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(2012-04-24 17:05) ***: [Logging started]
(2012-04-24 17:06) sSh: Greetings.
(2012-04-24 17:06) myself: hi there
(2012-04-24 17:07) myself: what's up?
(2012-04-24 17:10) sSh: May I ask to whom I am speaking? A formality, of course.
(2012-04-24 17:10) myself: dpr, and you are?
(2012-04-24 17:11) sSh: This is squid.
(2012-04-24 17:11) myself: why do you keep changing ids?
(2012-04-24 17:11) sSh: I've figured it out so that this will be my permanent ID.
(2012-04-24 17:12) myself: sounds good. what have you been up to? sorry if the workflow has been disrupted in da's absence
(2012-04-24 17:13) sSh: I had formatted my system without saving my chat settings, then switched systems again. Now I have it so I can use this one.
(2012-04-24 17:15) sSh: I've been handling the forum and vendor profile reports. It only struck me after I sent the last report that da wouldn't be reviewing it. I've been watching the messages and can see that they are being taken care of.
(2012-04-24 17:20) myself: how do you send the reports?
(2012-04-24 17:20) sSh: DA has me send them over the main site's message system.
(2012-04-24 17:23) myself: do you have any experience with mysql or phpmyadmin?
(2012-04-24 17:24) sSh: I don't.
(2012-04-24 17:24) sSh: But I can learn.
(2012-04-24 17:34) myself: sorry, got distracted. tell you what. in your idle time learn your way through the following problem:
(2012-04-24 17:42) myself: we need all of the words on this url: <http://kisa.ca/scrabble/>
(2012-04-24 17:43) myself: to go into a mysql table with two columns
(2012-04-24 17:44) myself: one column is an auto-incrementing primary index called id, and the other is a column for the words
(2012-04-24 17:45) myself: so you'll end up with something like:
1, aardvark
2, apple
3, ant
...
(2012-04-24 17:45) myself: no rush on this, but I want you to have plenty to do until DA returns in a few days and this will be a good learning experience for you.
(2012-04-24 17:46) sSh: Okay, challenge accepted. To-do list updated :)
(2012-04-24 17:49) myself: awesome! let me know if you get really stuck and I'll see if I can shed some light.
(2012-04-24 20:38) myself: you there
(2012-04-24 20:38) myself: ?
(2012-04-24 21:50) sSh: Excuse me, I was eating. What's up?

(2012-04-24 21:51) myself: I've got another little side project for you. put the other one on hold and make this higher priority.

(2012-04-24 21:51) myself: do some research on tramadol. apparently it isn't clear where it should be listed on the site.

(2012-04-24 21:51) myself: come up with what you think is the best place to put a tramadol category

(2012-04-24 21:52) sSh: Alright. Looking into tramadol as we speak.

(2012-04-24 21:52) myself: really? you already were?

(2012-04-24 21:52) sSh: No, only now that you say so. Just saying that I'm getting right on it.

(2012-04-24 21:53) myself: ahh, I was like "what a coincidnece!"

(2012-04-24 21:53) myself: cool, thanks

(2012-04-24 21:53) sSh: My pleasure.

(2012-04-24 22:48) sSh: I can see were the conflict in categorizing Tramadol is coming from. People report a wide variety of effects; pain relief, stimulation, euphoria, and reduction of anxiety and phobia. Chemically it is both an opioid and a weakly acting SNRI, so it is most often perscribed as a pain controller, and rarely as an anti-depressant. Tramadol is a bit of an oddball in the way that it is all over the place. Of the categories we already have, it could be placed in Opioids, but with such a broad effects profile, it might be a good idea to relegate it to one of the more ambiguous categories like Pain Relief in perscriptions.

(2012-04-24 23:35) myself: great work. Thank you for the clear and informative report. I made a Tramadol catgory under Prescription -> Pain Relief. Please round up as many Tramadol categories as you can find and put them there. You can do that by putting the item id and the category id in the "change category" box on the support page. The item id is the last segment in the url of the item page url, and the category id for Tramadol is 283. Thanks shep!

(2012-04-24 23:37) sSh: Aye, Cap. I'm all over it.

(2012-04-25 00:28) myself: I just re-read my message. I said tramadol categories instead of tramadol listings. hopefully that was clear. I'm signing off for a bit, see you tomorrow.

(2012-04-25 00:29) sSh: I knew what you were getting at. Rest well, sir.

(2012-04-27 18:43) sSh: [delayed] Ahoy, how are you this fine day?

(2012-04-27 18:43) myself: I'm great, how bout you?

(2012-04-27 18:44) sSh: I'm doing very well indeed. I was up all night learning how to parse html. So a bit tired, but happy :)

(2012-04-27 18:50) sSh: I'm within sight of finishing the scrabble wordlist problem. i am working on what seems to be a relativey simple issue: Inserting multiple records simultaneously. I want to do it efficiently, so that it would take seconds, rather than minutes, to populate the table. Some one hundred seventy thousand entries makes for an intense table.

(2012-04-27 18:52) myself: well, we only need to do it once, so

don't worry about that too much
(2012-04-27 18:52) myself: so long as you can get the table into a .sql format to me, that should be fine.
(2012-04-27 18:54) sSh: Populating the table is the last issue I have to solve. I'll certainly have it done tonight.
(2012-04-27 18:54) myself: not bad for not knowing mysql a few days ago
(2012-04-27 18:55) myself: i need to reboot. be back in a sec
(2012-04-27 19:17) sSh: [delayed] For my selling an item assignment I have an idea. I don't have much of value, living the relatively austere lifestyle I do. But I do have a stash of trading cards that I think our nerdier buyers would appreciate. With everyone present being computer proficient, I'd imagine that a large portion is of that nerdier demographic.
(2012-04-27 19:26) myself: sounds good! Or you could buy something in bulk on the site and resell in smaller amounts. Since your goal is experience and not profit per se, hopefully you can spot an opportunity in the market if you look for it. On the other hand, probably better to just sell something you have on hand rather than getting into the illegal stuff. Also, you could put up a listing for just about anything on amazon and then when it sells, get an amazon gift card with bitcoins, but the item, and ship to whoever bought it on SR.
(2012-04-27 19:52) sSh: Thanks for the tips. The amazon listing is pretty clever. It's an elegant method of middlemanning for a few dollars without ever having to handle the product. Making some money out of nothing :)
(2012-04-27 19:53) myself: yep, as long as you can make the sale. the same item will obviously be cheaper to buy on amazon, so hopefully someone will value being able to spend bitcoins on sr enough to pay the premium.
(2012-04-28 00:32) sSh: I may have been a bit over confident in my earlier estimations of my project. I have run into a serious stumbling block concerning the sheer size of the information I'm working with. I may or may not have this issue solved tonight, but I'm focussed on finding a solution.
(2012-04-28 00:33) myself: ok
(2012-04-28 17:28) sSh: I've finished the code! I completed it mere minutes ago. It only took two solid all-nighters of programming after a week of frustration. It is so fresh you can smell the bits wafting through the air. :)
(2012-04-28 17:29) myself: haha, great work!
(2012-04-28 17:29) myself: let's have a look
(2012-04-28 17:31) myself: very close
(2012-04-28 17:31) myself: can you use your script to populate a mysql table of your own and then send me the table in .sql format?
(2012-04-28 17:31) sSh: Close? What did I miss?
(2012-04-28 17:32) sSh: Give just a moment and it shall be done.
(2012-04-28 17:41) myself: awesome!
(2012-04-28 17:41) myself: have you reconnected with DA?
(2012-04-28 17:42) sSh: I have. I'm happy to say we've gotten up

