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L2/Comments/Understanding Python Comments



A computer **program** is a collection of instructions or statements.

A **Python** program is usually composed of multiple statements. Each statement is composed of one or a combination of the following:

1. Comments
2. Whitespace characters
3. Tokens

Comments : In a computer program, a **comment** is used to mark a section of code as non-executable.

1. Comments can be used to explain Python code, so one can understand the code better.
2. Comments can be used to prevent execution when testing code.

In **Python**, there are two types of comments:

1. **Single-line comments:** These start with a **#** symbol, and everything after it on the same line is treated as a comment.
2. **Docstring comment:** These are enclosed in triple quotes (**'''**) or (**"""**). We'll learn more about these later.

Below code example demonstrates the usage of comments.

```
riverName1 = "Ganga" # A comment can follow after a line of code.
```

Comments1.py

```
1 # This is my first program
2 # print("I am a Python Guru")
3 print("I am a Python Guru")
4
```

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L2/Comments/Problem Solving in Comments



Comment and **uncomment** appropriate lines of code so that the given program prints only **odd** numbers.

Sample Test Cases



Test Case 1:

Expected Output:

1
3
5
7
9
11
13

Comments2.py

```
1 l=[1,3,5,7,9,11,13]
2
3 for i in l:
4     print(i)
```

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L2/Comments/Understanding Docstring in Python

Docstrings:

- **Python** has a way to specify documentation comments known as **docstrings**.
- A **docstring** is a simple text, usually in English, placed in your code to explain what a specific part of the code does.
- A **docstring** is a text enclosed in triple quotes, and it's usually the first non-comment statement in a module, function, class, or method definition.
- This **docstring** becomes a special attribute called **__doc__** for that object.
- **Python** allows the use of both `"""triple-double-quotes"""` or `'''triple-single-quotes'''` to create **docstrings**. However, the [Python coding conventions specification](#) recommends us to use `"""triple-double-quotes"""` for consistency.
- The main purpose of **docstrings** in **Python** is to provide information on what a particular **Python** object does and not how it does.
- According to the Python coding conventions, the **docstring** should always begin with a **capital letter** and end with a **period (.)**

There are two types of docstrings:

- **One-line docstring:** Provides information what an object does in a single line.
- **Multi-line docstring:** Provides information what an object does in multiple lines.

An example of a one-line docstring is as follows :

```
def add(a, b):  
    """Return the sum of given arguments."""
```

DocStringExample.py

```
1 def add(a, b):  
2     """Return sum of given arguments."""  
3     return a + b  
4  
5 def power(b, e):  
6     """Return the power value.  
7  
8     b -- is the base  
9     e -- is the exponent  
10    """  
11    return b ** e  
12  
13 print(add.__doc__)  
14  
15 print(power.__doc__)  
16  
17
```

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L2/Identifiers and Keywords/Understanding Identifiers in Python

Identifiers:

- An **identifier** is a name used to identify a variable, function, class, module, or object.
- **Identifier** helps in differentiating one entity from the other.
- Python is a case-sensitive programming language. Meaning, **Age** and **age** are two different **identifiers** in Python.
- Let us consider an example:

```
Name = "codeTantra1"
name = "CodeTantra2"
```

Here the identifiers **Name** and **name** are different, because of the difference in their case.

Rules for writing **identifiers**:

1. **Identifiers** can be a combination of lowercase letters (**a to z**) or uppercase letters (**A to Z**) or digits (**0 to 9**) or an underscore (**_**).
Examples: myClass, var_1, print_this_to_screen, _number etc..
2. An identifier can start with an alphabet or an underscore (**_**), but not with a digit.

- ☒ **Identifiers** are used for identifying entities in a program.
- ☐ We can use any special character like @, #, \$ as part of **identifiers**.
- ☐ **1st_string** is a valid **identifier**.
- ☒ **string_1** is valid **identifier**.
- ☒ **Identifiers** can be of any length.

L2/Identifiers and Keywords/Understanding Python Keywords

Every programming language usually has a set of words known as keywords.

These are reserved words with special meaning and purpose. They are used only for the intended purpose.

Note: We cannot use a keyword as a variable name, function name, or as any other identifier name.

Python also has its own set of **reserved words** called **keywords**.

The interpreter uses the **keywords** to recognize the structure of the program.

Python 2 has **32** keywords while **Python 3.5** has **33** keywords. An extra keyword called **nonlocal** was added in **Python 3.5**.

Note: **Python 3.5** introduced **async** and **await** as context-dependent keywords, and their usage as identifiers was deprecated. In **Python 3.7** **async** and **await** were added as keywords, resulting in a total of **35** keywords in **Python 3.7**.

The **33** keywords are as follows:

False class finally is return

- ☒ Python version **3.5** has **33** keywords.
- ☐ true is a valid keyword in Python.
- ☒ The keyword **nonlocal** does not exist in **Python 2**.
- ☒ Interpreter raises an **error** when you try to use keyword as a **name** of an entity.
- ☐ A programmer can easily modify the **keywords**.

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L2/Identifiers and Keywords/Fill in the missing code



Fill in the missing code in the below program to print whether the given words - **exec**, **nonlocal** and **False** are **keywords** or **not** in **Python**.

Hint: See how the word **and** is verified to be a keyword or not.

Sample Test Cases



Test Case 1:

Expected Output:

```
and is a keyword : True
exec is a keyword : False
nonlocal is a keyword : True
False is a keyword : True
```

IsKeywodsExample.py

```
1 import keyword
2 print('and is a keyword :', keyword.iskeyword('and'))
3
4 #Fill in the missing code in the below lines
5 print('exec is a keyword :', keyword.iskeyword('exec'))
6 print('nonlocal is a keyword :', keyword.iskeyword('nonlocal'))
7 print('False is a keyword :', keyword.iskeyword('False'))
```

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