# PythonString format() Method

The **format()** method formats the specified value(s) and inserts them inside the string's placeholder. The placeholder is defined using curly brackets: **{}**. The format() method returns the formatted string.

### **Syntax**

String.format(value1, value2, . . .)

Parameter	Decription
Value1, value2,	Required. One or more values that should be formatted and inserted in the string. The value can be a number specifying the position of the element you want to remove.
	The values are either a list of values separated by commas, key = value list, or a combination of both.  The value can be of any data type.

### **Placeholder**

The placeholder can be identified using named indexes {price}, numbered indexes {0}, or even an empty placeholder { }.

#### Examples:

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text1 = "My name is {fname}, I'm {age}".format(fname = "John", age = 36)
text2 = "My name is {0}, I'm {1}".format("John", 36)
text3 = "My name is { }, I'm { }".format("John", 36)
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# **Formatting Types**

Inside the placeholder you can add a formatting type to format the result.

Formatting Type	Description
:<	Left aligns the result (within the available space)
:>	Right aligns the result (within the available space)
• ^	Center aligns the result
:=	Place the sign to the left most position
:+	Use a plus sign to indicate if the result is positive or negative
:-	Use a minus sign for negative values only
:	Use a space to insert an extra space before positive numbers (and a minus sign before negative numbers
:,	Use a comma as a thousand separator
:_	Use a underscore as a thousand separator
:b	Binary format
: C	Converts the value into the corresponding Unicode character
:d	Decimal format
<b>:</b> e	Scientific format, with a lower case e
:E	Scientific format, with an upper case E
<b>:</b> f	Fix point number format
: F	Fix point number format, in upper case format
<b>:</b> g	General format
<b>:</b> G	General format (using a upper case E for scientific notation
:0	Octal format
: X	Hex format, lower case
<b>:</b> X	Hex format, upper case
:n	Number format
: %	Percentage format