Used to perform generalizable and repeatable tasks

```
void printTemp(int temp)
{
  println("The temperature is a balmy " + temp + " F");
}

printTemp(35);
printTemp(85);
printTemp(120);
```

Output:

```
The temperature is a balmy 35 F
The temperature is a balmy 85 F
The temperature is a balmy 120 F
```

Invoking a function with a variable

```
int temperature = 35;
printTemp(temperature);
temperature = 85;
printTemp(temperature);
```

Output:

```
The temperature is a balmy 35 F
The temperature is a balmy 85 F
```

- Major benefit of defining functions is the flexibility
- Suppose you decide to display the temperature in Celsius instead of Fahrenheit
- Without functions, you would have to change every line that displays the temperature in Fahernheit

```
void printTemp(int temp)
{
  int celsius = (temp - 32) * 5/9;
  println("The temperature in celsius is " + celsius);
}
```

■ Now when you invoke

```
printTemp(35);
printTemp(85);
printTemp(120);
```

□ The output is

```
The temperature in celsius is 1
The temperature in celsius is 29
The temperature in celsius is 48
```

Functions example - Calculator

- \square Writing a program for a simple calculator (+-*/)
- You need functions for addition, subtraction, division and multiplication
- You can then provide two numbers to the appropriate function and it will compute and display the result

```
add(int a, int b)
{
   int c = a + b;
   println("The result of addition is " + c);
}
```

Functions exercise - 2 minutes

- Write a function that accepts two integers and displays the value of their product
- Use the add function below for reference
- Discuss your solution with your neighbor

```
add(int a, int b)
{
   int c = a + b;
   println("The result of addition is " + c);
}
```



Built-in Functions - Processing

- \square line(x1, y1, x2, y2) draws a line
- □ println(message) prints a message to the screen
- ellipse(centerX, centerY, xradius, yradius) draws an ellipse on the screen with specified parameters
- stroke(255, 0, 0) // Set the Line Color to Red
- □ and many more...