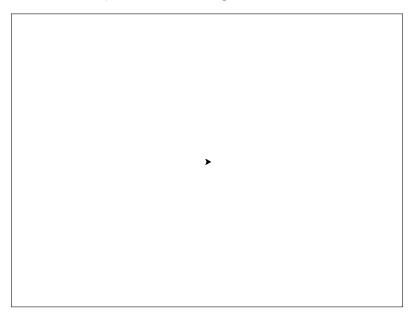
Introduction

Here is a simple turtle programme (turtle_doing_nothing.py):

```
1 from turtle import *
2
3 tom=Turtle()
4
5 tom.getscreen()._root.mainloop()
```

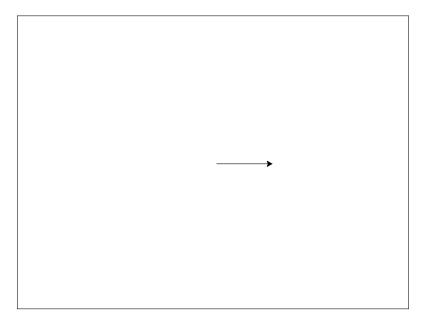
Line 1 and line 5 aren't worth spending much time on at first, the first line imports the library of commands related to turtle, line 5 prevents the computer from closing the graphics window when the programme has finished running; we won't include this line again, though it is needed. Line 3 is important, it tells the computer to make an object, in this case a Turtle and call it tom, it knows what a Turtle is from the library it imported in line 1; in the instructions on what to do when making a Turtle the computer is told to open a graphics window and to draw the turtle, a little arrow shape.



Here the turtle does something (line.py):

```
1 from turtle import *
2
3 tom=Turtle()
4
5 tom.forward(100)
```

The extra line, **line 5**, tells the turtle to move forward by 100 units, this is an important piece of Python syntax, to tell an object to do something you use a dot followed by the command, here it tells the Turtle called tom to perform the command forward. Of course, the command has to make sense for whatever type of object it is dotted onto, but here it does, forward is one of the defined commands for a Turtle object.



Turtle objects have another command right(90) which turns the turtle by 90° . Can you write a programme to draw this:

