Functions and Variables

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Guide to Using Your Lab Notebook

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1. Hello World

Hello, World!

Anatomy

```
print("Hello, World")
```

- Function: print()
- Argument: "Hello, World"
- Side effect: print to the screen

Bugs

```
cell In[1], line 1
   print("hello world"

SyntaxError: incomplete input
```

2. Hello to You

What's your name? John Hello, John!

Anatomy

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
```

- Function: input()
- Argument: "What's your name? "
- Side effect: prompt the user and wait for input
- Return values: user input
- Variable: answer

Hello to You?

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
print("Hello, answer")
```

Joining strings and variables (+)

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
print("Hello " + answer)
```

Joining strings and variables (multiple arguments)

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
print("Hello", answer)
```

help(print)

```
Help on built-in function print in module builtins:
print(*args, sep=' ', end='\n', file=None, flush=False)
    Prints the values to a stream, or to sys.stdout by default.
    sep
      string inserted between values, default a space.
    end
      string appended after the last value, default a newline.
    file
      a file-like object (stream); defaults to the current sys.stdout.
    flush
      whether to forcibly flush the stream.
```

Or, you can refer to the documentation online:

https://docs.python.org/3/library/functions.html#print

Joining strings and variables (f-string)

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")

# print("Hello, answer")
print(f"Hello, {answer}")
```

Comments

```
# + operator
print("Hello " + answer)

# multiple arguments
print("Hello", answer)

# f-string
print(f"Hello {answer}")
```

3. Personalized Introduction



Requirements:

- Use Python's input() function to prompt the user for their name and age.
- Store these values in respective variables.
- Utilize the print() function and string formatting to display a message that says "Hello, my name is xx. I am xx years old." where the xx's are replaced with the user's name and age.

Expected Outputs:

```
What's your name? Emily
How old are you? 25
Hello, my name is Emily. I am 25 years old.
```

3. Personalized Introduction (solution)

```
name = input("What's your name? ")
age = input("What's your age? ")
print("Hello, my name is " + name + ". I am " + age + " years old.")
```

4. Uncooperative user

```
What is your name? john Hello, John
What is your name? jAnE doE Hello, Jane Doe
```

String method

https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html#string-methods

strip()

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
answer = answer.strip()
print("Hello " + answer)
```

capitalize()

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
answer = answer.strip().capitalize()
print("Hello " + answer)
```

title()

```
answer = input("What's your name? ")
answer = answer.strip().title()
print("Hello " + answer)
```

replace()

```
sentence = "I like apples, but I don't like green apples."
new_sentence = sentence.replace("apples", "oranges")
print(new_sentence)
```

split()

```
sentence = "I like apples, but I don't like green apples."
words = sentence.split()
print(words)
```

5. Hello Function

```
hello()
# Output: Hello, World!
hello("John")
# Output: Hello, John
```

def

```
def hello():
    print("Hello world")
answer = input("What's your name? ")
hello()
```

Arguments

```
def hello(to):
    print("Hello ", to)
answer = input("What's your name? ")
hello(answer)
```

Arguments with default values

```
def hello(to="world"):
    print("Hello ", to)
answer = input("What's your name? ")
hello(answer)
# Output: Hello name
hello()
# Output: Hello world
```

main

```
def main():
    answer = input("What's your name? ")
    hello()
def hello():
    . . .
main()
```

```
# Write main first
def main():
    answer = input("What's your name? ")
    hello()
def hello():
    print("Hello ", answer)
main()
```

Scope

```
def main():
    answer = input("What's your name? ")
    hello(answer)

def hello(to="world"):
    print("Hello ", to)

main()
```

return

```
def main():
    answer = input("What's your name? ")
    message = hello_message(answer)
    print(message)
def hello_message(to="world"):
    msg = "Hello " + to
    return msg
main()
```

6. Personalized Introduction 2

Requirements:

- Define a function ask_name() that prompts the user for their name using Python's input() function and returns the name.
- Define another function ask_age() that prompts the user for their age and returns the age.
- Define a function introduce_message() that takes name and age as parameters and returns a string in the format "Hello, my name is [name]. I am [age] years old."

Expected Outputs:

```
Name: Emily
Age: 25
Hello, my name is Emily. I am 25 years old.
```

6. Personalized Introduction 2 (solution)

```
def main():
    name = ask name()
    age = ask_age()
    message = introduce_message(name, age)
    print(message)
def ask name():
    name = input("What's your name? ")
    return name
def ask_age():
    age = input("What's your age? ")
    return age
def introduce_message(name, age):
    msg = "Hello, my name is " + name + ". I am " + age + " years old."
    return msg
main()
```

7. calculator

```
Enter a number: 5
Enter another number: 3
8
```

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")
    z = x + y
    print(z)

calculator()
```

integer and int()

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")
    z = int(x) + int(y)

print(z)

calculator()
```

type() to check variable type

```
x = input("Enter a number: ")
type_x = type(x)
print(type_x)

y = int(x)
type_y = type(y)
print(type_y)
```

style

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")
    z = int(x) + int(y)
    print(z)
```

VS.

```
def calculator():
    x = int(input("Enter a number: "))
    y = int(input("Enter another number: "))
    print(x+y)
```

VS.

```
def calculator():
    print(int(input("Enter a number: ")) + int(input("Enter another number: ")))
```

floating-point numbers and float()

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")

z = float(x) + float(y)
    print(z)

calculator()
```

type conversion functions

- int()
- float()
- str()

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float formatting

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")
    z = float(x) + float(y)
    print(f"{z:,}")
# try 1 and 999
calculator()
# Output: 1,000
```

float formatting

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")
    z = float(x) / float(y)
    print(f"{z:.2f}")
# try 2 and 3
calculator()
# Output: 0.67
```

round()

```
def calculator():
    x = input("Enter a number: ")
    y = input("Enter another number: ")
    z = float(x) / float(y)
    z = round(z, 2)
    print(z)
# try 2 and 3
calculator()
# Output: 0.67
```

8. Personalized Introduction 3

Requirements:

- Define a function ask_birthyear() that prompts the user for their birth year and returns it.
- Define another function calc_age() that takes the birth year as a parameter and returns the calculated age based on the current year (2023).
- Utilize the previously defined ask_name() and introduce_message() functions.
- Define a main() function that orchestrates the execution of these functions and prints the final introduction message.

Expected Outputs:

```
What's your name? Emily What's your birth year? 1998
My name is Emily and I am 25 years old.
```

8. Personalized Introduction 3 (solution)

```
def main():
    name = ask name()
    birthyear = ask_birthyear()
    birthyear_int = int(birthyear)
    age = calc_age(birthyear_int)
    age_str = str(age)
    message = introduce_message(name, age_str)
    print(message)
def ask name():
    return input("What's your name? ")
def ask birthyear():
    return input("What's your birth year? ")
def calc_age(birthyear):
    return 2023 - birthyear
def introduce_message(name, age):
    return "My name is " + name + " and I am " + age + " years old."
main()
```

Takehome exercise 1

- Course Logistics>Course Tools>DataCamp Signup
- Use your mcgill email address
- Introduction to Python: Chapter 1 and 3
- Due next week before the class