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# Python - Loop Lists

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## Loop Through a List

You can loop through the list items by using a for loop:

### Example

Print all items in the list, one by one:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for x in thislist:
    print(x)
```

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Learn more about for loops in our Python For Loops Chapter.

## Loop Through the Index Numbers

You can also loop through the list items by referring to their index number.

Use the range() and len() functions to create a suitable iterable.

### Example

Print all items by referring to their index number:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
for i in range(len(thislist)):
    print(thislist[i])
```

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The iterable created in the example above is [0, 1, 2].

## Using a While Loop

You can loop through the list items by using a while loop.

Use the len() function to determine the length of the list, then start at 0 and loop your way through the list items by referring to their indexes.

Remember to increase the index by 1 after each iteration.

### Example

Print all items, using a while loop to go through all the index numbers

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
i = 0
while i < len(thislist):
  print(thislist[i])
  i = i + 1</pre>
```

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Learn more about while loops in our Python While Loops Chapter.

## Looping Using List Comprehension

List Comprehension offers the shortest syntax for looping through lists:

### Example

A short hand for loop that will print all items in a list:

```
thislist = ["apple", "banana", "cherry"]
[print(x) for x in thislist]
```

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Learn more about list comprehension in the next chapter: <u>List Comprehension</u>.

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