

## Re: Misleading wikipedia article on Python 3?

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Evan Klitzke wrote:

You can easily modify print in a safe way.

Yes, but you'd still have to replace the builtin print function with your own to get it used by non-cooperative code. That doesn't seem to gain you much over replacing sys.stdout with something that intercepts and logs stuff written to it.

> What do you find wrong with this sort of "monkeypatching"?

At least sys.stdout was designed somewhat with the possibility of replacing it in mind. It's not an entirely unexpected thing to do. Replacing something in the builtin namespace seems like a more drastic step, somehow.

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Greg

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