



## Merchant Venturers School of Engineering Outreach Programme

## One Hour Python Preparation Notes for Teachers

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## **Workshop Summary Notes**

- This workshop is intended to take 1 hour.
- The workshop is intended for students with no programming experience, ages 7<sup>+</sup> (years 4<sup>+</sup>).
- The content is intended to be learnt through self-directed individual or pair work, using the worksheet as guide.
- The learning platform is Python.
- There are a number of versions of Python, we use the latest version (Python 3).
- Students do not need to have used Python before.
- This document includes some notes about what you need to do to prepare for us to come and run the workshop.

## 1 Guide

The following notes are guidelines for the things we have thought of or know from experience need to be prepared before we arrive to run the workshop. Please use these notes as an addition to any guidelines and preparation you would normally follow.

Logging on If you have enough PCs/Macs for the whole group, please

ensure the children are logged on before we begin the session.

Provision of laptops If you do not have enough PCs/Macs for the whole group,

please let us know in advance. We may be able to provide laptops in order to run the session. If we provide laptops, we will need to allow at least an additional 15 minutes for handing

them out and logging everybody on / getting set up.

**Software Installation** Installation of the latest version of Python 3 is required.

Website Access Please ensure your IT administrator has unblocked the Python

 $website\ and\ our\ Github\ site:\ https://github.com/MVSE-Outreach/$ 

The easiest way to test this is to get a student (not a teacher)

to open the websites and attempt to browse them.

Students with special needs We are happy to accommodate students who have spe-

cial educational needs or disabilities. If you can, please make us aware of any students in the group who might need extra attention and any additional information that will help us make the workshop as enjoyable and successful as possible for

them.

DBS Checks Your school or organisation may require valid DBS checks

(previously called CRB checks) for our volunteers. Please let us know if this is the case so we complete the process. All of our volunteers are current members of the University of

Bristol.

Name List and Contact Information We would very much like to be able to keep

in touch with students to encourage them to attend our other free, open outreach events (such as Digimakers). If possible, please supply us with a list of the names of students and their parent's contact information so that we may follow up with them after the last workshop. We never send spam and

we'll only contact parents to let them know about our other outreach events that are available to them.