

Day 3 Materials:

Variables, Keywords, Indentation, Comments:

1. Variables

- **Definition:** Containers for storing data values. In Python, variables are created when you assign a value to them.
 - **Syntax:**
 - `name = "John" # String variable`
 - `age = 25 # Integer variable`
 - `height = 5.9 # Float variable`
 - **Key Points:**
 - Python is dynamically typed, so no need to declare the type explicitly.
 - Variable names should start with a letter or underscore (`_`) but not a number.
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2. Keywords

- **Definition:** Reserved words in Python that have a specific meaning and cannot be used as variable names.
 - **Examples:**
 - False, True, None, and, as, assert, break, class, continue, def, del, elif, else, except, finally, for, from, global, if, import, in, is, lambda, nonlocal, not, or, pass, raise, return, try, while, with, yield
 - Use the following to view all keywords:
 - `import keyword`
 - `print(keyword.kwlist)`
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3. Indentation

- **Definition:** Used to define blocks of code. Python does not use braces {} like other languages; instead, it uses indentation.
 - **Example:**
 - if True:
 - print("Indented correctly")
 - **Error:** Improper indentation will throw an error.
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4. Comments

- **Definition:** Used to write notes or disable code during development.
 - **Single-line Comment:**
 - # This is a single-line comment
 - **Multi-line Comment:**
 - """
 - This is a
 - multi-line comment
 - """
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String, Numbers, Boolean, List, Tuples

1. Strings

- **Definition:** A string is a sequence of characters enclosed in quotes (' ', " "). Strings are immutable, meaning they cannot be changed after creation. Python provides several methods like .lower(), .upper(), .split(), and slicing to manipulate strings. Strings support indexing and concatenation using +.name = "Python"
 - print(name.upper()) # Converts to uppercase
 - print(name[0]) # Access character by index
 - print(len(name)) # Get the length of the string
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- **String Concatenation:**
 - `first_name = "John"`
 - `last_name = "Doe"`
 - `full_name = first_name + " " + last_name`
 - `print(full_name)`
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2. Numbers

Definition: Python supports integers, floats, and complex numbers. Integers are whole numbers, floats represent decimal values, and complex numbers have real and imaginary parts. Arithmetic operations like addition (+), subtraction (-), and modulus (%) can be performed on numbers. Python dynamically assigns the data type.

- Types: Integer, Float, Complex
 - `num1 = 10 # Integer`
 - `num2 = 3.14 # Float`
 - `num3 = 1 + 2j # Complex`
 - `print(type(num3)) # Outputs <class 'complex'>`
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3. Boolean

Definition: Booleans represent one of two values: True or False. They are used in logical operations like comparisons (>, <, ==) and control flow statements such as if and while. Booleans can be derived from expressions or explicitly defined.

- Represents True or False.
 - `is_active = True`
 - `is_logged_in = False`
 - `print(is_active and is_logged_in) # Logical AND operation`
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4. List

Definition: A list is an ordered, mutable collection of items, defined using square brackets ([]). Lists can store heterogeneous data types and support operations like appending, removing, and sorting elements. Examples: `my_list = [1, 'Python', 3.14]`.

- Ordered, mutable, and allows duplicate values.
 - **Example:**
 - `fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]`
 - `fruits.append("orange")` # Add an item
 - `print(fruits[1])` # Access by index
 - `fruits[1] = "blueberry"` # Modify value
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5. Tuples

Definition: Tuples are immutable, ordered collections of items, defined using parentheses (). Once created, their elements cannot be changed. Tuples are often used for fixed data, like coordinates. Example: `my_tuple = (1, 'Python', 3.14)`.

- Ordered, immutable, and allows duplicate values.
 - **Example:**
 - `numbers = (1, 2, 3)`
 - `print(numbers[0])` # Access by index
 - `# numbers[0] = 10` # Throws an error because tuples are immutable
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Sets, Dictionary, Arrays, Type Casting

1. Sets

Definition: Sets are unordered collections of unique items, defined using curly braces {}. They do not allow duplicate elements and support operations like union, intersection, and difference. Example: `my_set = {1, 2, 3}`.

- Unordered, mutable, does not allow duplicate values.

- **Example:**
 - `my_set = {1, 2, 3, 3}` # Duplicate 3 will be removed
 - `my_set.add(4)` # Add an element
 - `print(my_set)`
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2. Dictionary:

Dictionaries are unordered collections of key-value pairs, defined using curly braces ({}). Keys are unique, and values can be any data type. Example: `my_dict = {'name': 'Alice', 'age': 25}`. Useful for fast lookups and data mapping.

- Collection of key-value pairs, unordered and mutable.
 - **Example:**
 - `student = {"name": "John", "age": 21}`
 - `print(student["name"])` # Access value by key
 - `student["age"] = 22` # Update value
 - `student["grade"] = "A"` # Add a new key-value pair
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3. Arrays

Definition: Arrays are collections of elements of the same data type, commonly used for numerical computations. Unlike lists, arrays require explicit import using libraries like `array` or `numpy` for advanced operations. Example: `from array import array; my_array = array('i', [1, 2, 3])`.

