1. Explain the key features of Python that make it a popular choice for programming

Python is one of the most popular programming languages due to its simplicity, versatility, and powerful features. Here are the key features that make Python a top choice:

1. Easy to Learn & Readable Syntax

Python has a clean, English-like syntax with minimal use of symbols (like semicolons or braces).

Indentation-based block structure enforces readability.

Great for beginners while remaining powerful for experts.

2. Interpreted & Interactive

Python is interpreted, meaning code executes line-by-line, making debugging easier.

Supports interactive mode (via Python shell or Jupyter Notebooks), allowing quick testing of code snippets.

3. Cross-Platform & Portable

Python is platform-independent—code written on one OS (Windows, macOS, Linux) can run on others with minimal changes.

4. Dynamically Typed

No need to declare variable types explicitly (e.g., x = 5 instead of int x = 5).

Enhances flexibility but requires careful testing to avoid runtime errors.

5. Rich Standard Library

Python’s batteries-included philosophy provides built-in modules for:

File I/O (os, sys)

Web development (http, json)

Data processing (csv, datetime)

Networking (socket, urllib)

Reduces dependency on external libraries for basic tasks.

6. Extensive Third-Party Libraries & Frameworks

Web Development: Django, Flask, FastAPI

Data Science & ML: NumPy, Pandas, TensorFlow, PyTorch, scikit-learn

Automation & Scripting: Requests, BeautifulSoup, Selenium

Game Dev: Pygame

7. Support for Multiple Paradigms

Procedural, object-oriented (OOP), and functional programming support.

Flexibility to choose the best approach for a problem.

8. Memory Management & Garbage Collection

Automatic memory management (no manual malloc/free like in C).

Garbage collector reclaims unused memory.

9. Strong Community & Documentation

Huge global community for support (Stack Overflow, GitHub, Reddit).

Well-documented official resources and tutorials.

10. Integration Capabilities

Can interface with C/C++ (via ctypes or Cython).

Works with Java (Jython), .NET (IronPython), and other languages.

11. Scalability & Performance

While slower than C/Java, Python integrates with high-performance tools (e.g., C extensions, PyPy for JIT compilation).

Ideal for prototyping and scaling with optimized libraries.

12. Use in Emerging Technologies

Dominates fields like AI/ML, big data, cloud computing, and IoT.

Why Choose Python?

Beginners: Gentle learning curve.

Developers: Rapid development & prototyping.

Enterprises: Robust frameworks for large-scale apps.

Researchers: Powerful libraries for data analysis.

2. Describe the role of predefined keywords in Python and provide examples of how they are used in a program

Role of Predefined Keywords in Python

Predefined keywords (or reserved words) in Python are special words with fixed meanings that are part of the language syntax. They cannot be used as variable names, function names, or identifiers because Python reserves them for specific operations.

Key Roles of Keywords:

Control Program Flow (e.g., if, else, for, while)

Define Functions & Classes (e.g., def, class, return)

Handle Exceptions (e.g., try, except, finally)

Modify Variable Scope (e.g., global, nonlocal)

Logical Operations (e.g., and, or, not)

Memory & Object Handling (e.g., del, with, is)

Python has 35 predefined keywords (as of Python 3.11). You can list them using:

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```
import keyword
print(keyword.kwlist)
```

Examples of Python Keywords in Programs

1. Conditional Statements (if, elif, else)

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

Output:

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```
You are an adult.
```

2. Loops (for, while, break, continue)

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```
# For loop
for i in range(3):
   print(i)

# While loop with break
count = 0
```

```
while True:
    print(count)
    count += 1
    if count == 3:
        break  # Exit loop
```

Output:

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```
0
1
2
0
1
2
```

3. Function & Return Values (def, return)

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```
def add(a, b):
    return a + b


result = add(5, 3)
print(result)  # Output: 8
```

4. Exception Handling (try, except, finally)

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```
try:
    x = 10 / 0
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Cannot divide by zero!")
finally:
    print("This always runs.")
```

Output:

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```
Cannot divide by zero!

