

# Create your own Python modules.

## Section 11, Lecture 68

A module is a file containing Python definitions and statements. The file name is the module name with the suffix .py

create hello.py then write the following function:

```
def helloworld():
```

```
    print "hello"
```

```
>>> import hello
```

```
>>> hello.helloworld()
```

```
'hello'
```

```
>>>
```

To group many .py files put them in a folder. Any folder with an `__init__.py` is considered a module by python and you can call them a package

```
| -HelloModule
```

```
| -__init__.py
```

```
| -hellomodule.py
```

You can go about with the import statement on your module the usual way.

For more information:

<http://docs.python.org/2/tutorial/modules.html#packages>  
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