- Homogeneous data structures for storing a collection of items (requires `array` module).
 - **Example:**
 - `from array import array`
 - `numbers = array('i', [1, 2, 3])` # 'i' for integer array
 - `numbers.append(4)`
 - `print(numbers)`
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4. Type Casting

Definition: Type casting converts one data type to another, such as int to float or string to int. It is achieved using functions like `int()`, `float()`, `str()`, and `list()`. Example: `str(123)` converts an integer to a string. Useful for ensuring compatibility between data types.

- Converting one data type to another.
- **Example:**
- # String to Integer
- `num_str = "123"`
- `num_int = int(num_str)`
- `print(type(num_int))`
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- # List to Set
- `my_list = [1, 2, 3]`
- `my_set = set(my_list)`
- `print(my_set)`

Here's a detailed explanation of the additional topics:

1. Output Formatting

Output formatting in Python refers to controlling the structure and appearance of output. The `print()` function allows combining strings, variables, and expressions. Advanced formatting can be achieved using f-strings, `.format()` method, or `%` formatting.

Example:

```
name = "Alice"
```

```
age = 25
```

```
print(f"My name is {name} and I am {age} years old.") # Using f-string
```

2. Taking User Input and Type Casting

Python allows taking user input using the `input()` function, which always returns data as a string. Type casting is used to convert this string into the required type, such as `int` or `float`.

Example:

```
age = input("Enter your age: ") # Always returns a string
age = int(age) # Cast string to integer
print(f"You are {age} years old.")
```

3. Multiple Inputs from Users

To take multiple inputs in a single line, you can use the `input()` function with `.split()`. By default, `.split()` separates inputs by spaces. These inputs can be type-cast as needed.

Example:

```
x, y, z = input("Enter three numbers separated by space: ").split()
x, y, z = int(x), int(y), int(z) # Type casting
print(f"The sum of numbers is: {x + y + z}")
```

More Elaborated examples:

Here's an extended explanation with more examples for each topic:

1. Output Formatting

Output formatting helps display information clearly and concisely. Common methods include:

- **f-strings:** Introduced in Python 3.6, allows embedding expressions inside string literals using `{}`.
- **.format() Method:** Useful for positional and keyword arguments.
- **Old-Style Formatting (%)**: An older approach using `%s`, `%d`, etc.

Examples:

```
# Using f-strings
```

```
name = "Alice"
```

```
age = 25
```

```
score = 93.4567
```

```
print(f"My name is {name}, I am {age} years old, and my score is {score:.2f}.") # Format  
float to 2 decimal places
```

```
# Using .format()
```

```
print("My name is {}, I am {} years old.".format(name, age))
```

```
# Using Old-Style Formatting
```

```
print("My name is %s and I am %d years old." % (name, age))
```

Advanced Formatting:

```
# Aligning text
```

```
print(f"{'Left':<10}{'Center':^10}{'Right':>10}|")
```

```
# Padding numbers
```

```
print(f"Number with padding: {42:05}") # Output: 00042
```

2. Taking User Input and Type Casting

Taking input and converting it to the desired type is crucial for numeric or boolean operations.

Examples:

```
# Taking a number as input
```

```
num = input("Enter a number: ") # Input is always a string
```

```
num = float(num) # Convert to a float
```



```
print(f"The square of the number is {num ** 2}")
```

```
# Type casting a boolean
```

```
response = input("Do you want to continue? (yes/no): ")
```

```
is_continue = response.lower() == "yes" # Convert to boolean
```

```
print(f"Continue: {is_continue}")
```

Edge Cases:

Always handle invalid input gracefully using exception handling.

```
try:
```

```
    num = int(input("Enter an integer: "))
```

```
    print(f"You entered: {num}")
```

```
except ValueError:
```

```
    print("Invalid input! Please enter a valid integer.")
```

3. Multiple Inputs from Users

Taking multiple inputs in one line is common in competitive programming or quick scripts.

Examples:

```
# Taking space-separated inputs
```

```
x, y, z = input("Enter three space-separated numbers: ").split()
```

```
x, y, z = int(x), int(y), int(z) # Convert to integers
```

```
print(f"Sum: {x + y + z}")
```

```
# Taking comma-separated inputs
```

```
values = input("Enter comma-separated values: ").split(",")
```

```
print(f"Values: {values}")
```

Using Loops to Handle Multiple Inputs:

Accepting a list of numbers

```
numbers = list(map(int, input("Enter space-separated numbers: ").split()))
```

```
print(f"Numbers entered: {numbers}")
```

```
print(f"Sum: {sum(numbers)}")
```

Error Handling with Multiple Inputs:

try:

```
x, y = map(int, input("Enter two integers separated by space: ").split())
```

```
print(f"Product: {x * y}")
```

except ValueError:

```
print("Error: Please enter valid integers.")
```