This always runs.
```

5. Variable Scope (global, nonlocal)

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```
x = 10

def modify():
    global x
    x = 20


modify()
print(x)  # Output: 20
```

6. Logical Operators (and, or, not)

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```
a, b = True, False
print(a and b)  # False
print(a or b)   # True
print(not a)    # False
```

7. Object Identity (is, in)

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```
list1 = [1, 2, 3]
list2 = list1
print(list1 is list2)  # True (same object)
print(2 in list1)      # True (membership check)
```

8. Context Managers (with)

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```
with open("file.txt", "r") as file:
    content = file.read()
```

File automatically closes after the block.

Important Notes:

Never use keywords as variable names (e.g., if = 5 → SyntaxError).

Keywords are case-sensitive (True is valid, but true is not a keyword).

3. Compare and contrast mutable and immutable objects in Python with examples

Mutable vs. Immutable Objects in Python

In Python, objects are classified as mutable (can be modified after creation) or immutable (cannot be changed once created). Understanding the difference is crucial for memory management, debugging, and avoiding unexpected bugs.

Key Differences

Feature	Mutable Objects	Immutable Objects
Definition	Can be modified after creation.	Cannot be changed after creation.
Memory	Same object can change in-place.	New object is created on modification.
Examples	list, dict, set, bytearray	int, float, str, tuple, frozenset, bytes
Use Case	When dynamic changes are needed (e.g., appending to a list).	When data should remain constant (e.g., dictionary keys).

Examples

1. Immutable Objects (Cannot Be Modified)

When you try to "modify" an immutable object, Python creates a new object instead.

Example: Strings (Immutable)

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```
s = "hello"

print(id(s))  # Memory address: e.g., 140245678945760
```

s += " world" # Creates a new string

print(id(s)) # New memory address: e.g., 140245678946000

Output:

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140245678946000 # Different address → New object

Example: Tuples (Immutable)

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t = (1, 2, 3)

# t[0] = 10 # TypeError: 'tuple' does not support item assignment

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2. Mutable Objects (Can Be Modified In-Place)

Changes happen in the same memory location.

Example: Lists (Mutable)

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lst = [1, 2, 3]

print(id(lst)) # e.g., 140245678946240

lst.append(4) # Modifies the same list

print(id(lst)) # Same address: 140245678946240

Output:

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140245678946240

140245678946240 # Same address → Modified in-place

Example: Dictionaries (Mutable)

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```
d = {"a": 1, "b": 2}

d["c"] = 3  # Modifies the same dict

print(d)    # {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
```

Key Implications

1. Assignment vs. Modification

Immutable: "Modification" creates a new object.

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```
a = 5

b = a  # Both point to the same `5`

b += 1  # Creates a new `6`, `a` remains `5`
```

Mutable: Changes affect all references.

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```
lst1 = [1, 2]

lst2 = lst1  # Both point to the same list

lst2.append(3)  # Affects lst1 too!

print(lst1)  # [1, 2, 3]
```

2. Function Arguments

Immutable: Passed by value (changes inside a function don’t affect the original).

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```
def modify_num(x):

    x += 10

    print(x)


num = 5
```

```
modify_num(num)  # Output: 15

print(num)       # Still 5 (unchanged)
```

Mutable: Passed by reference (changes inside a function affect the original).

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```
def modify_list(l):
    l.append(4)


my_list = [1, 2, 3]

modify_list(my_list)

print(my_list)  # [1, 2, 3, 4]
```

3. Dictionary Keys

Only immutable objects (e.g., str, int, tuple) can be dictionary keys.

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```
valid_dict = { "name": "Alice", 10: "Number", (1, 2): "Tuple" }

# invalid_dict = { [1, 2]: "List" }  # TypeError: unhashable type 'list'
```

4. Discuss the different types of operators in Python and provide examples of how they are used

Types of Operators in Python with Examples

Operators in Python are symbols that perform operations on variables and values. They are classified into several categories based on their functionality.

1. Arithmetic Operators

Used for mathematical calculations.

