

Python Cheat Sheet

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NUMBERS

Python's 2 main types for Numbers is int and float (or integers and floating point numbers)

```
1 | type(1)    #int
2 | type(-10)  #int
3 | type(0)    #int
4 | type(0.0)  #float
5 | type(2.2)  #float
6 | type(4E2)  #float - 4*10 to the power of 2
```

```
1 | # Arithmetic
2 | 10 + 3  # 13
3 | 10 - 3  # 7
4 | 10 * 3  # 30
5 | 10 ** 3 # 1000
6 | 10 / 3  # 3.3333333333333335
7 | 10 // 3 # 3 --> floor division - no decimals and returns an int
8 | 10 % 3  # 1 --> modulo operator - return the remainder. Good for deciding if number is even or odd
```

```
1 | # Basic Functions
2 | pow(5, 2)    # 25 --> like doing 5**2
3 | abs(-50)    # 50
4 | round(5.46) # 5
5 | round(5.468, 2) # 5.47 --> round to nth digit
6 | bin(512)    # '0b1000000000' --> binary format
7 | hex(512)    # '0x200' --> hexadecimal format
```

```
1 | # Converting Strings to Numbers
2 | age = input("How old are you?")
3 | age = int(age)
4 | pi = input("What is the value of pi?")
5 | pi = float(pi)
```

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STRINGS



Strings in python are stored as sequences of letters in memory

```

1  type('Helloooooo') # str
2
3  'I\'m thirsty'
4  "I'm thirsty"
5  "\n" # new line.
6  "\t" # adds a tab
7
8  'Hey you!'[4] # y
9  name = 'Andrei Neagoie'
10 name[4]      # e
11 name[:]      # Andrei Neagoie
12 name[1:]     # ndrei Neagoie
13 name[:1]     # A
14 name[-1]     # e
15 name[:1]     # Andrei Neagoie
16 name[::-1]   # eiogaeN ierdnA
17 name[0:10:2]# Ade e
18 # : is called slicing and has the format [ start : end : step ]
19
20 'Hi there ' + 'Timmy' # 'Hi there Timmy' --> This is called string concatenation
21 '*'*10 # *****

```

```

1  # Basic Functions
2  len('turtle') # 6
3
4  # Basic Methods
5  ' I am alone '.strip()      # 'I am alone' --> Strips all whitespace characters from both ends.
6  'On an island'.strip('d')   # 'On an islan' --> # Strips all passed characters from both ends.
7  'but life is good!'.split() # ['but', 'life', 'is', 'good!']
8  'Help me'.replace('me', 'you') # 'Help you' --> Replaces first with second param
9  'Need to make fire'.startswith('Need')# True
10 'and cook rice'.endswith('rice')    # True
11 'bye bye'.index('e')                # 2
12 'still there?'.upper()              # STILL THERE?
13 'HELLO?!'.lower()                  # hello?!
14 'ok, I am done.'.capitalize()      # 'Ok, I am done.'
15 'oh hi there'.find('i')             # 4 --> returns the starting index position of the first occurrence
16 'oh hi there'.count('e')           # 2

```

```

1  # String Formatting
2  name1 = 'Andrei'
3  name2 = 'Sunny'
4  print(f'Hello there {name1} and {name2}') # Hello there Andrei and Sunny - Newer way to do things as
5  print('Hello there {} and {}'.format(name1, name2))# Hello there Andrei and Sunny
6  print('Hello there %s and %s' %(name1, name2)) # Hello there Andrei and Sunny --> you can also use %d, %f,

```

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BOOLEAN

True or False. Used in a lot of comparison and logical operations in Python

```

1  bool(True)
2  bool(False)
3
4  # all of the below evaluate to False. Everything else will evaluate to True in Python.
5  print(bool(None))
6  print(bool(False))
7  print(bool(0))
8  print(bool(0.0))
9  print(bool([]))
10 print(bool({}))
11 print(bool(()))
12 print(bool(''))
13 print(bool(range(0)))
14 print(bool(set()))
15
16 # See Logical Operators and Comparison Operators section for more on booleans.

```

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LISTS

Unlike strings, lists are mutable sequences in python

```

1  my_list = [1, 2, '3', True] # we assume this list won't mutate for each example below
2  len(my_list)                # 4
3  my_list.index('3')          # 2
4  my_list.count(2)            # 1 --> count how many times 2 appears
5
6  my_list[3]                  # True
7  my_list[1:]                 # [2, '3', True]
8  my_list[:1]                 # [1]
9  my_list[-1]                 # True
10 my_list[::-1]               # [1, 2, '3', True]
11 my_list[:-1]                # [True, '3', 2, 1]
12 my_list[0:3:2]              # [1, '3']
13
14 # : is called slicing and has the format [ start : end : step ]

1  # Add to List
2  my_list * 2                  # [1, 2, '3', True, 1, 2, '3', True]
3  my_list + [100]              # [1, 2, '3', True, 100] --> doesn't mutate original list, creates new one
4  my_list.append(100)          # None --> Mutates original list to [1, 2, '3', True, 100] # Or: <list>
5  my_list.extend([100, 200])   # None --> Mutates original list to [1, 2, '3', True, 100, 200]
6  my_list.insert(2, '!!!')     # None --> [1, 2, '!!!', '3', True] - Inserts item at index and moves the rest
7
8  ' '.join(['Hello', 'There']) # 'Hello There' --> Joins elements using string as separator.

```

```

1  # Copy a List
2  basket = ['apples', 'pears', 'oranges']
3

```



```

4 | new_basket = basket.copy()
   new_basket2 = basket[:]

1 | # Remove from List
2 | [1,2,3].pop()    # 3 --> mutates original list, default index in the pop method is -1 (the last item)
3 | [1,2,3].pop(1)   # 2 --> mutates original list
4 | [1,2,3].remove(2)# None --> [1,3] Removes first occurrence of item or raises ValueError.
5 | [1,2,3].clear() # None --> mutates original list and removes all items: []
6 | del [1,2,3][0] #

1 | # Ordering
2 | [1,2,5,3].sort()      # None --> Mutates list to [1, 2, 3, 5]
3 | [1,2,5,3].sort(reverse=True) # None --> Mutates list to [5, 3, 2, 1]
4 | [1,2,5,3].reverse()   # None --> Mutates list to [3, 5, 2, 1]
5 | sorted([1,2,5,3])      # [1, 2, 3, 5] --> new list created
6 | list(reversed([1,2,5,3]))# [3, 5, 2, 1] --> reversed() returns an iterator

1 | # Useful operations
2 | 1 in [1,2,5,3] # True
3 | min([1,2,3,4,5])# 1
4 | max([1,2,3,4,5])# 5
5 | sum([1,2,3,4,5])# 15

1 | # Matrix
2 | matrix = [[1,2,3], [4,5,6], [7,8,9]]
3 | matrix[2][0] # 7 --> Grab first first of the third item in the matrix object
4 |
5 | # Looping through a matrix by rows:
6 | mx = [[1,2],[3,4]]
7 | for row in range(len(mx)):
8 |     for col in range(len(mx)):
9 |         print(mx[row][col]) # 1 2 3 4
10 |
11 | # Transform into a list:
12 | [mx[row][col] for row in range(len(mx)) for col in range(len(mx))] # [1,2,3,4]
13 |
14 | # Combine columns with zip and *:
15 | [x for x in zip(*mx)] # [(1, 3), (2, 4)]

1 | # List Comprehensions
2 | # new_list[<action> for <item> in <iterator> if <some condition>]
3 | a = [i for i in 'hello']          # ['h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']
4 | b = [i*2 for i in [1,2,3]]        # [2, 4, 6]
5 | c = [i for i in range(0,10) if i % 2 == 0]# [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]

1 | # Advanced Functions
2 | list_of_chars = list('Helloooo')      # ['H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', 'o', 'o', 'o', 'c']
3 | sum_of_elements = sum([1,2,3,4,5])    # 15
4 | element_sum = [sum(pair) for pair in zip([1,2,3],[4,5,6])] # [5, 7, 9]
5 | sorted_by_second = sorted(['hi','you','man'], key=lambda el: el[1])# ['man', 'hi', 'you']
6 | sorted_by_key = sorted([
7 |     {'name': 'Bina', 'age': 30},

```

```

8 |         {'name': 'Andy', 'age': 18},
9 |         {'name': 'zoey', 'age': 55}],
10 |     key=lambda el: (el['name']))# [{'name': 'Andy', 'age': 18}, {'name': 'Bina', 'age':

