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Notebook: Computers and Programming I

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Chapter 1

- Hardware
 - Any physical devices that make up a computer
 - o The CPU
 - Main Memory
 - RAM
 - volatile
 - Secondary Storage
 - can hold data for long periods of time.
 - Programs are normally stored here and located to main mem
 - Types of Storage Devices
 - Input Devices
 - Output Devices
- Software
 - Application
 - programs you use to do day to day activities
 - Word processing, emails
 - System Software
 - Operating System
 - Utility Programs
 - Software Development Tools
- How Machine Stores Data
 - Stored in sequences of zeros and ones
 - Byte
 - Conversion of Binary to Decimal and vice versa
 - o ASCII (know these)
 - A 65
 - a 97
 - B 66
 - b 98
 - sp 32
 - Unicode
 - compatible with ASCII
 - can represent characters of other languages
 - Two's Complement
 - To store negative numbers and real numbers, computers use binary numbering and encoding schemes
 - Other Types of Data
 - Images
 - Music
- How A Program Works
 - Program must be copied from secondary memory to RAM each time CPU executes it
 - CPU executes program in a cycle (Machine Cycle):
 - Fetch
 - Decode
 - Execute
- From Machine Language to Assembly Language
 - o Impractical for people to write in machine language
 - Assemble Language:
 - uses short words (mnemonics) for instruction instead of binary numbers
 - You have to know how CPU and registers work

- Easier for programmers to work with
- Add a,b
- Sub a,b
- Assembler
 - translates assembly language to machine language for execution by CPU
- High Level Languages uses compilers and interpreters to convert high level languages into low level languages
 - C++
 - Java
 - Python
- o Keywords
 - predefined words used to write program in high level language eg. print, if
 - Operators: perform ops on data
 - Syntax: set of rules to be followed
 - Statement: print ("Hello")
- Compilers and Interpreters
 - o Interpreters:
 - Translates and executes instructions in high level language program
 - Used by python
 - Interprets one instructions at a time
 - No separate machine language
 - Source Code
 - Statements written by programmers
 - Errors
 - Syntax
 - Logical
 - Run
 - Program is compiled but won't execute
 - Divide by zero

Chapter 2

- Programs must be designed before written
- Program development cycle
 - Design the program
 - Write the code
 - Correct syntax error
 - Test the program
 - Correct logical errors
- Algorithm
 - o set of well-defined logical steps that one must take in order to solve a problem
- Pseudo code
 - Informal language that has no syntax
 - o Fake code
- Typically, computer performs three steps:
 - o Receive
 - Processing
 - Output
- Displaying Output w/ the print Function
 - Function: pre written code that performs an operation
 - o print function: displays output on screen
 - Argument: Data given to any function
 - String: sequence of characters that is used as data
 - String Literal: Anything sting passed through a function
- Comment
 - o notes with explanation

- o End Line Comment
 - appears at the end of a line of code
 - typically explains the purpose of that line
- Variable
 - Memory Locations
 - Start with underscore or letter character.
 - After which, only letter characters, underscores or numbers .
 - No space
 - Cannot be a Python keyword
 - Variable names are case sensitive
 - Assignment Statement
 - num = 10
 - Variable name should reflect its use
- Orders of Operations
 - o Parenthesis
 - o Exponents
 - Multiplication and Division
 - Addition and Subtraction
 - If two orders are in the same problem, do the left more one first

Chapter 3

$$x = 10, y = 2, z = 5$$

- if (x>y):
 - o print ("x is greater than y")
- else:
 - o print ("y is greater than or equal to")
- For letters, compare character by character, and look for the largest number.
- not (x>10)
 - This is statement is false as 10 = 10
 - What is not false? True

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Definitely going to write a program and algorithm