Operator	Description	Example	Result
+	Addition	5 + 3	8

Operator	Description	Example	Result
-	Subtraction	10 - 4	6
*	Multiplication	3 * 4	12
/	Division	10 / 2	5.0
%	Modulus (remainder)	10 % 3	1
**	Exponentiation	2 ** 3	8
//	Floor Division	10 // 3	3

Example:

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```
a, b = 10, 3
print(a + b)   # 13
print(a ** b)  # 1000 (10³)
print(a // b)  # 3 (floor division)
```

2. Comparison (Relational) Operators

Compare values and return True or False.

Operator	Description	Example	Result
==	Equal to	5 == 5	True
!=	Not equal to	5 != 3	True
>	Greater than	10 > 5	True
<	Less than	10 < 5	False

Operator	Description	Example	Result
>=	Greater than or equal	10 >= 10	True
<=	Less than or equal	5 <= 3	False

Example:

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```
x, y = 5, 10
print(x == y)  # False
print(x < y)   # True
```

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3. Logical Operators

Used to combine conditional statements.

Operator	Description	Example	Result
and	Logical AND	(5 > 3) and (10 < 20)	True
or	Logical OR	(5 > 3) or (10 < 5)	True
not	Logical NOT	not (5 == 5)	False

Example:

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```
age = 25
print(age >= 18 and age <= 30)  # True (18 ≤ age ≤ 30)
print(not (age < 18))          # True
```

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4. Assignment Operators

Assign values to variables (often combined with arithmetic).

Operator	Example	Equivalent to
=	x = 5	x = 5
+=	x += 3	x = x + 3
-=	x -= 2	x = x - 2
*=	x *= 4	x = x * 4
/=	x /= 2	x = x / 2
%=	x %= 3	x = x % 3
**=	x **= 2	x = x ** 2
//=	x //= 3	x = x // 3

Example:

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```
x = 10
x += 5  # x = 15
x *= 2  # x = 30
print(x)  # 30
```

5. Bitwise Operators

Perform operations on binary numbers.

Operator	Description	Example (a=5, b=3)	Result (Binary)
&	AND	a & b (101 & 011)	1 (001)
|	OR	a | b (101 | 011)	7 (111)

Operator	Description	Example (a=5, b=3)	Result (Binary)
^	XOR	a ^ b (101 ^ 011)	6 (110)
~	NOT (1's complement)	~a	-6 (inverts bits)
<<	Left shift	a << 1 (101 → 1010)	10
>>	Right shift	a >> 1 (101 → 10)	2

Example:

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```python
a, b = 5, 3  # Binary: 101, 011
print(a & b)  # 1 (AND)
print(a | b)  # 7 (OR)
print(a << 1) # 10 (Left shift)
```

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6. Membership Operators

Check if a value exists in a sequence (list, tuple, str, dict).

Operator	Description	Example	Result
in	Value exists	"a" in "apple"	True
not in	Value does not exist	10 not in [1,2,3]	True

Example:

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```python
fruits = ["apple", "banana"]
print("banana" in fruits)  # True
print("mango" not in fruits)  # True
```

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7. Identity Operators

Compare memory locations of objects (is, is not).

Operator	Description	Example (x = [1,2], y = [1,2])	Result
is	Same object	x is y	False
is not	Different objects	x is not y	True

Example:

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```
a = [1, 2]
b = a  # Same object
c = [1, 2]  # Different object (same value)

print(a is b)      # True (same memory)
print(a is not c)  # True (different memory)
```

Summary Table of Python Operators

Category	Operators	Usage
Arithmetic	+, -, *, /, %, **, //	Math calculations
Comparison	==, !=, >, <, >=, <=	Compare values
Logical	and, or, not	Combine conditions
Assignment	=, +=, -=, *=, /=, %=, etc.	Assign/modify variables
Bitwise	&, |, ^, ~, <<, >>	Binary operations
Membership	in, not in	Check if value exists
Identity	is, is not	Check object memory location

Key Takeaways

Arithmetic operators perform math operations.

Comparison operators return True/False.

Logical operators (and, or, not) combine conditions.

Assignment operators modify variables concisely.

Bitwise operators work on binary numbers.

Membership operators (in, not in) check sequences.

Identity operators (is, is not) compare object memory.

Understanding these operators is essential for writing efficient Python code!

5. Explain the concept of type casting in Python with examples

Type Casting in Python (With Examples)

Type casting (or type conversion) in Python refers to converting one data type into another. Python supports implicit (automatic) and explicit (manual) type casting.

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1. Implicit Type Casting (Automatic)

Python automatically converts smaller data types to larger ones to avoid data loss.

Example:

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```
# int + float → float (no data loss)

x = 5      # int

y = 3.14   # float

result = x + y  # Python converts `x` to float

print(result)   # Output: 8.14 (float)
```

Key Points:

Done automatically by Python.

