

# Class Notes For Python

A step-by-step guide  
to level up your Knowledge in  
Python

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## Print a message onto the screen:

The `print()` function prints the specified message to the screen, or other standard output device.

The message can be a string, or any other object, the object will be converted into a string before being written to the screen.

```
print("Hello world!")  
Hello world!
```

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Hello world!
```

Single and double quotes do the same job but in case you are printing a string with an apostrophe you should use the double quotes like the code below

```
print("let's start!.")
```

If you want to print a long string (in multiple lines) you should use the triple quotes

```
print('''  
Hello world!  
My name is ali  
I am a python developer''')
```

*Output*

Hello world!

My name is ali

I am a python developer

## Variables and Simple Data Types

Variables are containers for storing data values, Python has no command for declaring a variable, a variable is created the moment you first assign a value to it.

```
x = 5
y = "John"
print(x)
print(y)
```

Variables do not need to be declared with any particular *type*, and can even change type after they have been set.

```
x = 4          # x is of type int
x = "Sally"    # x is now of type str
print(x)
```

## Variable Names

A variable can have a short name (like x and y) or a more descriptive name (age, carname, total\_volume).

Rules for Python variables:

- A variable name must start with a letter or the underscore character
- A variable name cannot start with a number
- A variable name can only contain alpha-numeric characters and underscores (A-z, 0-9, and \_ )
- Variable names are case-sensitive (age, Age and AGE are three different variables)

Legal variable names:

```
myvar = "Ahmed"  
my_var = "Ahmed"  
_my_var = "Ahmed"  
myVar = "Ahmed"  
MYVAR = "Ahmed"  
myvar2 = "Ahmed"
```

Illegal variable names:

```
2myvar = "Ahmed"  
my-var = "Ahmed"  
my var = "Ahmed"
```

## Avoiding Name Errors When Using Variables

You should write the variable name without any mistakes

```
message = "Hello Python"  
print(messag)
```

If you forget the “e” letter this error will rise **NameError: name 'messag' is not defined**

## Data Types

### Strings

A string is a series of characters. Anything inside quotes is considered a string in Python, and you can use single or double quotes around your strings

```
name = "Ali"
```

Changing Case in a String with Methods

```
print(name.upper())
```

 this prints >> ALI

```
print(name.lower())
```

 this prints >> ali

You can print the variables values with print

```
first name = "Mahmoud"
```

```
last name = "Ali"
```

```
print(first name, last name )
```

*Output*

```
Mahmoud Ali
```

To add a tab to your text, use the character combination `\t` as shown

```
print("\tPython")
```

*Output*

```
Python
```

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`\n` means new line

```
print("Languages:\nPython\nC\nJavaScript")
```

*Output*

Languages:

Python

C

JavaScript

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## String concatenation

```
print('mahmoud'+ 'hassan')
```

*Output*

mahmoudhassan

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## Fstring

```
first name = "mahmoud"
```

```
last name = "hassan"
```

```
full name = f"{first name} {last name}"
```

```
print(full name)
```

*Output*

mahmoud hassan

## Numbers

### *Integers*

```
Number = 100
```

You can use some basic mathematical operations with `print()`

```
print(2 + 3)
```

```
5
```

```
print(2 * 3)
```

```
6
```

```
print(2 ** 3)
```

```
8
```

```
print(2 / 3)
```

```
0.66666
```

```
print((1+2)*4)
```

```
12
```

### Try It Yourself

Write addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division operations that each result in the number 8. Be sure to enclose your operations in `print()` calls to see the results. You should create four lines that look like this: `print(5+3)`

## Floats

Python calls any number with a decimal point a float

```
print(0.1 + 0.5)
```

```
0.6
```

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**When you divide** any two numbers, even if they are integers that result in a whole number, you'll **always get a float**:

$4/2 \Rightarrow 2.0$

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$1 + 2.0 \Rightarrow 3.0$

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## Multiple Assignment

You can assign values to more than one variable using just a single line. This can help shorten your programs and make them easier to read; you'll use

this technique most often when initializing a set of numbers. For example, here's how you can initialize the variables x, y, and z

```
x, y, z = 0, 1, 2
```

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## Constants

A constant is like a variable whose value stays the same throughout the life of a program. Python doesn't have built-in constant types, but Python programmers use all capital letters to indicate a variable should be treated as a constant and never be changed:

```
MAX_CONNECTIONS = 5000
```

When you want to treat a variable as a constant in your code, make the name of the variable all capital letters.

## Comments

As your programs become longer and more complicated, you should add notes within your programs that describe your overall approach to the problem you're solving. A comment allows you to write notes in English within your programs.

