

# How to install Python

These pages have instructions for installing Python and running Python from a terminal prompt.

Windows - <http://bit.ly/WU3ZgO>

OS X - <http://bit.ly/l3ubpww>

Linux - <http://bit.ly/WU4ckb>

# How to get to the Python prompt

For most of these exercises, you'll need to type things at the Python prompt. To get one:

On Windows:

Start > Run > cmd.exe

Type this, and press enter:

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\python27\python
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On Linux or Mac OS:

Navigate to Applications/ Terminal

Type this, and press enter:

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python
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# Create an Appsuma account

For some of these exercises, we'll be typing complete scripts and running them with a tool called Appsuma.

To get ready, go to Appsuma.com and create a free account:

<https://appsoma.com/>

If you have time, check out some of the tutorials (we'll also go over this in class):

<https://appsoma.com/tutorials>

# Choose a text editor

In addition to being able to run Python, you should pick the text editor you'll use for writing and saving Python code.

On Windows, you might use Notepad:

Start > Programs > Accessories > Notepad

On OS X, you might use TextEdit:

Search for TextEdit from Spotlight OR

Navigate to Applications/TextEdit

On Linux, you might use GEdit

Applications > Accessories > Text Editor