Only safe conversions (e.g., int → float).

No risk of data loss.

2. Explicit Type Casting (Manual)

When we manually convert one type to another using functions like int(), float(), str(), etc.

Common Type Casting Functions:

Function	Description	Example	Result
int()	Converts to integer	int(3.99)	3
float()	Converts to float	float(5)	5.0
str()	Converts to string	str(42)	"42"
bool()	Converts to boolean (True/False)	bool(1)	True
list()	Converts to list	list("hello")	['h','e','l','l','o']
tuple()	Converts to tuple	tuple([1, 2, 3])	(1, 2, 3)

Examples of Explicit Casting:

1. int() – Convert to Integer

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```
num_str = "10"
num_int = int(num_str)  # Convert string to int
print(num_int + 5)      # Output: 15


# float → int (truncates decimal part)
print(int(7.8))        # Output: 7
```

2. float() – Convert to Float

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```
num_int = 5
num_float = float(num_int)  # int → float
```

print(num_float)   # Output: 5.0

# str → float

print(float("3.14"))   # Output: 3.14

3. str() – Convert to String

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age = 25

age_str = str(age) # int → str

print("Age: " + age_str) # Output: "Age: 25"

4. bool() – Convert to Boolean

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print(bool(1))   # True (non-zero)

print(bool(0))   # False (zero)

print(bool("Hi"))   # True (non-empty string)

print(bool(""))   # False (empty string)

5. list() / tuple() – Convert Sequences

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s = "hello"

print(list(s))   # ['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']

lst = [1, 2, 3]

print(tuple(lst))   # (1, 2, 3)

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3. When Type Casting Fails

If conversion is not possible, Python raises an error.

Invalid Conversions:

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```
# int("hello") → ValueError (cannot convert letters to int)

# float("abc") → ValueError (not a valid number)

# int("3.14")  → ValueError (use float() first)
```

Safe Conversion Workaround:

Use try-except to handle errors gracefully.

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```
try:
    num = int("123abc")
except ValueError:
    print("Invalid conversion!")
```

Key Takeaways

✅ Implicit Casting: Automatic (e.g., int → float).
✅ Explicit Casting: Manual (e.g., str → int).
⚠ Errors: Invalid conversions raise ValueError.
🔧 Use Cases:

Converting user input (input() always returns a string).

Math operations requiring specific types.

Data processing (e.g., parsing JSON).

Type casting is essential for flexible and error-free Python programming!

6. How do conditional statements work in Python? Illustrate with examples

Conditional Statements in Python (With Examples)

Conditional statements allow Python programs to make decisions by executing different code blocks based on whether a condition is True or False.

Types of Conditional Statements

Python supports 3 key conditional structures:

if → Checks a condition, executes code if True.

elif → Adds additional conditions (like "else if").

else → Runs if all previous conditions are False.

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1. if Statement (Single Condition)

Syntax:

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```
if condition:
    # Code to run if condition is True
```

Example:

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

Output:

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```
You are an adult.
```

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2. if-else (Two Conditions)

Syntax:

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```
if condition:
    # Code if True
else:
    # Code if False
```

Example:

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```
num = 7
if num % 2 == 0:
    print("Even number.")
else:
    print("Odd number.")
```

Output:

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Odd number.
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3. if-elif-else (Multiple Conditions)

Syntax:

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```
if condition1:
    # Code if condition1 is True
elif condition2:
    # Code if condition2 is True
else:
    # Code if all conditions are False
```

Example (Grading System):

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```
score = 85

if score >= 90:
    print("Grade: A")
elif score >= 80:
    print("Grade: B")
```

```
elif score >= 70:
    print("Grade: C")
else:
    print("Grade: D or F")
```

Output:

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```
Grade: B
```

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4. Nested if Statements

An if block inside another if block.

Example:

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```
num = 15

if num > 10:
    print("Above 10")
    if num > 20:
        print("Also above 20!")
    else:
        print("But not above 20.")
```

Output:

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```
Above 10
But not above 20.
```

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5. Ternary Operator (One-Line if-else)

Syntax:

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```
value_if_true if condition else value_if_false
```

Example:

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```
age = 20
status = "Adult" if age >= 18 else "Minor"
print(status)  # Output: Adult
```

Key Notes

Indentation matters! Python uses whitespace (: and 4 spaces) to define code blocks.

Conditions can use:

Comparison operators (==, !=, >, <, etc.)

Logical operators (and, or, not)

Membership checks (in, not in)

Example with Logical Operators:

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```
username = "admin"
password = "1234"

if username == "admin" and password == "1234":
    print("Login successful!")
else:
    print("Invalid credentials.")
```

Output:

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```
Login successful!
```

When to Use Which?

Statement	Use Case
if	Single condition check.
if-else	Choose between two options.
if-elif-else	Multiple conditions (like a grading system).
Nested if	Complex decision trees.
Ternary	Short, simple conditions in one line.

Conditional statements are fundamental for controlling program flow in Python!

7. Describe the different types of loops in Python and their use cases with examples

Types of Loops in Python and Their Use Cases

Loops in Python allow you to repeat a block of code multiple times. Python supports two main types of loops:

for loop → Iterates over a sequence (lists, strings, tuples, dictionaries, etc.).

while loop → Repeats code while a condition is True.

Additionally, Python provides loop control statements (break, continue, pass) to modify loop behavior.

1. for Loop

Use Case:

Best when you know how many times you want to iterate (e.g., looping through a list, string, or range).

Syntax:

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```
for item in sequence:
    # Code to execute
```

Examples:

Example 1: Looping Through a List

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```
fruits = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for fruit in fruits:
    print(fruit)
```

Output:

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```
apple
banana
cherry
```

Example 2: Looping with range()

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```
for i in range(5):  # 0 to 4
    print(i)
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Output:

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```
0
1
2
3
4
```

Example 3: Looping Through a String

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```
word = "Python"
for letter in word:
    print(letter)
```

Output:

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P
y
t
h
o
n
```

Example 4: Looping Through a Dictionary

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```python
person = {"name": "Alice", "age": 25, "city": "New York"}
for key, value in person.items():
    print(f"{key}: {value}")
```

Output:

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```
name: Alice
age: 25
city: New York
```

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2. while Loop

Use Case:

Best when you don’t know how many times to iterate in advance (e.g., user input validation, game loops).

Syntax:

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```python
while condition:
    # Code to execute
```

Examples:

Example 1: Basic while Loop

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```
count = 0

while count < 5:

    print(count)

    count += 1
```

Output:

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```
0

1

2

3

4
```

Example 2: Infinite Loop with break

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```
while True:

    user_input = input("Enter 'quit' to exit: ")

    if user_input.lower() == "quit":

        break  # Exit the loop

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

Output:

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```
Enter 'quit' to exit: hello

You entered: hello

Enter 'quit' to exit: quit

(Exits loop)
```

Example 3: continue Statement (Skip Iteration)

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```
num = 0
while num < 5:
    num += 1
    if num == 3:
        continue  # Skip printing 3
    print(num)
```

Output:

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```
1
2
4
5
```

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3. Loop Control Statements

Statement	Description	Example
break	Exits the loop immediately.	while True: break
continue	Skips the current iteration.	for i in range(3): if i==1: continue
pass	Does nothing (placeholder).	for i in range(3): pass

Example of pass (Placeholder)

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```
for i in range(3):
    if i == 1:
        pass  # Do nothing
    print(i)
```

Output:

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```
0
1
2
```

Key Differences: for vs. while Loops

Feature	for Loop	while Loop
Use Case	Known iterations (lists, ranges).	Unknown iterations (user input).
Termination	Ends after sequence completes.	Ends when condition is False.
Syntax	for item in sequence:	while condition:
Performance	Faster for fixed iterations.	Slower if condition never ends.

When to Use Which Loop?

✅ Use for loops when:

You know the number of iterations (e.g., lists, strings, ranges).

You need to process each item in a sequence.

✅ Use while loops when:

You don't know how many times to loop (e.g., game loops, user input).

You need to loop until a condition changes (e.g., while not game_over).

Summary

for loops → Best for fixed iterations (lists, strings, dictionaries).

while loops → Best for dynamic conditions (user input, game logic).

break/continue/pass → Control loop flow.

Mastering loops is essential for automating repetitive tasks in Python!