```

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DICTIONARIES

Also known as mappings or hash tables. They are key value pairs that DO NOT retain order

```

1 | my_dict = {'name': 'Andrei Neagoie', 'age': 30, 'magic_power': False}
2 | my_dict['name']                # Andrei Neagoie
3 | len(my_dict)                  # 3
4 | list(my_dict.keys())          # ['name', 'age', 'magic_power']
5 | list(my_dict.values())        # ['Andrei Neagoie', 30, False]
6 | list(my_dict.items())         # [('name', 'Andrei Neagoie'), ('age', 30), ('magic_power', False)]
7 | my_dict['favourite_snack'] = 'Grapes'# {'name': 'Andrei Neagoie', 'age': 30, 'magic_power': False, 'favouri
8 | my_dict.get('age')            # 30 --> Returns None if key does not exist.
9 | my_dict.get('ages', 0 )       # 0 --> Returns default (2nd param) if key is not found
10 |
11 | #Remove key
12 | del my_dict['name']
13 | my_dict.pop('name', None)

```

```

1 | my_dict.update({'cool': True}) # {'name': 'Andrei Neagoie', 'age':
2 | **my_dict, **{'cool': True} } # {'name': 'Andrei Neagoie', 'age':
3 | new_dict = dict(['name', 'Andrei'], ['age', 32], ['magic_power', False]) # Creates a dict from collection of
4 | new_dict = dict(zip(['name', 'age', 'magic_power'], ['Andrei', 32, False]))# Creates a dict from two collector
5 | new_dict = my_dict.pop('favourite_snack') # Removes item from dictionary.

```

```

1 | # Dictionary Comprehension
2 | {key: value for key, value in new_dict.items() if key == 'age' or key == 'name'} # {'name': 'Andrei', 'age'

```

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TUPLES

Like lists, but they are used for immutable things (that don't change)

```

1 | my_tuple = ('apple', 'grapes', 'mango', 'grapes')
2 | apple, grapes, mango, grapes = my_tuple# Tuple unpacking
3 | len(my_tuple)                # 4
4 | my_tuple[2]                  # mango
5 | my_tuple[-1]                 # 'grapes'

```



```

1 | # Immutability
2 | my_tuple[1] = 'donuts' #TypeError
3 | my_tuple.append('candy')# AttributeError

1 | # Methods
2 | my_tuple.index('grapes') # 1
3 | my_tuple.count('grapes') # 2

1 | # Zip
2 | list(zip([1,2,3], [4,5,6])) # [(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6)]

```

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SETS

Unordered collection of unique elements.

```

1 | my_set = set()
2 | my_set.add(1) # {1}
3 | my_set.add(100)# {1, 100}
4 | my_set.add(100)# {1, 100} --> no duplicates!

1 | new_list = [1,2,3,3,3,4,4,5,6,1]
2 | set(new_list) # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}
3 |
4 | my_set.remove(100) # {1} --> Raises KeyError if element not found
5 | my_set.discard(100) # {1} --> Doesn't raise an error if element not found
6 | my_set.clear() # {}
7 | new_set = {1,2,3}.copy()# {1,2,3}

1 | set1 = {1,2,3}
2 | set2 = {3,4,5}
3 | set3 = set1.union(set2) # {1,2,3,4,5}
4 | set4 = set1.intersection(set2) # {3}
5 | set5 = set1.difference(set2) # {1, 2}
6 | set6 = set1.symmetric_difference(set2)# {1, 2, 4, 5}
7 | set1.issubset(set2) # False
8 | set1.issuperset(set2) # False
9 | set1.isdisjoint(set2) # False --> return True if two sets have a null intersection.

1 | # Frozenset
2 | # hashable --> it can be used as a key in a dictionary or as an element in a set.
3 | <frozenset> = frozenset(<collection>)

```

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NONE

None is used for absence of a value and can be used to show nothing has been assigned to an object

```
1 | type(None) #NoneType
2 | a = None
```

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COMPARISON OPERATORS

```
1 | ==          # equal values
2 | !=          # not equal
3 | >           # left operand is greater than right operand
4 | <           # left operand is less than right operand
5 | >=          # left operand is greater than or equal to right operand
6 | <=          # left operand is less than or equal to right operand
7 | <element> is <element> # check if two operands refer to same object in memory
```

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LOGICAL OPERATORS

```
1 | 1 < 2 and 4 > 1 # True
2 | 1 > 3 or 4 > 1  # True
3 | 1 is not 4      # True
4 | not True       # False
5 | 1 not in [2,3,4]# True
6 |
7 | if <condition that evaluates to boolean>:
8 |     # perform action1
9 | elif <condition that evaluates to boolean>:
10 |     #perform action2
11 | else:
12 |     # perform action3
```

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LOOPS

```
1 | my_list = [1,2,3]
2 | my_tuple = (1,2,3)
3 | my_list2 = [(1,2), (3,4), (5,6)]
4 | my_dict = {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
```




```
5
6 for num in my_list:
7     print(num) # 1, 2, 3
8
9 for num in my_tuple:
10    print(num) # 1, 2, 3
11
12 for num in my_list2:
13    print(num) # (1,2), (3,4), (5,6)
14
15 for num in '123':
16    print(num) # 1, 2, 3
17
18 for k,v in my_dict.items(): #Dictionary Unpacking
19    print(k) # 'a', 'b', 'c'
20    print(v) # 1, 2, 3
21
22 while <condition that evaluates to boolean>:
23     # action
24     if <condition that evaluates to boolean>:
25         break # break out of while loop
26     if <condition that evaluates to boolean>:
27         continue #continue to the next line in the block
```

```
1 # waiting until user quits
2 msg = ''
3 while msg != 'quit':
4     msg = input("What should I do?")
5     print(msg)
```

RANGE

```
1 range(10)          # range(0, 10) --> 0 to 9
2 range(1,10)        # range(1, 10)
3 list(range(0,10,2))# [0, 2, 4, 6, 8]
```

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ENUMERATE

```
1 for i, el in enumerate('helloo'):
2     print(f'{i}, {el}')
3 # 0, h
4 # 1, e
5 # 2, l
6 # 3, l
7 # 4, o
8 # 5, o
```



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COUNTER

```
1 from collections import Counter
2 colors = ['red', 'blue', 'yellow', 'blue', 'red', 'blue']
3 counter = Counter(colors)# Counter({'blue': 3, 'red': 2, 'yellow': 1})
4 counter.most_common()[0] #('blue', 3)
```

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NAMED TUPLE

- Tuple is an immutable and hashable list.
- Named tuple is its subclass with named elements.

```
1 from collections import namedtuple
2 Point = namedtuple('Point', 'x y')
3 p = Point(1, y=2)# Point(x=1, y=2)
4 p[0] # 1
5 p.x # 1
6 getattr(p, 'y') # 2
7 p._fields # Or: Point._fields #('x', 'y')
```

```
1 from collections import namedtuple
2 Person = namedtuple('Person', 'name height')
3 person = Person('Jean-Luc', 187)
4 f'{person.height}' # '187'
5 '{p.height}'.format(p=person)# '187'
```

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ORDEREDDICT

Maintains order of insertion

```
1 from collections import OrderedDict
2 # Store each person's languages, keeping # track of who responded first.
3 programmers = OrderedDict()
4 programmers['Tim'] = ['python', 'javascript']
5 programmers['Sarah'] = ['C++']
6 programmers['Bia'] = ['Ruby', 'Python', 'Go']
7
8 for name, langs in programmers.items():
9     print(name + '-->')
```



```
11 |     for lang in langs:
        print('\t' + lang)
```

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FUNCTIONS

*args and **kwargs

Splat (*) expands a collection into positional arguments, while splatty-splat () expands a dictionary into keyword arguments.**

```
1 | args    = (1, 2)
2 | kwargs = {'x': 3, 'y': 4, 'z': 5}
3 | some_func(*args, **kwargs) # same as some_func(1, 2, x=3, y=4, z=5)
```

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* Inside Function Definition

Splat combines zero or more positional arguments into a tuple, while splatty-splat combines zero or more keyword arguments into a dictionary.

```
1 | def add(*a):
2 |     return sum(a)
3 |
4 | add(1, 2, 3) # 6
```

Ordering of parameters:

```
1 | def f(*args):                # f(1, 2, 3)
2 | def f(x, *args):             # f(1, 2, 3)
3 | def f(*args, z):             # f(1, 2, z=3)
4 | def f(x, *args, z):          # f(1, 2, z=3)
5 |
6 | def f(**kwargs):             # f(x=1, y=2, z=3)
7 | def f(x, **kwargs):          # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3)
8 |
9 | def f(*args, **kwargs):      # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, 2, z=3) | f(1, 2, 3)
10 | def f(x, *args, **kwargs):   # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, 2, z=3) | f(1, 2, 3)
11 | def f(*args, y, **kwargs):   # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3)
12 | def f(x, *args, z, **kwargs): # f(x=1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, y=2, z=3) | f(1, 2, z=3)
```

Other Uses of *

```
1 | [*[1,2,3], *[4]]            # [1, 2, 3, 4]
2 | {*[1,2,3], *[4]}            # {1, 2, 3, 4}
3 | (*[1,2,3], *[4])            # (1, 2, 3, 4)
4 | **{'a': 1, 'b': 2}, **{'c': 3}# {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
```



```
1 | head, *body, tail = [1,2,3,4,5]
```

LAMBDA

```
1 | # lambda: <return_value>
2 | # lambda <argument1>, <argument2>: <return_value>
```

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COMPREHENSIONS

```
1 | <list> = [i+1 for i in range(10)]           # [1, 2, ..., 10]
2 | <set>   = {i for i in range(10) if i > 5}    # {6, 7, 8, 9}
3 | <iter> = (i+5 for i in range(10))          # (5, 6, ..., 14)
4 | <dict> = {i: i*2 for i in range(10)}       # {0: 0, 1: 2, ..., 9: 18}
```

```
1 | output = [i+j for i in range(3) for j in range(3)] # [0, 1, 2, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4]
2 |
3 | # Is the same as:
4 | output = []
5 | for i in range(3):
6 |     for j in range(3):
7 |         output.append(i+j)
```

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TERNARY CONDITION

```
1 | # <expression_if_true> if <condition> else <expression_if_false>
2 |
3 | [a if a else 'zero' for a in [0, 1, 0, 3]] # ['zero', 1, 'zero', 3]
```

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MAP FILTER REDUCE

```
1 | from functools import reduce
2 | list(map(lambda x: x + 1, range(10)))      # [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
3 | list(filter(lambda x: x > 5, range(10)))   # (6, 7, 8, 9)
4 | list(reduce(lambda acc, x: acc + x, range(10))) # 45
```



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ANY ALL

```
1 | any([False, True, False])# True if at least one item in collection is truthy, False if empty.
2 | all([True,1,3,True])      # True if all items in collection are true
```

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CLOSURES

We have a closure in Python when:

- A nested function references a value of its enclosing function and then
- the enclosing function returns the nested function.

```
1 | def get_multiplier(a):
2 |     def out(b):
3 |         return a * b
4 |     return out
```

```
1 | >>> multiply_by_3 = get_multiplier(3)
2 | >>> multiply_by_3(10)
3 | 30
```

- If multiple nested functions within enclosing function reference the same value, that value gets shared.
- To dynamically access function's first free variable use '<function>.__closure__[0].cell_contents'.

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SCOPE

If variable is being assigned to anywhere in the scope, it is regarded as a local variable, unless it is declared as a 'global' or a 'nonlocal'.

```
1 | def get_counter():
2 |     i = 0
3 |     def out():
4 |         nonlocal i
5 |         i += 1
6 |         return i
7 |     return out
```

```
1 | >>> counter = get_counter()
2 | >>> counter(), counter(), counter()
```



3 | (1, 2, 3)

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MODULES

```
1 | if __name__ == '__main__': # Runs main() if file wasn't imported.  
2 |     main()
```

```
1 | import <module_name>  
2 | from <module_name> import <function_name>  
3 | import <module_name> as m  
4 | from <module_name> import <function_name> as m_function  
5 | from <module_name> import *
```

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ITERATORS

In this cheatsheet '<collection>' can also mean an iterator.

```
1 | <iter> = iter(<collection>)  
2 | <iter> = iter(<function>, to_exclusive) # Sequence of return values until 'to_exclusive'.  
3 | <el>   = next(<iter> [, default])      # Raises StopIteration or returns 'default' on end.
```

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GENERATORS

Convenient way to implement the iterator protocol.

```
1 | def count(start, step):  
2 |     while True:  
3 |         yield start  
4 |         start += step
```

```
1 | >>> counter = count(10, 2)  
2 | >>> next(counter), next(counter), next(counter)  
3 | (10, 12, 14)
```

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DECORATORS

A decorator takes a function, adds some functionality and returns it.

```
1 | @decorator_name
2 | def function_that_gets_passed_to_decorator():
3 |     ...
```

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DEBUGGER EXAMPLE

Decorator that prints function's name every time it gets called.

```
1 | from functools import wraps
2 |
3 | def debug(func):
4 |     @wraps(func)
5 |     def out(*args, **kwargs):
6 |         print(func.__name__)
7 |         return func(*args, **kwargs)
8 |     return out
9 |
10 | @debug
11 | def add(x, y):
12 |     return x + y
```

- Wraps is a helper decorator that copies metadata of function add() to function out().
- Without it 'add.__name__' would return 'out'.

