



# PROGRAMMING 1 - WEEK 3

Strings

# Attendance





# Recap

- Arithmetic
- Booleans
- Conditionals
- None





# Permanent Evaluation



- Be quiet - no talking
- Don't cheat
  - Look at your own screen
- ONLY allowed to be on ANS
  - No GenAI – No VSCode – ...
  - No ppt – No notes – ...
- Browser full screen
- Display Light 100%
- Guess correction: -0.5 / +1
- Close your laptop when finished



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Strings

# Data types

- Dealing with numbers

- int
- float



- Dealing with True/False

- boolean



- Dealing with text

- string

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes

```
message1 = "This is a valid string"  
message2 = 'This is also a valid string'
```

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity

```
message = "Strings are Case-Sensitive!"  
different_message = "strings are CASE-sensitive!"
```



# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity
- Interpolation

```
name = "Jef"  
print( f"My name is {name}" )
```

```
price = 100  
discount = 20  
price_after_discount = 100 * (1-discount/100)  
print(f"The original price is €{price}, given a {discount}% discount, we only need to pay €{price_after_discount}.")
```

Terminal:

```
The original price is €100, given a 20% discount, we only need to pay €80.0.
```

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity
- Interpolation
- Formatting

```
>>> h = 1
>>> m = 2
>>> s = 3
>>> f'{h:02}:{m:02}:{s:02}'
"01:02:03"
```

```
>>> pi = 3.141592
>>> f'{pi:.2f}'
"3.14"
```

```
>>> text = 'abc'
>>> f"{text:<10}|{text:>10}|{text:^10}|"
'abc          |          abc|      abc      |'
```

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity
- Interpolation
- Formatting
- Operators

Syntax	Result
<code>"ab" + "cd"</code>	<code>"abcd"</code>
<code>"ab" * 3</code>	<code>"ababab"</code>
<code>"a" in "abc"</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>"a" == "a"</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>"a" != "a"</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>"a" &lt; "b"</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>"a" &lt;= "b"</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>"a" &gt; "b"</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>"a" &gt;= "b"</code>	<code>False</code>



```
"age" + 40
40 + "years"
```



```
"aa" == "AA"
"A" in "Name"
```

# Unicode

ASCII Digits	U+0030	0
	U+0031	1
	U+0032	2
	U+0033	3
	U+0034	4
	U+0035	5
	U+0036	6
	U+0037	7
	U+0038	8
	U+0039	9

Latin Alphabet: Uppercase	U+0041	A
	U+0042	B
	U+0043	C
	U+0044	D
	U+0045	E
	U+0046	F
	U+0047	G
	U+0048	H
	U+0049	I
	U+004A	J
	U+004B	K
	U+004C	L
	U+004D	M
	U+004E	N
	U+004F	O
	U+0050	P
	U+0051	Q
	U+0052	R
	U+0053	S
	U+0054	T
	U+0055	U
	U+0056	V
	U+0057	W
	U+0058	X
	U+0059	Y
	U+005A	Z

ASCII Punctuation & Symbols	U+005B	[
	U+005C	\
	U+005D	]
	U+005E	^
	U+005F	_
	U+0060	`

Latin Alphabet: Lowercase	U+0061	a
	U+0062	b
	U+0063	c
	U+0064	d
	U+0065	e
	U+0066	f
	U+0067	g
	U+0068	h
	U+0069	i
	U+006A	j
	U+006B	k
	U+006C	l
	U+006D	m
	U+006E	n
	U+006F	o
	U+0070	p
	U+0071	q
	U+0072	r
	U+0073	s
	U+0074	t
	U+0075	u
	U+0076	v
	U+0077	w
	U+0078	x
	U+0079	y
	U+007A	z

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity
- Interpolation
- Formatting
- Operators
- Escape Characters

```
"he said "hello" "
```

```
'he said "hello" '  
"he said \"hello\" "
```

```
"You can use 'single' or \"double\" quotes"  
'You can use \'single\' or "double" quotes'
```

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity
- Interpolation
- Formatting
- Operators
- **Escape Characters**

Combination	Meaning
\"	"
\'	'
\n	Newline
\r	Carriage return
\t	Tab
\b	Backspace
\\	\

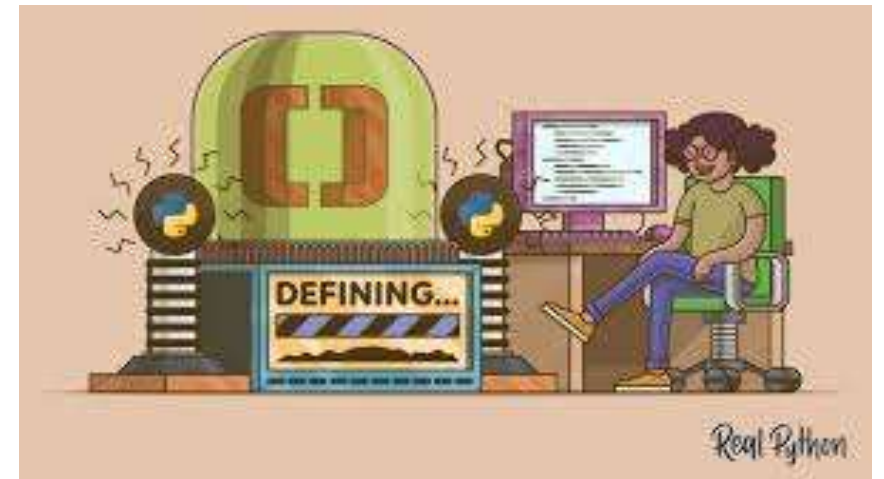
# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
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- Operators
- Escape Characters
- Documentation

```
""" this is text that will be ignored by python"""  
  
# this as well  
  
''' this also '''  
  
"""  
this will  
also be  
ignored  
"""  
  
''' this  
also '''
```

