

Tutorial #2

Variables, Types & Operators

1. Fill in the blanks in each of the following

- a) Programs are generally written to solve _____.
- b) The software development method advocates the following steps:
- _____ the problem
 - _____ a solution
 - _____ as a program
- c) A value fixed in stone is known as a _____.
- d) The name given to a variable is called an _____.
- e) It is the programmer's decision to name a variable but _____ would suggest naming it something that identifies the data value you are working with.
- f) Name the four data type groupings . _____, _____, _____, _____.
- g) If the integer variables a,b,c contain 11,55 and 2 respectively what happens when the following three assignment statements are executed? Assume that they are executed with the initial values specified above.

- (i) $a = a + b - c$
 (ii) $c = c \% 3$
 (iii) $c = (a + 22) \% 2$

- h) What is the numeric value of each of the following expressions as evaluated by Python:

$4 + 6 * 3$	$16 \% 2$
$6 / 3 * 7$	$17 \% 2$
$18 / 2 + 14 / 2$	$28 \% 5$
$16 / 2$	$28 \% 5 * 3 + 1$
$17 / 2$	$(2 + 3) * 4$
$28 // 5$	$20 / (4 + 1)$

- i) What happens when each of the three statements is executed? The variables a,b and c contain 23 3 and 1 respectively.

- (i) $a += b$
 (ii) $c *= c$
 (iii) $b \% = 3$

- j) Write the Python code to calculate your age in seconds ,the user should enter their age in years, a whole number
- k) Suppose the retail cost of a book is €24.95, but bookshops get a 40% discount on the retail cost. Shipping costs €2 per copy. Write the Python code to determine and print the wholesale cost for a number of copies entered by the user, print the shipping cost and the total cost of the books.
- l) Write the code to read in your first and surnames, separated by a space, extract your initials to variables and output them to the console, ensure they are capitalised.

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m) Given the following string declaration: what is the output generated by the following statements:

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string1 = "Python"  
print(string1[1:])  
print(string1[0:3])  
print(string1[:4])  
print(string1[:-1])  
print(string1[-4:-2])
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