```
# Say hello to everyone.  
print("Hello Python people!")
```

You can write long comments by using triple quotes

```
'''  
My name is mahmoud ali  
Age : 14  
Address : Egypt  
'''
```

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## List

You can make a list that includes the letters of the alphabet, the digits from 0–9, or the names of all the people in your family. You can put anything you



want into a list, the items in your list don't have to be related in any particular way. Because a list usually contains more than one element, it's a good idea to make the name of your list plural, such as letters, digits, or names.

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
```

```
my_list = ['mahmoud', 20, 'ahmed', '300']
```

## Accessing Elements in a List

**NOTE: Index Positions Start at 0, Not 1**

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
```

```
print(names[0])
```

*Output*

```
'mahmoud'
```

the last element in your list will have the index of -1

```
print(names[-1])
```

*Output*

```
'mohamed'
```

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## Changing, Adding, and Removing Elements

### Modifying Elements in a List

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
```

```
print(names)
```

*Output*

```
['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
```

```
names[0] = 'Max'
```

```
print(names)
```

*Output*

```
['Max', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
```

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### Adding Elements to a List

```
names.append('Basma')
```

You can append (add) any items to your empty list like:

```
names = []
names.append('Basma')
names.append('Ali')
names.append('samer')
print(names)
```

*Output*

```
['Basma', 'Ali', 'samer']
```

**extend** takes a list as an argument and **appends all** of the elements:

```
t1 = ['a', 'b', 'c']
t2 = ['d', 'e']
t1.extend(t2)
print(t1)
```

*Output*

```
['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e']
```

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### Inserting Elements into a List

You can add a new element at any position in your list by using the `insert()` method. You do this by specifying the index of the new element and the value of the new item.

```
motorcycles = ['honda', 'yamaha', 'suzuki']
motorcycles.insert(0, 'ducati')
print(motorcycles)
```

*Output*

```
['ducati', 'honda', 'yamaha', 'suzuki']
```

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## Removing an Item Using the *del* Statement

If you know the position of the item you want to remove from a list, you can use the **del** statement.

```
motorcycles = ['honda', 'yamaha', 'suzuki']  
del motorcycles[0]  
print(motorcycles)
```

*Output*

```
['yamaha', 'suzuki']
```

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## Removing an Item Using the *pop()* Method

Sometimes you'll want to use the value of an item after you remove it from a list. For example, you might want to get the x and y position of an alien that was just shot down, so you can draw an explosion at that position.

In a web application, you might want to remove a user from a list of active members and then add that user to a list of inactive members.

The `pop()` method removes the last item in a list, but it lets you work with that item after removing it. The term `pop` comes from thinking of a list as a stack of items and popping one item off the top of the stack. In this analogy, the top of a stack corresponds to the end of a list.

Let's pop a motorcycle from the list of motorcycles:

```
popped_name = names.pop()  
print(popped_name)
```

```
motorcycles = ['honda', 'yamaha', 'suzuki']  
print(motorcycles)
```

```
popped_motorcycle = motorcycles.pop()  
print(motorcycles)  
print(popped_motorcycle)
```

*Output*

```
['honda', 'yamaha', 'suzuki']
```

```
['honda', 'yamaha']
```

```
suzuki
```

Popping Items from any Position in a List You can use `pop()` to remove an item from any position in a list by including the index of the item you want to remove in parentheses.

```
motorcycles = ['honda', 'yamaha', 'suzuki']  
popped_motorcycle = motorcycles.pop(0)
```

*Output*

honda

## Removing an Item by Value

Sometimes you won't know the position of the value you want to remove from a list.

