

Python on Trinket – Lesson 7

Review

- Mathematical operators
- Lists

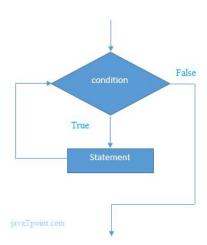
Discussion

- While loops
 - Repeat a section of code an unknown number of times until a condition is met.

while condition: statement(s)

- **o** We use for loops when we know exactly how many times we want to execute a block of code (i.e. 10 times to create a snowflake with 10 arms).
- **o** While loops are used when we don't know how many times we will need to execute a task.
 - i.e. If we ask a user to guess a number between 1 and 10, we don't know how many times they will guess incorrectly. So, we continue to ask the user to guess a number, while the number is not correct.
- o Infinite loops, when the condition is never false. This may crash a program, so you want the condition to become false at some point.
- o Using a while loop to receive correct input:
 - 1. Ask the user for input
 - 2. While the input is incorrect
 - 3. Ask the user for another value
 - 4. Go back to (2)





Lesson

Guessing Game	
<pre>number = 7 guess = input("Guess a number between 1 and 10")</pre>	Guess a number between 1 and 10 5 Guess again 7 Congratulations!
<pre>while int(guess) != number: guess = input("Guess again")</pre>	
<pre>print("Congratulations!")</pre>	

Practice

- Create your own guessing game.
 - o Ask the user for their name and introduce them to the game.
 - **o** Use the while loop structure, taking input from the user and checking it against some condition.
 - o Congratulate the user when they've won.
- Extend your guessing game. For example..
 - Ask the user for a difficulty level (easy guess a number between 1 and 10;
 medium 1 and 20; hard 1 and 50)

difficulty = input("Enter a level of difficulty - easy/medium/hard")



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if difficulty == "easy":
    max = 10
elif difficulty == "medium":
    max = 20
elif difficulty == "hard":
    max = 50

number = random.randint(1, max)
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o When the user guesses incorrectly, give them a hint by telling them whether their answer is too high or too low.