull())

In [ ]: # what is the most frequently occurring permit type?
building['Permit Type'].mode()

In [ ]: # find the missing permit types and fill them with the most frequently occurring permi
# type number

# there are no missing permit types
np.where(building['Permit Type'].isnull())

In [ ]: # how big is your data set?
building.shape

In [ ]: # remove all the rows that contain a nan
building = building.dropna()

In [ ]: # how big is your data set now?
building.shape

In [ ]: # is this a suitable approach for this data set?

# no!

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