

- A function is a block of code which only runs when it is called. We can pass data, known as parameters, into a function.

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In [1]: #creating a function  
def function_name():  
    print("my function")
```

```
In [2]: #calling the function  
def function_name():  
    print("my function")
```

```
function_name()
```

my function

```
In [3]: # ARGUMENTS: information can be passed into functions as arguments  
#creating the function  
def function_name(arg1):  
    print(arg1, "to python")    #print(arg1 + "to python")  
  
#calling the function  
function_name('welcome')
```

welcome to python

```
In [4]: def add(num1: int, num2: int, word: str):  
        num3 = num1 + num2  
        a = word  
        return num3, a  
  
add(5, 10, "hi there")
```

Out[4]: (15, 'hi there')

```
In [5]: def is_prime(n):  
        if n in [2,3]:  
            return True  
        if (n==1) or (n%2==0):  
            return False  
        r = 3  
        while r * r <= n:  
            if n%r == 0:  
                return False  
            r += 2  
        return True  
  
#calling the function  
print(is_prime(13))  
print(is_prime(32))
```

True

False

Types of Python Function Arguments

Python supports various types of arguments that can be passed at the time of the function call. In Python, we have the following 4 types of function arguments.

- Default argument
- Keyword arguments (named arguments)
- Positional arguments
- Arbitrary arguments (variable-length arguments *args* and **kwargs*)

In [6]: *#Default arguments: A default argument is a parameter that assumes a default value. Once we have a default argument, all the arguments to its right must also have default values.*

```
def func(a,c,b=10):  
    print("a:", a, '\n', "b:",b, '\n', 'c:', c)  
  
func(20,30)
```

```
a: 20  
b: 10  
c: 30
```

In [7]: `def my_function(country = "India"):`
 `print("I am from " + country)`

```
my_function()  
my_function("Sweden")  
my_function("Norway")  
my_function("Brazil")
```

```
I am from India  
I am from Sweden  
I am from Norway  
I am from Brazil
```

In [8]: *# Keyword Arguments: The idea is to allow the caller to specify the argument name explicitly.*

```
def student(firstname, lastname):  
    print(firstname, lastname)  
  
# Keyword arguments  
student(firstname='abc', lastname='def')  
student(lastname='def', firstname='abc')
```

```
abc def  
abc def
```

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In [9]: #Positional Arguments
#We used the Position argument during the function call so that the first argu
def nameAge(name, age):
    print("Hi, I am", name)
    print("My age is ", age)

# argument is given in order
print("Case-1:")
nameAge("abc", 23)

# argument is not in order
print("\nCase-2:")
nameAge(23, "abc")
```

```
Case-1:
Hi, I am abc
My age is  23
```

```
Case-2:
Hi, I am 23
My age is  abc
```

```
In [10]: # Arbitrary Keyword Arguments
#In Python Arbitrary Keyword Arguments, *args, and **kwargs can pass a variable

# *args in Python (Non-Keyword Arguments)
# **kwargs in Python (Keyword Arguments)

#Checkout my github page for more examples on Arbitrary Keyword Arguments
https://github.com/Vaishnavi-Chandrashekar/Python-Concepts/blob/main/args%20and%20kwargs.ipynb
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Input In [10]

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```

SyntaxError: invalid syntax

Return Statement

Syntax: return [expression_list]

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In [11]: def my_function(x=10):  
         return 5 * x  
  
print(my_function())  
print(my_function(30))
```

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50  
150
```

The pass Statement

Function definitions cannot be empty, but if you for some reason have a function definition with no content, put in the pass statement to avoid getting an error.

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In [12]: def function():  
         pass
```