

Overview

This next technique is much more user friendly. It allows the programmer to combine strings and numbers without getting a `TypeError`, it looks clean to write, and you don't need to cast all of your non-string values into strings.

Set Up

Create a new file called `stringsandcommas.py`.

Copy

Copy the following code and run it.

```
name = input("What is your name?")
age = int(input("What is your age?"))
year_born = 2026 - age

print("Hello", name, ". Were you born in", year_born, "?")
```

What do you notice about the commas being used. Are there any errors from combining numbers and strings? Are any characters added when we use the commas? Does the spacing change at all?

Change

Add the user's favourite number to the program.

Challenge

Make a new program that asks the user for their pet's name, pet's species, and pet's age. Then display a message to them about their pet with the information you collected.