Chapter 3: Control Flow and Loops

Lesson 1: Conditional Statements

Conditional statements in Python are used to make decisions based on certain conditions. They allow the program to execute specific blocks of code based on whether a condition is True or False. The most common conditional statements in Python are if, elif, and else.

1. if Statement

The if statement is used to test a condition. If the condition evaluates to True, the block of code within the if statement will execute.

Example:

```
age = 18
if age >= 18:
    print("You are an adult.")
```

2. elif Statement

The elif (short for "else if") statement allows you to test multiple conditions. It is used when you want to check for additional conditions if the initial if condition fails.

Example:

```
age = 16
if age >= 18:
    print("You are an adult.")
elif age >= 13:
    print("You are a teenager.")
```

3. else Statement

The else statement is used to execute a block of code if all the preceding conditions in the if and elif statements evaluate to False.

Example:

```
age = 10
if age >= 18:
    print("You are an adult.")
```

```
elif age >= 13:
    print("You are a teenager.")
else:
    print("You are a child.")
```

4. Nested Conditional Statements

You can use conditional statements inside another conditional statement, which is known as nested conditions.

Example:

```
age = 20
is_student = True

if age >= 18:
    if is_student:
        print("You are an adult student.")
    else:
        print("You are an adult, not a student.")
```

5. Logical Operators in Conditional Statements

You can combine conditions using logical operators such as and, or, and not.

Examples:

• and: Both conditions must be True.

```
age = 20
has_license = True
if age >= 18 and has_license:
    print("You can drive.")
```

• or: At least one condition must be True.

```
age = 16
has_ticket = True
if age >= 18 or has_ticket:
    print("You can enter the concert.")
```

• not: Reverses the condition's truth value.

```
is_raining = False
if not is_raining:
    print("You can go outside!")
```

Practice Exercises

1. Even or Odd

Write a Python program that checks if a given number is even or odd.

Example:

```
# Sample input: 4
# Output: "4 is even"
```

2. Check if Number is Positive, Negative, or Zero

Create a program that accepts a number from the user and prints whether it is positive, negative, or zero.

Example:

```
# Sample input: -5
# Output: "The number is negative."
```

3. Voting Eligibility

Write a Python program that checks if a person is eligible to vote. The program should check if the person is at least 18 years old and a citizen of the country.

Example:

```
# Sample input: age = 20, is_citizen = True
# Output: "You are eligible to vote."
```

4. Grading System

Write a program that assigns a grade based on a student's score. The grading system is as follows:

- 90 and above: "A"
- 80-89: "B"
- 70-79: "C"
- 60-69: "D"
- Below 60: "F"

Example:

```
# Sample input: score = 85
# Output: "Grade: B"
```

5. Nested Conditionals for Age and Gender

Write a program that determines if someone is eligible for a special discount based on their age and gender. The criteria are as follows:

- Women under 25 get a discount.
- Men above 65 get a discount.

Example:

```
# Sample input: age = 23, gender = 'female'
# Output: "Eligible for discount."
```

6. Multiple Conditions for Admission

Write a program that checks if a person qualifies for admission to a school based on the following conditions:

- The person must be at least 18 years old.
- The person must have a high school diploma.
- The person must pass the admission test.

Example:

```
# Sample input: age = 19, has_diploma = True, passed_test = True
# Output: "You are qualified for admission."
```