

Worksheet 12: Python Nested For-Loop

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Instructions

- Answer in the blanks.
 - For “write code” questions, write valid Python code (no functions needed).
 - For “what does it print” questions, write the **exact** output (line by line).
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Part A — Nested loop basics

1) Outer vs inner (how many times?)

Fill in the blanks.

- The **outer** loop runs _____ times.
- The **inner** loop runs _____ times for each outer step.
- Total number of lines printed = _____.

```
for outer in [1, 2, 3]:  
    for inner in ["A", "B"]:  
        print(outer, inner)
```

2) What does it print?

```
xs = [1, 2]  
ys = [10, 20]  
  
for x in xs:  
    for y in ys:  
        print(x + y)
```

Output:

3) Build all coordinate pairs (fill in the blanks)

Goal: build this list:

```
[[0, 0], [0, 1], [0, 2], [1, 0], [1, 1], [1, 2]]
```

Complete the code:

```
result = []

for x in [0, 1]:
    for y in [0, 1, 2]:
        result.append([____, ____])

print(result)
```

Part B — 2D lists (list of lists)

4) 2D list print (what does it print?)

```
words = [
    ["hi", "bye"],
    ["yes", "no"]
]

for row in words:
    for w in row:
        print(w)
```

Output:

5) Flatten a 2D list (fill in the blanks)

Goal:

```
flat = [2, 4, 6, 1, 3, 5]
```

Complete the code:

```
grid = [  
    [2, 4, 6],  
    [1, 3, 5]  
]  
  
flat = []  
  
for _____ in grid:  
    for _____ in _____:  
        flat.append(_____)  
  
print(flat)
```

6) Flatten but skip zeros (fill in the blanks)

Goal:

```
flat = [1, 2, 3]
```

Complete the code:

```
grid = [  
    [0, 1, 0],  
    [2, 0, 3]  
]  
  
flat = []  
  
for row in grid:  
    for x in row:  
        if x _____ 0:  
            flat.append(x)  
  
print(flat)
```

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7) Sum all numbers in a 2D list (what does it print?)

```
nums = [  
    [1, 2, 3],  
    [4, 5, 6]  
]  
  
total = 0  
  
for row in nums:  
    for x in row:  
        total = total + x  
  
print(total)
```

Output:

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8) Count numbers > 5 (what does it print?)

```

grid = [
    [2, 7],
    [6, 5],
    [9, 1]
]

count = 0

for row in grid:
    for x in row:
        if x > 5:
            count = count + 1

print(count)

```

Output:

Part C — Build new lists with nested loops

9) Multiplication table (fill in the blanks)

Goal:

```
[[1, 2, 3], [2, 4, 6], [3, 6, 9]]
```

Complete the code:

```

numbers = [1, 2, 3]
table = []

for a in numbers:
    row = []
    for b in numbers:
        row.append(a _____ b)
    table.append(_____)

print(table)

```

10) Print a rectangle of stars (what does it print?)

```
rows = 3
cols = 5

for r in range(rows):
    line = ""
    for c in range(cols):
        line = line + "*"
    print(line)
```

Output:

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11) Pairs in a different order (write code)

Goal:

```
["R1", "B1", "R2", "B2", "R3", "B3"]
```

Write code to produce the list above.

```
colors = ["R", "B"]
numbers = [1, 2, 3]

result = []

# write code here


print(result)
```

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12) “Sandwich combos” (what does it print?)

```
bread = ["white", "wheat"]
fillings = ["ham", "egg", "cheese"]

combos = []

for b in bread:
    for f in fillings:
        combos.append(b + " " + f)

print(combos)
```

Output:

Part D — Debugging and challenges

13) Fix the bug (row sums)

You are given a 2D list such as:

```
grid = [
    [1, 2, 3],
    [4, 5, 6]
]
```

You are required to compute the **row sum**:

- $1 + 2 + 3 = 6$
- $4 + 5 + 6 = 15$

So the expected output is:

```
[6, 15]
```

Chelsea wrote the following code, and it is **wrong**. It prints the wrong list.

```
grid = [  
    [1, 2, 3],  
    [4, 5, 6]  
]  
  
sums = []  
row_sum = 0  
  
for row in grid:  
    for x in row:  
        row_sum = row_sum + x  
    sums.append(row_sum)  
  
print(sums)
```

The output of the **wrong code** is:

To get the expected output, you can add or move **one line of code** to fix the wrong code. Please tell Chelsea how to fix the code:

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14) 1D list → 2D list (what does it print?)


```

nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

grid = []
idx = 0

for r in range(2):
    row = []
    for c in range(3):
        row.append(nums[idx])
        idx = idx + 1
    grid.append(row)

print(grid)

```

Output:

15) Find the largest number in a 2D list (fill in the blanks)

Complete the code so it prints the largest number.

```

grid = [
    [3, 7, 2],
    [9, 1, 5]
]

max_val = grid[0][0]

for row in grid:
    for x in row:
        if x > max_val:
            max_val = _____

print(max_val)

```

16) Make a list of coordinates (what does it print?)

```
result = []

for r in range(2):
    for c in range(3):
        result.append(str(r) + "," + str(c))

print(result)
```

Output: