1. Write a Python program to find the second smallest number in a list.

```python
In [1]: def second_smallest(numbers):
            if (len(numbers)<2):
                return
            if ((len(numbers)==2)  and (numbers[0] == numbers[1]) ):
                return
            dup_items = set()
            uniq_items = []
            for x in numbers:
                if x not in dup_items:
                    uniq_items.append(x)
                    dup_items.add(x)
                    uniq_items.sort()
            return  uniq_items[1]

        print(second_smallest([1, 2, -8, -2, 0]))
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2. Write a Python program to change a given string to a new string where the first and last chars have been exchanged

```python
In [2]: def exchg_strchar(str):
            return str[-1] + str[1:-1] + str[0]

        print(exchg_strchar("AIML-COURSE"))
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EIML-COURSA
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3. Write a Python function that takes a list of words and returns the length of the longest one

```python
In [3]: def long_word(lst):
            wordlen = len(lst[0])
            lword = lst[0]

            for i in lst:
                if (len(i) > wordlen):
                    wordlen = len(i)
                    lword = i

            print("Longest word is:", lword)
            print("Length of longest word is:", wordlen)

        lst = ["AIML", "JNTUH", "Hyderabad", "6Months"]
        long_word(lst)
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Longest word is: Hyderabad
Length of longest word is: 9
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4. Write a Python program to remove the nth index character from a nonempty string

```python
In [4]: string=input("Enter non-empty string:")
        n=int(input("Enter the index of the character to remove:"))
        first = string[:n]
        last = string[n+1:]
        print("String after deleting n'th index:",first+last)
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Enter non-empty string:AIML - COURSE
Enter the index of the character to remove:3
String after deleting n'th index: AIM - COURSE
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5. Check if a given key already exists in a dictionary

```python
In [5]: d = {1: 10, 2: 20, 3: 30, 4: 40, 5: 50, 6: 60}
        def is_key_present(x):
            if x in d:
                print('Key is present in the dictionary')
            else:
                print('Key is not present in the dictionary')

        is_key_present(5)
        is_key_present(9)
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Key is present in the dictionary
Key is not present in the dictionary
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