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CLASS

User defined objects are created using the class keyword

```
1 | class <name>:
2 |     age = 80 # Class Object Attribute
3 |     def __init__(self, a):
4 |         self.a = a #Object Attribute
5 |
6 |     @classmethod
7 |     def get_class_name(cls):
8 |         return cls.__name__
```

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INHERITANCE

```
1 | class Person:
2 |     def __init__(self, name, age):
3 |         self.name = name
4 |         self.age = age
5 |
6 | class Employee(Person):
7 |     def __init__(self, name, age, staff_num):
8 |         super().__init__(name, age)
9 |         self.staff_num = staff_num
```

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MULTIPLE INHERITANCE

```
1 | class A: pass
2 | class B: pass
3 | class C(A, B): pass
```

MRO determines the order in which parent classes are traversed when searching for a method:

```
1 | >>> C.mro()
2 | [<class 'C'>, <class 'A'>, <class 'B'>, <class 'object'>]
```

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EXCEPTIONS

```
1 | try:
2 |     5/0
3 | except ZeroDivisionError:
4 |     print("No division by zero!")
```

```
1 | while True:
2 |     try:
3 |         x = int(input('Enter your age: '))
4 |     except ValueError:
5 |         print('Oops! That was no valid number. Try again...')
6 |     else: # code that depends on the try block running successfully should be placed in the else block.
7 |         print('Carry on!')
8 |         break
```

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RAISING EXCEPTION

```
1 | raise ValueError('some error message')
```

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FINALLY

```
1 | try:
2 |     raise KeyboardInterrupt
3 | except:
4 |     print('oops')
5 | finally:
6 |     print('All done!')
```

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COMMAND LINE ARGUMENTS

```
1 | import sys
2 | script_name = sys.argv[0]
3 | arguments   = sys.argv[1:]
```

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FILE IO

Opens a file and returns a corresponding file object.

```
1 | <file> = open('<path>', mode='r', encoding=None)
```

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Modes

- 'r' - **Read (default).**
- 'w' - **Write (truncate).**
- 'x' - **Write or fail if the file already exists.**



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- 'a+' - Read and write from the end.
- 't' - Text mode (default).
- 'b' - Binary mode.

File

```
1 | <file>.seek(0) # Moves to the start of the file.

1 | <str/bytes> = <file>.readline() # Returns a line.
2 | <list>      = <file>.readlines() # Returns a list of lines.

1 | <file>.write(<str/bytes>) # Writes a string or bytes object.
2 | <file>.writelines(<list>) # Writes a list of strings or bytes objects.
```

- Methods do not add or strip trailing newlines.

Read Text from File

```
1 | def read_file(filename):
2 |     with open(filename, encoding='utf-8') as file:
3 |         return file.readlines() #or read()
4 |
5 | for line in read_file(filename):
6 |     print(line)
```

Write Text to File

```
1 | def write_to_file(filename, text):
2 |     with open(filename, 'w', encoding='utf-8') as file:
3 |         file.write(text)
```

Append Text to File

```
1 | def append_to_file(filename, text):
2 |     with open(filename, 'a', encoding='utf-8') as file:
3 |         file.write(text)
```

USEFUL LIBRARIES



CSV

```
1 | import csv
```

Read Rows from CSV File

```
1 | def read_csv_file(filename):  
2 |     with open(filename, encoding='utf-8') as file:  
3 |         return csv.reader(file, delimiter=',')
```

Write Rows to CSV File

```
1 | def write_to_csv_file(filename, rows):  
2 |     with open(filename, 'w', encoding='utf-8') as file:  
3 |         writer = csv.writer(file, delimiter=',')  
4 |         writer.writerows(rows)
```

JSON

```
1 | import json  
2 | <str> = json.dumps(<object>, ensure_ascii=True, indent=None)  
3 | <object> = json.loads(<str>)
```

Read Object from JSON File

```
1 | def read_json_file(filename):  
2 |     with open(filename, encoding='utf-8') as file:  
3 |         return json.load(file)
```

