

# V / Functions

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**=> functions start with the func keyword**

Exemple :

```
func printHelp() {  
    let message = ""  
    Welcome to MyApp!
```

Run this app inside a directory of images and  
MyApp will resize them all into thumbnails  
""

```
    print(message)  
}
```

printHelp()

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## Accepting parameters

**=> functions accept parameters, give each parameter a name, then a colon, then tell Swift the type of data it must be**

Exemple :

```
func square(number: Int) {  
    print(number * number)  
}
```

square(number: 8) => return 64

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## Returning values

**=> functions can also send back data and then tell Swift what kind of data will be returned.**

Exemple :

```
func square(number: Int) -> Int {  
    return number * number  
}
```

```
let result = square(number: 8)  
print(result) => printed 64
```

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**=> Two ways to send back multiple pieces of data**

- Using a tuple, such as **(name: String, age: Int)**
- Using some sort of collection, such as an array or a dictionary.

Exemple 1 :

```
func getUser() -> [String: String] {  
    ["first": "Taylor", "last": "Swift"]  
}
```

```
let user = getUser()  
print(user["first"])
```

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Exemple 2 :

```
func getUser() -> (first: String, last: String) {  
    (first: "Taylor", last: "Swift")  
}
```

```
let user = getUser()
print(user.first)
```

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## Parameter labels

=> **Swift lets provide two names for each parameter:**

- one to be used externally when calling the function
- one to be used internally inside the function

Exemple 1 :

```
func sayHello(to name: String) {
    print("Hello, \(name)!")
}
```

```
sayHello(to: "Taylor")
```

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Exemple 2:

```
func setReactorStatus(primaryActive: Bool, backupActive: Bool,
isEmergency: Bool) {
    // code here
}
```

```
setReactorStatus(primaryActive: true, backupActive: true, isEmergency:
false)
```

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Exemple 3 :

```
func setAge(for person: String, to value: Int) {
    print("\(person) is now \(value)")
}
```

```
}
```

```
setAge(for: "Paul", to: 40)
```

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Exemple 4:

```
func numberOfTims(in array: [String]) -> Int {  
    var count = 0  
    for name in array {  
        if name == "Tim" {  
            count += 1  
        }  
    }  
    return count  
}
```

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Exemple 5 :

```
func countDown(from start: Int) {  
    var current = start  
    while current >= 0 {  
        print("\(current)...")  
        current -= 1  
    }  
}  
countDown(from: 10)
```

NB : externally it's called **to**, but internally it's called **name**

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## omit a parameter label

=> Reason for skipping a parameter name is when your function name is a verb and the first parameter is a noun the verb is acting on

- Greeting a person would be **greet(taylor)** rather than **greet(person:**

**taylor)**

- Buying a product would be **buy(toothbrush)** rather than **buy(item: toothbrush)**
- Finding a customer would be **find(customer)** rather than **find(user: customer)**

**=> When the parameter label is likely to be the same as the name of whatever you're passing in**

- Singing a song would be **sing(song)** rather than **sing(song: song)**
- Enabling an alarm would be **enable(alarm)** rather than **enable(alarm: alarm)**
- Reading a book would be **read(book)** rather than **read(book: book)**

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## Default parameters

**=> give parameters a default value just by writing an = after its type followed by the default you want to give it**

Exemple 1:

```
func greet(_ person: String, nicely: Bool = true) {  
    if nicely == true {  
        print("Hello, \ \(person)!")  
    } else {  
        print("Oh no, it's \ \(person) again...")  
    }  
}
```

```
greet("Taylor")  
greet("Taylor", nicely: false)
```

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Exemple 2 :

```
func findDirections(from: String, to: String, route: String = "fastest",
avoidHighways: Bool = false) {
    // code here
}
```

```
findDirections(from: "London", to: "Glasgow")
findDirections(from: "London", to: "Glasgow", route: "scenic")
findDirections(from: "London", to: "Glasgow", route: "scenic",
avoidHighways: true)
```

NB: Shorter, simpler code most of the time, but flexibility when we need it

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## Variadic functions

**=> make any parameter variadic by writing ... after its type**

Swift converts the values that were passed in to an array of integers

Exemple 1 :

```
func square(numbers: Int...) {
    for number in numbers {
        print("\(number) squared is \(number * number)")
    }
}
```

```
square(numbers: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
```

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Exemple 2 :

**open()** function that opened a file for editing in Preview

```
open("photo.jpg")
```

```
open("photo.jpg", "recipes.txt", "myCode.swift")
```

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## Writing throwing functions

**=> throw errors from functions by marking them as throws before their return type**

Exemple :

```
enum PrintError: Error {
    case invalidCount
}
func printPages(text: String, count: Int) throws {
    if count <= 0 {
        throw PrintError.invalidCount
    } else {
        for _ in 1...count {
            print("Printing \(text)...")
        }
    }
}
```

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## Running throwing functions

**!! Swift won't let run an error-throwing function by accident !!**

**=> If any errors are thrown inside the do block, execution immediately jumps to the catch block. Let's try calling checkPassword() with a parameter that throws an error:**

```
do {
    try checkPassword("password")
    print("That password is good!")
}
```

```
} catch {  
    print("You can't use that password.")  
}
```

NB : Use **do** to start a section of code that calls throwing functions  
=> If any errors are thrown, execution immediately jumps to the **catch** block.

=> Throwing functions must be marked with **throws**

=> Throwing functions must be called using **try**

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## inout parameters

**!! All parameters passed into a Swift function are *constants* !!**

=> Excepte if we add **inout** beside the type of the parameter for the declaration of the function

=> **Inout parameters must be passed in using &**

*Exemple :*

```
func doubleInPlace(number: inout Int) {  
    number *= 2  
}
```

```
var myNum = 10  
doubleInPlace(number: &myNum)
```

**NB : Changing Inout parameters inside a function changes them outside too.**

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