

FUNCTIONS

→A function is a group of related statements that performs a specific task.

→in python a function is defined using 'def' keyword.

there are two types of functions:

(a)built-in functions: These functions are part of the python programming. there are 68 built-in functions.

Example:

print(), dir(), abs(), length().....

(b)user-defined functions:

these functions are made by user as there requirement.

Advantages:

- code reusability
- reducing duplication of code
- decomposing complex problems into smaller pieces.
- abstraction

Syntax:

def <function_name>(Arguments):

statements

.....

return statement

- 'def' is a keyword used to define a function
- 'def' keyword is followed by a function
- function can contain parameters or without parameters.
- return statement is optional
- the return statement is used to return the value. A function can have only one return.
- by using return statement we can return multiple values.

function calling:

A function must be defined before the function call, otherwise the python interpreter gives an error.

after the function is created , we can call it from another function.

Example:

def hello():#function definition

print("today we are discussing functions concept")

hello()#function calling

return statement:

→it terminates the function execution and transfers the result where the function is called.

→the return statement cannot be used outside of the function.

Syntax:

return[expression_list]

→ it contains expression which gets evaluated and value is returned to the caller function.

→ if return statement has no expression (or) does not exist itself in the function then it returns None object.

Example:

creating a function without return statement

```
def mul():#function definition
```

```
    a=34
```

```
    b=89
```

```
    c=a*b
```

```
print(mul()) #function calling
```

output:

None

Example: (with return statement)

```
def mul():#function definition
```

```
    a=34
```

```
    b=89
```

```
    c=a*b
```

```
    return c
```

```
print(mul()) #function calling
```

Example-2:

```
def arth():#function definition
```

```
    a=34
```

```
    b=89
```

```
    c=a*b
```

```
    d=a+b
```

```
    e=a-b
```

```
    f=a/b
```

```
    g=a%b
```

```
    return c,d,e,f,g
```

```
print(arth()) #function calling
```

Note:

in C, C++, JAVA, .net, return statement can return only one value at a time.

Example-3:

```
def arth():#function definition
```

```
    a=34
```

```
    b=89
```

```
    return a+b,a*b,a-b,a/b,a%b
```

```
print(arth()) #function calling
```