Write Object to JSON File

```
1 | def write_to_json_file(filename, an_object):  
2 |     with open(filename, 'w', encoding='utf-8') as file:  
3 |         json.dump(an_object, file, ensure_ascii=False, indent=2)
```

Pickle

```
1 | import pickle  
2 | <bytes> = pickle.dumps(<object>)  
3 | <object> = pickle.loads(<bytes>)
```



Read Object from File

```
1 | def read_pickle_file(filename):  
2 |     with open(filename, 'rb') as file:  
3 |         return pickle.load(file)
```

Write Object to File

```
1 | def write_to_pickle_file(filename, an_object):  
2 |     with open(filename, 'wb') as file:  
3 |         pickle.dump(an_object, file)
```

Profile

Basic

```
1 | from time import time  
2 | start_time = time() # Seconds since  
3 | ...  
4 | duration = time() - start_time
```

Math

```
1 | from math import e, pi  
2 | from math import cos, acos, sin, asin, tan, atan, degrees, radians  
3 | from math import log, log10, log2  
4 | from math import inf, nan, isinf, isnan
```

Statistics

```
1 | from statistics import mean, median, variance, pvariance, pstdev
```

Random

```
1 | from random import random, randint, choice, shuffle  
2 | random() # random float between 0 and 1  
3 | randint(0, 100) # random integer between 0 and 100  
4 | random_el = choice([1,2,3,4]) # select a random element from list  
5 | shuffle([1,2,3,4]) # shuffles a list
```

Datetime



- Module 'datetime' provides 'date' <D>, 'time' <T>, 'datetime' <DT> and 'timedelta' <TD> classes. All are immutable and hashable.
- Time and datetime can be 'aware' <a>, meaning they have defined timezone, or 'naive' <n>, meaning they don't.
- If object is naive it is presumed to be in system's timezone.

```
1 from datetime import date, time, datetime, timedelta
2 from dateutil.tz import UTC, tzlocal, gettz
```

Constructors

```
1 <D> = date(year, month, day)
2 <T> = time(hour=0, minute=0, second=0, microsecond=0, tzinfo=None, fold=0)
3 <DT> = datetime(year, month, day, hour=0, minute=0, second=0, ...)
4 <TD> = timedelta(days=0, seconds=0, microseconds=0, milliseconds=0,
5                 minutes=0, hours=0, weeks=0)
```

- Use '`<D/DT>.weekday()`' to get the day of the week (Mon == 0).
- '`fold=1`' means second pass in case of time jumping back for one hour.

Now

```
1 <D/DTn> = D/DT.today() # Current local date or naive datetime.
2 <DTn> = DT.utcnow() # Naive datetime from current UTC time.
3 <DTa> = DT.now(<tz>) # Aware datetime from current tz time.
```

Timezone

```
1 <tz> = UTC # UTC timezone.
2 <tz> = tzlocal() # Local timezone.
3 <tz> = gettz('<Cont.>/<City>') # Timezone from 'Continent/City_Name' str.

1 <DTa> = <DT>.astimezone(<tz>) # Datetime, converted to passed timezone.
2 <Ta/DTa> = <T/DT>.replace(tzinfo=<tz>) # Unconverted object with new timezone.
```

Regex

```
1 import re
2 <str> = re.sub(<regex>, new, text, count=0) # Substitutes all occurrences.
3 <list> = re.findall(<regex>, text) # Returns all occurrences.
4 <list> = re.split(<regex>, text, maxsplit=0) # Use brackets in regex to keep the matches.
5 <Match> = re.search(<regex>, text) # Searches for first occurrence of pattern.
6 <Match> = re.match(<regex>, text) # Searches only at the beginning of the text.
```

Match Object



```
1 | <str> = <Match>.group() # Whole match.
2 | <str> = <Match>.group(1) # Part in first bracket.
3 | <tuple> = <Match>.groups() # All bracketed parts.
4 | <int> = <Match>.start() # Start index of a match.
5 | <int> = <Match>.end() # Exclusive end index of a match.
```

Special Sequences

Expressions below hold true for strings that contain only ASCII characters. Use capital letters for negation.

```
1 | '\d' == '[0-9]' # Digit
2 | '\s' == '[\t\n\r\f\v]' # Whitespace
3 | '\w' == '[a-zA-Z0-9_]'
```

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