

Introducing Functions

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In[1]:= Plus[3, 4]
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Out[1]= 7
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In[2]:=
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```
Plus[1, 2, 3]
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Out[2]= 6
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In[3]:=
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Times[2, 6]
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Out[3]= 12
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In[4]:=
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Times[2, Plus[2, 3]]
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Out[4]= 10
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*** All functions in the Wolfram Language use square brackets, and have names that start with capital letters.

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In[5]:= Max[2, 7, 3]
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```
Out[5]= 7
```

The function `RandomInteger` picks a random integer (whole number) between 0 and whatever size you say.

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In[6]:= RandomInteger[100]
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Out[6]= 78
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In[7]:=
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```
RandomInteger[100]
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Out[7]= 46
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Exercises:

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1. Compute $7+6+5$ using the function Plus.

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In[8]:= Plus[7, 6, 5]
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Out[8]= 18
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2. Compute $2 \times (3+4)$ using Times and Plus.

```
In[9]:= Times[2, Plus[3, 4]]
```

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Out[9]= 14
```

3. Use Max to find the larger of 6×8 and 5×9 .

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In[10]:= Max[Times[6, 8], Times[5, 9]]
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Out[10]= 48
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4. Use RandomInteger to generate a random number between 0 and 1000.

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In[11]:= RandomInteger[1000]
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Out[11]= 750
```

5. Use Plus and RandomInteger to generate a number between 10 and 20.

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In[12]:= RandomInteger[Plus[10, 20]]
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Out[12]= 14
```

6. Compute $5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2$ using Times.

```
In[13]:= Times[5, 4, 3, 2]
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Out[13]= 120
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7. Compute $2-3$ using Subtract.

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In[14]:= Subtract[2, 3]
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Out[14]= -1
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8. Compute $(8+7) \times (9+2)$ using Times and Plus

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In[15]:= Times[Plus[8, 7], Plus[9, 2]]
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Out[15]= 165
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9. Compute $(26-89)/9$ using Subtract and Divide

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In[16]:= Divide[Subtract[26, 89] , 9]
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Out[16]= - 7
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10. Compute $100-5^2$ using Subtract and Power

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In[17]:= Subtract[100, Power[5, 2]]
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Out[17]= 75
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11. Find the larger of 3^5 and 5^3

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In[18]:= Max[Power[3, 5] , Power[5, 3]]
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Out[18]= 243
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12. Multiply 3 and the larger of 4^3 and 3^4

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In[19]:= Times[3, Max[Power[4, 3] , Power[3, 4]]]
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```
Out[19]= 243
```

13. Add two random numbers each between 0 and 1000

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In[20]:= Plus[RandomInteger[1000] , RandomInteger[1000]]
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Out[20]= 959
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