



Type bool: Booleans in Python

Boolean values

The Python type `bool` has two values: `True` and `False`.

Comparison operators

The comparison operators take two values and produce a Boolean value.

Description	Operator	Example	Result of example
less than	<code><</code>	<code>3 < 4</code>	<code>True</code>
greater than	<code>></code>	<code>3 > 4</code>	<code>False</code>
equal to	<code>==</code>	<code>3 == 4</code>	<code>False</code>
greater than or equal to	<code>>=</code>	<code>3 >= 4</code>	<code>False</code>
less than or equal to	<code><=</code>	<code>3 <= 4</code>	<code>True</code>
not equal to	<code>!=</code>	<code>3 != 4</code>	<code>True</code>

Logical operators

There are also three logical operators that produce Boolean values: `and`, `or`, and `not`.

Description	Operator	Example	Result of example
not	<code>not</code>	<code>not (80 >= 50)</code>	<code>False</code>
and	<code>and</code>	<code>(80 >= 50) and (70 <= 50)</code>	<code>False</code>
or	<code>or</code>	<code>(80 >= 50) or (70 <= 50)</code>	<code>True</code>

The and Logic Table

The `and` operator produces `True` if and only if both expressions are `True`.

As such, if the first operand is `False`, the second condition will not even be checked, because it is already known that the expression will produce `False`.

<i>expr1</i>	<i>expr2</i>	<i>expr1</i> <code>and</code> <i>expr2</i>
True	True	True
True	False	False
False	True	False
False	False	False

The `or` Logic Table

The `or` operator evaluates to `True` if and only if at least one operand is `True`.

As such, if the first operand is `True`, the second condition will not even be checked, because it is already known that the expression will produce `True`.

<i>expr1</i>	<i>expr2</i>	<i>expr1</i> <code>or</code> <i>expr2</i>
True	True	True
True	False	True
False	True	True
False	False	False

The `not` Logic Table

The `not` operator evaluates to `True` if and only if the operand is `False`.

<i>expr1</i>	<code>not</code> <i>expr1</i>
True	False
False	True

Double-negation can be simplified. For example, the expression `not not (4 == 5)` can be simplified to `4 == 5`.

Order of Precedence for Logical Operators

The order of precedence for logical operators is: `not`, `and`, then `or`. We can override precedence using parentheses and parentheses can also be added to make things easier to read and understand.

For example, the `not` operator is applied before the `or` operator in the following code:

```
>>> grade = 80
>>> grade2 = 90
>>> not grade >= 50 or grade2 >= 50
True
```

Parentheses can be added to make this clearer: `(not grade >= 50) or (grade2 >= 50)`

Alternatively, parentheses can be added to change the order of operations: `not ((grade >= 50) or (grade2 >= 50))`

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