# Strings – The basics

- Single or double quotes
- Case sensitivity
- Interpolation
- Formatting
- Operators
- Escape Characters
- Documentation
- **Functions**





# Strings – Functions

- `print()` → output data to the terminal

```
print("Hello!")  
  
print(1)
```

# Strings – Functions

- `print()`
- `input()`
  - receive data from the terminal
  - data is captured as a string

```
name = input("Enter your name: ")  
  
print(f"Hello {name}!")
```

```
age = input("Enter your age: ")  
  
print( age + 1 )
```

# Strings – Functions

- print()
- input()
- int()

```
age = int(input("Enter your age: "))  
print( age + 1 )
```

```
average =(3+1)/2  
print(average)  
print(int(average))  
print(average)
```

```
name = "Jef"  
print(int(name))
```



# Strings – Functions

- print()
- input()
- int()
- float()

```
score = input("Enter the score: ")  
double_score = float(score) * 2
```

# Strings – Functions

- `print()`
- `input()`
- `int()`
- `float()`
- `str()`

```
age = 20  
print(age)  
print("Age: " + str(age))
```

```
print(f"Age: {age}")
```

# Strings – Functions

- print()
- input()
- int()
- float()
- str()
- len()

```
greeting = "Hello Jef!"  
print(len(greeting))
```

# Strings – The real deal



- Indexing
- Slicing
- Methods

# Strings - Indexing

A string can be seen as a sequence of characters. You can access each of these characters individually.

```
>>> string = "abc"  
>>> string[0]  
"a"  
  
>>> string[1]  
"b"  
  
>>> string[2]  
"c"
```

```
>>> string = "abcd"  
>>> string[-1]  
"d"  
  
>>> string[-2]  
"c"
```

Zero based → First element has index zero!





# Strings - Slicing

```
string = "abcdef"  
first_three = string[0:3]
```

from index 0 (included)  
to index 3 (excluded)

Other possibilities:

Syntax	Description
<code>s[:j]</code>	Same as <code>s[0:j]</code>
<code>s[i:]</code>	Same as <code>s[i:len(s)]</code>
<code>s[:]</code>	Same as <code>s[0:len(s)]</code> , i.e., returns the whole string

# Strings - Slicing

```
s[start:end:step]
```

- “abcdefg”[1:4:2] → “bd”
- “abcdefg”[::2] → “aceg”
- “abcdefg”[4:1:-1] → “edc”
- “abcdefg”[::-1] → “gfedcba”

# Strings

```
def initials(first, last):  
    return "first[0].last[0]"  
  
first_name = input("What's your first name?")  
last_name = input("What's your last name?")  
  
print(initials(first_name, last_name))
```

→ Why is this not working properly... ?



# Strings - Methods

Method	Description
<code>s.lower()</code>	Returns a lowercase copy of <code>s</code>
<code>s.upper()</code>	Returns an uppercase copy of <code>s</code>
<code>s.find(subs)</code>	Returns the index of <code>subs</code> in <code>s</code>
<code>s.startswith(prefix)</code>	Checks if <code>s</code> starts with <code>prefix</code>
<code>s.endswith(suffix)</code>	Checks if <code>s</code> ends on <code>suffix</code>
<code>s.strip()</code>	Returns a copy where whitespace at both ends have been removed
<code>s.lstrip()</code>	Returns a copy where whitespace at the start have been removed
<code>s.rstrip()</code>	Returns a copy where whitespace at the end have been removed
<code>s.ljust(width, fill)</code>	Returns a left justified copy of size <code>width</code> padded with <code>fill</code>
<code>s.rjust(width, fill)</code>	Returns a right justified copy of size <code>width</code> padded with <code>fill</code>

→ -1 if not found

# Strings

```
def name(mailaddressUCLL):  
    index_at = mailaddressUCLL.find("@")  
    index_dot = mailaddressUCLL.find(".")  
    first = mailaddressUCLL[0:index_dot]  
    last = mailaddressUCLL[index_dot+1:index_at]  
    return f"{first} {last}"  
  
print(name("jef.janssens@ucll.be"))
```

→ Why is this not working properly... ?

# Strings

```
def name(mail_UCLL):  
    index_at = mail_UCLL.find("@")  
    index_dot = mail_UCLL.find(".")  
    first = mail_UCLL[0:index_dot]  
    first = first[0].upper() + first[1:]  
    last = mail_UCLL[index_dot+1:index_at]  
    last = last[0].upper() + last[1:]  
    return f"{first} {last}"
```

→ How do we capitalize first and last name?

# Strings – DEMO

We consider an email address valid when it meets the following *simplified* requirements:

- It must contain an @, which cannot be at the first position
- There must be at least one letter right after the @
- The address must end with a . followed by exactly 2 characters

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# Questions?



git pull



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