

Red, Green, and Gray In-between!

I open up the APT, always start with the required
If I look through lecture, the answer I will acquire!
Oh, what's this? Hint one *and* hint two?
Looks like I need to use a priority queue!

First attempt, all red
Looks like my helper method is dead
At least my code complied
Maybe Stack Overflow will be worthwhile

Second attempt, all gray
Null pointer exception for days
Must be a problem with my loop
I should use recursion, that's the scoop!

Third attempt, I try recursion
It can't be *that* confusing, I say to my aversion
Before 201, I wouldn't touch it with a 10-foot pole
Wait never mind my mind is collapsing into a black hole

What's the base case again? Root equals null?
I say this holding my hands to my skull
I've been doing this for hours, I'm going to go berserk
Just recurse on root.left and hope that will work

13th attempt, surely this is the last
I have 15 minutes till grace ends, so this better be fast
Refresh the page hoping for R:0, B:0, G: two fifty six
This is my last submission, there's no time to fix!

Finally as the page loads, I hope my agony will go
I peep at the score: one point oh oh oh oh
I stare at that beautiful grid of all green
I throw my computer up in the air and scree....

Fill out 10 reflection forms.