



Python Basics Course

Topic: Data Types, Variables, Input, Output & Comments

This course is designed for **absolute beginners**. The explanations are **simple, clear**, and **exam-friendly**, so students can easily understand and remember the concepts.



1. Introduction to Python

Python is a **high-level, easy-to-read**, and **beginner-friendly** programming language.

Why Python?

- Simple English-like syntax
 - Easy to learn and write
 - Used in web development, AI, ML, data science, automation, etc.
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2. Variables in Python

What is a Variable?

A **variable** is a name used to store data (values) in memory.

Example:

```
age = 20  
name = "Ram"
```

Here: - `age` is a variable storing number `20` - `name` is a variable storing text `"Ram"`

Rules for Naming Variables

- ✓ Can start with a letter or underscore (`_`)
- ✓ Can contain letters, numbers, underscore
- ✗ Cannot start with a number
- ✗ Cannot use keywords (like `if`, `for`, `class`)

Valid Examples:

```
student_name = "Sita"  
_marks = 80  
age1 = 18
```

Invalid Examples:

```
1age = 20 # X  
class = 10 # X
```

 **Important Note:** Python does **not** require declaring variable types.

3. Basic Data Types in Python

Integer (`int`)

Used to store whole numbers.

Example:

```
age = 21  
marks = 90
```

Float (`float`)

Used to store decimal numbers.

Example:

```
price = 99.99  
height = 5.6
```

String (`str`)

Used to store text. Text is written inside quotes (`" "` or `' '`).

Example:

```
name = "Abiskar"  
city = 'Kathmandu'
```

Boolean (`bool`)

Stores only **True** or **False**.

Example:

```
is_student = True  
has_passed = False
```

 **Important Note:** - `True` and `False` must start with capital letters

4. Checking Data Type

We use `type()` function to check the data type.

Example:

```
x = 10  
print(type(x))
```

Output:

```
<class 'int'>
```

5. Taking Input from User

What is Input?

Input means taking data from the user during program execution.

Syntax:

```
variable = input("message")
```

Example:

```
name = input("Enter your name: ")  
print(name)
```

 **Important Note:** - `input()` always takes input as **string**

Converting Input Data Type

If we want numbers, we must convert input.

Example (Integer Input):

```
age = int(input("Enter your age: "))
print(age)
```

Example (Float Input):

```
price = float(input("Enter price: "))
print(price)
```

6. Printing Output

print() Function

Used to display output on the screen.

Simple Example:

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

Printing Variables:

```
name = "Sita"
print(name)
```

Using f-string (Recommended)

Example:

```
name = "Ram"
age = 20
print(f"My name is {name} and my age is {age}")
```

 **Important Note:** - f-strings are easy and readable

7. Comments in Python

What are Comments?

Comments are used to **explain code**. Python **ignores** comments while running.

Single-Line Comment

Uses `#`

Example:

```
# This is a comment  
age = 20
```

Multi-Line Comment

Uses triple quotes (`'''` or `"""`)

Example:

```
"""  
This program takes input  
and prints the output  
"""
```

 **Why Comments are Important?** - Makes code easy to understand - Helpful for beginners - Useful for exams and projects

8. Complete Beginner Example Program

```
# Student Information Program  
  
name = input("Enter your name: ")  
age = int(input("Enter your age: "))  
is_student = True  
  
print("\n--- Student Details ---")  
print(f"Name: {name}")  
print(f"Age: {age}")  
print(f"Student Status: {is_student}")
```

★ Important Points to Remember (Exam Notes)

- ✓ Python is case-sensitive ✓ No need to declare variable types ✓ `input()` gives string by default
 - ✓ Use `int()` and `float()` for conversion ✓ Use comments for explanation ✓ `print()` is used for output
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🌀 Conclusion

This lesson covers: - Variables - Basic Data Types - Input & Output - Comments

These are the **foundation of Python programming**. Once students understand this, learning Python becomes very easy.

Practice daily and try small programs to build confidence!