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Assertions are generally used to check that certain requirements on or between features and dependencies hold. They look like this:

```
assert e1; e2
```



where **e1** is an expression that should evaluate to a **boolean** value. If it evaluates to **true**, **e2** is returned; otherwise expression evaluation is aborted and a backtrace is printed.

Note: that **->** is the **logical implication** Boolean operation.

See also <https://nixos.org/manual/nix/stable/language/constructs#assertions>.

Note: See video [@youtube](#)

```
1 with import <nixpkgs> {};
2 let
3   func = x: y: assert (x==2) || abort "x has to be 2 or it won't work!"; x +
4   n = "-5"; # only modify this line
5 in
6
7 assert (lib.isInt n) || abort "Type error since supplied argument is no int!
8
9 rec {
10   ex00 = func (n+3) 3;
11 }
```

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```
with import <nixpkgs> {};
let
  func = x: y: assert (x==2) || abort "x has to be 2 or it won't work!"; x + y;
  n = -1;
in

assert (lib.isInt n) || abort "Type error since supplied argument is no int!";
assert (lib.isInt n) -> (n > -5);

rec {
  ex00 = func (n+3) 3;
}
```

