

# Worksheet 13: Python While Loop

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## Instructions

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- Answer in the blanks.
  - For “write code” questions, write valid Python code.
  - For “what does it print” questions, write the exact output.
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## Part A – While Loop Basics

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### 1) Fill in the blanks: What is a `while` loop?

A `while` loop keeps running while the condition is \_\_\_\_\_. (True or False?)

- The condition is checked \_\_\_\_\_ each loop. (Before or after?)
  - The code inside the loop must be indented \_\_\_\_\_ spaces.
  - If variables inside the loop don't change, the while loop \_\_\_\_\_ stop. (Will or won't?)
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### 2) What does this print?

```
i = 3

while i <= 7:
    print(i)
    i = i + 2
```

Output:

### 3) Fix the infinite loop

This loop will never stop. Add **one line** so it counts down and stops.

```
n = 5

while n > 0:
    print(n)
    # add one line here
```

Expected output:

```
5
4
3
2
1
```

#### 4) What does this print?

```
x = 1
total = 0

while x <= 4:
    total = total + x
    x = x + 1

print(total)
```

Output:

### Part B – Digits with // and %

#### 5) Count digits

What is the output?

```
n = 9000
count = 0

while n > 0:
    count = count + 1
    n = n // 10

print(count)
```

Output:

## 6) Sum of digits

What is the output?

```
n = 507
total = 0

while n > 0:
    x = n % 10
    total = total + x
    n = n // 10

print(total)
```

Output:

## 7) Product of digits (write code)

Write code to compute the **product** of the digits of `n = 2468`.

(Example: for `2468`, the answer is `2 * 4 * 6 * 8`.)

```
n = 2468  
  
product = 1  
  
# complete the code:
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## 8) Count even digits

What is the output?

```
n = 24861  
count_even = 0  
  
while n > 0:  
    digit = n % 10  
    if digit % 2 == 0:  
        count_even = count_even + 1  
    n = n // 10  
  
print(count_even)
```

Output:

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## Part C – Lists with `while`

### 9) Fibonacci numbers up to 20

What is the output?

```
fib = [1, 1]

while fib[-2] + fib[-1] <= 20:
    fib.append(fib[-2] + fib[-1])

print(fib)
```

Output:

## 10) Squares up to 50 (write code)

Build a list of squares `1 * 1, 2 * 2, 3 * 3, ...` while the square is `<= 50`.

Complete the code:

```
squares = []
i = 1

while _____:
    _____ # append something to the list
    _____ # increment i

print(squares)
```

Expected output:

```
[1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49]
```

## 11) Traverse a list with an index

What is the output?

```
numbers = [10, 20, 30]
i = 0

while i < len(numbers):
    print(numbers[i])
    i = i + 1
```

Output:

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## Part D – Collatz Game

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### 12) Collatz list

What is the output?

```
n = 6
result = [n]

while n != 1:
    if n % 2 == 0:
        n = n // 2
    else:
        n = 3 * n + 1
    result.append(n)

print(result)
```

Output:

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### 13) Fill in the Collatz rules

Understand the code in Question 12. Then fill in the blanks:

- If **n** is even: **n** = \_\_\_\_\_
  - If **n** is odd: **n** = \_\_\_\_\_
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### 14) Challenge: Count Collatz steps (write code)

- Start with **n** = 7. Count how many steps it takes to reach **1**.
- Rules are defined in Question 12 and Question 13.
- Print the number of steps (do **not** count the starting number as a step).

```
n = 7
steps = 0

while n != 1:
    if _____: # n is even
        n =
    else: # n is odd
        n =
    steps =

print(steps)
```

Expected output:

```
16
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