Glossary terms

Terms and definitions

Argument (Python): The data brought into a function when it is called

Built-in function: A function that exists within Python and can be called directly

Comment: A note programmers make about the intention behind their code

Function: A section of code that can be reused in a program

Global variable: A variable that is available through the entire program

Indentation: Space added at the beginning of a line of code

Library: A collection of modules that provide code users can access in their programs

Local variable: A variable assigned within a function

Module: A Python file that contains additional functions, variables, classes, and any kind of runnable code

Parameter (Python): An object that is included in a function definition for use in that function

PEP 8 style guide: A resource that provides stylistic guidelines for programmers working in Python

Python Standard Library: An extensive collection of Python code that often comes packaged with Python

Return statement: A Python statement that executes inside a function and sends information back to the function call

Style guide: A manual that informs the writing, formatting, and design of documents

User-defined function: A function that programmers design for their specific needs