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# **python-goodreads Documentation**

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## No Longer Maintained

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Please see: <https://github.com/sefakilic/goodreads> for a much more fully implemented wrapper.

If you are interested in *this* code base, significant work was put into an improved implementation but is still unfinished:  
<https://github.com/paulshannon/python-goodreads/tree/feature/rewrite>



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## Goodreads

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A Python wrapper for the goodreads.com api

- Documentation: <http://python-goodreads.rtfid.org/>
- Code: <https://github.com/paulshannon/python-goodreads>
- Free software: BSD license

### 2.1 Features

- Coming soon



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## Installation

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At the command line:

```
$ easy_install goodreads
```

Or, if you have virtualenvwrapper installed:

```
$ mkvirtualenv goodreads  
$ pip install goodreads
```



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### Usage

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To use the [Goodreads API](#) you need to acquire a [Developer Key](#) and [Developer Secret](#) from Goodreads.

To use Goodreads in a project:

```
import goodreads
```



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## Examples

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User Authorization:

```
from config import DEVELOPER_KEY, DEVELOPER_SECRET
from goodreads import Goodreads

g = Goodreads(DEVELOPER_KEY, DEVELOPER_SECRET)

authorize_url = g.oauth_authorize_url()

print 'Please authorize at: %s' % authorize_url
accepted = 'n'
while accepted.lower() == 'n':
    # you need to access the authorize_link via a browser,
    # and proceed to manually authorize the consumer
    accepted = raw_input('Have you authorized me? (y/n) ')

token = g.oauth_retrieve_token()
print 'You need to save key: \'%s\' and secret: \'%s\'' % (token.key, token.secret)
```

Author:

```
from config import DEVELOPER_KEY, DEVELOPER_SECRET, AUTHORS
from goodreads import Goodreads
import pprint

author_id = AUTHORS[0]['id']

g = Goodreads(DEVELOPER_KEY, DEVELOPER_SECRET)

g.author_show(author_id)

for book in g.author_books(author_id):
    pprint.pprint(book)
```

User:

```
from config import DEVELOPER_KEY, DEVELOPER_SECRET, AUTH_USER, NON_AUTH_USER, SECONDARY_AUTH_USER
from goodreads import Goodreads

g = Goodreads(DEVELOPER_KEY, DEVELOPER_SECRET, SECONDARY_AUTH_USER['token'], SECONDARY_AUTH_USER['token'])
c = g.user_followers(SECONDARY_AUTH_USER['id'])
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## Contributing

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Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given. You can contribute in many ways:

### 6.1 Types of Contributions

#### 6.1.1 Report Bugs

Report bugs at <https://github.com/paulshannon/python-goodreads/issues>.

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

#### 6.1.2 Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### 6.1.3 Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “feature” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### 6.1.4 Write Documentation

Goodreads could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official Goodreads docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

#### 6.1.5 Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at <https://github.com/paulshannon/python-goodreads/issues>.

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

## 6.2 Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up *goodreads* for local development.

1. Fork the *goodreads* repo on GitHub.
2. Clone your fork locally:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/python-goodreads.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have virtualenvwrapper installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development:

```
$ mkvirtualenv goodreads
$ cd goodreads/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox:

```
$ flake8 goodreads tests
$ python setup.py test
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

## 6.3 Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 2.6, 2.7, and 3.3, and for PyPy. Check [https://travis-ci.org/paulshannon/python-goodreads/pull\\_requests](https://travis-ci.org/paulshannon/python-goodreads/pull_requests) and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

## 6.4 Tips

To run a subset of tests:

```
$ python -m unittest tests.test_goodreads
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**Credits**

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## 7.1 Development Lead

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## 7.2 Contributors

OAuth code adapted from: <https://gist.github.com/gpiancastelli/537923>



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## History

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### 8.1 0.1.2 (2014-02-19)

- **made all methods visible**
  - raises `NotImplementedError`

### 8.2 0.1.1 (2014-02-18)

- rename external references to `python-goodreads`

### 8.3 0.1.0 (2014-02-18)

- First release on PyPI.



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## Indices and tables

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