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']  
names.remove('ali')
```

**The `remove()` method deletes only the first occurrence of the value you specify.** If there's a possibility the value appears more than once in the list, you'll need to use a loop to make sure all occurrences of the value are removed.

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## Organizing a List

Your lists will be created in an unpredictable order, because you can't always control the order in which your users provide their data. Although this is unavoidable in most circumstances, you'll frequently want to present your information in a particular order. Sometimes you'll want to preserve the original order of your list, and other times you'll want to change the original order. Python provides a number of different ways to organize your lists, depending on the situation.

## Sorting a List

```
numbers = [5, 3, 1, 4, 2]  
numbers.sort()  
numbers.sort()  
print(numbers)
```

*Output*

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

```
numbers.reverse()
```

*Output*

[5, 4, 3, 2, 1]

Notice that `reverse()` doesn't sort backward.

## Sorting a list of strings

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
names.sort()
print(names)
```

*Output*

```
['ahmed', 'ali', 'mahmoud', 'mohamed']
```

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## Finding the Length of a List

You can quickly find the length of a list by using the `len()` function. The list in this example has four items, so its length is 4:

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
print(len(names))
4
```

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## Avoiding Index Errors When Working with Lists

Let's say you have a list with three items, and you ask for the fourth item:

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']
print(names[4])
```

*Output*

```
IndexError: list index out of range
```

Python attempts to give you the item at index 3. But when it searches the list, no item in `names` has an index of 3.

Because of the off-by-one nature of indexing in lists, this error is typical. People think the third item is item number 3, because they start counting at 1. But in Python the third item is number 2, because it starts indexing at 0.

An index error means Python can't find an item at the index you requested. If an index error occurs in your program, try adjusting the index you're asking for by one. Then run the program again to see if the results are correct.

Keep in mind that whenever you want to access the last item in a list you use the index `-1`. This will always work, even if your list has changed size since the last time you accessed it

## Looping Through an Entire List

Let's say we have a list of names, and we want to print out each name in the list

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']  
for name in names:  
    print(name)
```

*Output*

mahmoud  
ali  
ahmed  
mohamed

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## Doing Something After a for Loop

What happens once a for loop has finished executing? Usually, you'll want to summarize a block of output or move on to other work that your program must accomplish. Any lines of code after the for loop that are not indented are executed once **without repetition**.

we place the end message after the for loop without indentation:

```
names = ['mahmoud', 'ali', 'ahmed', 'mohamed']  
for name in names:  
    print(name)  
print('the end')
```

*Output*

mahmoud  
ali  
ahmed  
mohamed  
the end

## Making Numerical Lists

Many reasons exist to store a set of numbers. For example, you'll need to keep track of the positions of each character in a game, and you might want to keep track of a player's high scores as well.

In data visualizations, you'll almost always work with sets of numbers, such as temperatures, distances, population sizes, or latitude and longitude values, among other types of numerical sets. Lists are ideal for storing sets of numbers, and Python provides a variety of tools to help you work efficiently with lists of numbers.

Once you understand how to use these tools effectively, your code will work well even when your lists contain millions of items.

```
numbers = list(range(1, 6))  
print(numbers)
```

*Output*

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

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```
even_numbers = list(range(2, 11, 2))  
print(even_numbers)
```

*In this example, the range() function starts with the value 2 and then adds 2 to that value. It adds 2 repeatedly until it reaches or passes the end value, 11, and produces this result:*

*Output*

[2, 4, 6, 8, 10]

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```
squares = []  
for value in range(1, 11):  
    square = value ** 2  
    squares.append(square)  
  
print(squares)
```

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## Simple **Statistics** with a List of Numbers

```
digits = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0]
```

```
print(min(digits))
```

```
0
```

```
print(max(digits))
```

```
9
```

```
print(sum(digits))
```

```
45
```

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## List Comprehensions

```
squares = [value**2 for value in range(1, 11)]
```

```
print(squares)
```

*Output*

```
[1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100]
```



## Try It Yourself

**3.1 Guest List:** If you could invite anyone, living or deceased, to dinner, who would you invite?

Make a list that includes at least three people you'd like to invite to dinner. Then use your list to print a message to each person, inviting them to dinner.

**3.2 Changing Guest List:** You just heard that one of your guests can't make the dinner, so you need to send out a new set of invitations. You'll have to think of someone else to invite.

- Start with your program from Exercise 3.1. Add a `print()` call at the end of your program stating the name of the guest who can't make it.
- Modify your list, replacing the name of the guest who can't make it with the name of the new person you are inviting.
- Print a second set of invitation messages, one for each person who is still in your list.

**3.3 More Guests:** You just found a bigger dinner table, so now more space is available. Think of three more guests to invite to dinner.

- Start with your program from Exercise 3.1 or Exercise 3.2. Add a `print()` call to the end of your program informing people that you found a bigger dinner table.
- Use `insert()` to add one new guest to the beginning of your list.
- Use `insert()` to add one new guest to the middle of your list.
- Use `append()` to add one new guest to the end of your list.
- Print a new set of invitation messages, one for each person in your list