

# Code Bot

# “Hello World”


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# So we've made a bot that lives! Let's give it function!

Let's make another event for our bot!

**This time, it's going to respond to messages!**

```
11  @client.event
12  async def on_message(message):
```



This is the incoming  
message that we can check!

# First, let's check that the message sent wasn't the bot!

We're going to use what we already know, **if statements**!

Let's check:

1. **If the message is the bot, return** to normal and don't do anything!
2. Otherwise, we do nothing and move on!



Basically, check if the bot sent the message.

# Checking the message

```
11  @client.event
12  async def on_message(message):
13      |  if message.author == client.user:
14      |  |  return
```

If it is **equal** to the client,  
**return** and **stop** this check.

This gets who the author  
of the message is.

Checks if it's **EQUAL** to  
the client!

If the message wasn't the client, we move on!

# How do Discord bots know what messages to respond to?

Bots usually have a **specific command key they look for!**

Each bot is different! You get to choose your command key!

Some use #, \$, or @.

I've chosen to pick **jp\_**

These are my initials before my actual command.

If you're working off of my Development Server, claim your command key [here](#).

# Now we can check the message for our command!

The line of code below checks if the message starts with 'jp\_hello'.

```
16 | if message.content.startswith('jp_hello'):
```

**This is the command I'm checking!**



# Command is true!

If this if statement is true in that the message does contain 'jp\_hello'

Then we've received our command!

```
16 | if message.content.startswith('jp_hello'):  
17 |     await message.channel.send('Hello World!')
```



Now we can message back to the  
channel "Hello World!"



# Our code overall

This code creates a bot that prints out “Hello World”!

main.py ×

```
1  import discord
2  import os
3  my_secret = os.environ['TOKEN']
4
5  client = discord.Client()
6
7  @client.event
8  async def on_ready():
9      print('We have logged in as {0.user}'.format(client))
10
11  @client.event
12  async def on_message(message):
13      if message.author == client.user:
14          return
15
16      if message.content.startswith('jp_hello'):
17          await message.channel.send('Hello World!')
18
19  client.run(my_secret)
```

# Let's run it!

Once it says it's ready and running! Let's enter a command into our Discord server!

Once online, type your command! It should respond!



# Lab: Discord Bot

1. Expand the commands your bot can receive!
  - a. Be creative, add whatever you want!
2. For this lab, create the “hbd” command.
  - a. This command prints out the Happy Birthday song to the user!
3. Challenge
  - a. Print it out with the authors name!