

## Comparison between Function and Module

Examples: [Calculate weekly gross pay](#)

| Module   | Module and <b>Function</b>   |
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| <pre>//Declare a global constant Constant Real PAY_RATE = 8.5 <b>Module</b> main()     //Declare variables     Declare Real hours     Declare Real grossPay      <b>Call</b> getInput(hours)     <b>Call</b> calcuPay(hours, grossPay)     <b>Call</b> output(hours, grossPay) <b>End Module</b></pre> | <pre>//Declare a global constant Constant Real PAY_RATE = 8.5 <b>Module</b> main()     //Declare variables     Declare Real hours     Declare Real grossPay      <b>Set</b> hours = getInput()     <b>Set</b> grossPay = calcuPay(hours)     <b>Call</b> output(hours, grossPay) <b>End Module</b></pre> |
| <pre>//module for input; need a pass- //by-reference parameter <b>Module</b> getInput (Real <b>Ref</b> hours)     Display "Please enter hours: "     Input hours <b>End Module</b></pre>   | <pre>//function for input <b>Function</b> Real getInput ()     Declare Real hours     Display "Please enter hours: "     Input hours     <b>Return</b> hours <b>End Function</b></pre> <p>No need to pass an argument by reference</p>   |
| <pre>//module for calculation; need a pass- //by-reference parameter <b>Module</b> calcuPay (Real hours, Real <b>Ref</b> grossPay)     Set grossPay = hours * PAY_RATE <b>End Module</b></pre>   | <pre>//function for calculation <b>Function</b> Real calcuPay (Real hours)     Declare Real grossPay     Set grossPay = hours * PAY_RATE     <b>Return</b> grossPay <b>End Function</b></pre> <p>A returned value is either an input value by the user, or a result of processing.</p>                   |
| <pre>//module for output <b>Module</b> output(Real h, Real gp)     Display "Hours worked: ", h     Display "Pay Rate : ", PAY_RATE     Display "Total Pay: ", gp <b>End Module</b></pre>   | <pre>//module for output <b>Module</b> output(Real h, Real gp)     Display "Hours worked: ", h     Display "Pay Rate : ", PAY_RATE     Display "Total Pay: ", gp <b>End Module</b></pre> <p>A function only returns ONE value</p>  |
| <p>Both solutions have the same <b>output()</b> module</p>   |  |