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Python 3 Cheat Sheet

Update (Nov 19 2018): Added exceptions and classes.

I've created this Python 3 cheat sheet to help beginners remember Python language syntax. You can also download this cheat sheet as a beautiful PDF [here](#).

NOTE: This cheat sheet is a work in progress and is not complete yet. I'll be adding new stuff to it over the next few weeks. So, be sure to come back and get the latest version.

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If you're starting out with Python and are looking for a fun and comprehensive tutorial, check out my YouTube tutorials. I have two Python tutorials. If you have no or little programming experience, I suggest you check out my [Python tutorial for beginners](#). Otherwise, if you know the basics (eg variables, functions, conditional statements, loops) and are looking for a tutorial that gets straight to the point and doesn't treat you like a beginner, check out my [Python tutorial for programmers](#).

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Variables

```
1 | a = 1           # integer
2 | b = 1.1         # float
3 | c = 1 + 2j      # complex number (a + bi)
4 | d = "a"         # string
5 | e = True        # boolean (True / False)
```

Strings

```
01 | x = "Python"
02 | len(x)
03 | x[0]
04 | x[-1]
05 | x[0:3]
06 |
07 | # Formatted strings
08 | name = f"{first} {last}"
09 |
10 | # Escape sequences
11 | \" \"' \\ \n
12 |
13 | # String methods
14 | x.upper()
15 | x.lower()
16 | x.title()
17 | x.strip()
18 | x.find("p")
19 | x.replace("a", "b")
20 | "a" in x
```

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Type Conversion

```
1 | int(x)
2 | float(x)
3 | bool(x)
4 | string(x)
```

Falsy Values

```
1 | 0
2 | ""
3 | []
```

Conditional Statements

```
01 | if x == 1:
02 |     print("a")
03 | elif x == 2:
04 |     print("b")
05 | else:
06 |     print("c")
07 |
08 | # Ternary operator
09 | x = "a" if n > 1 else "b"
10 |
11 | # Chaining comparison operators
12 | if 18 <= age < 65:
```

Loops

```
1 | for n in range(1, 10):
2 |     print(n)
3 |
4 | while n < 10:
5 |     print(n)
6 |     n += 1
```

Functions

```
01 | def increment(number, by=1):
02 |     return number + by
03 |
04 | # Keyword arguments
05 | increment(2, by=1)
06 |
07 | # Variable number of arguments
08 | def multiply(*numbers):
09 |     for number in numbers:
10 |         print number
11 |
12 |
13 | multiply(1, 2, 3, 4)
14 |
15 | # Variable number of keyword arguments
16 | def save_user(**user):
17 |
```

```
17     ...
18
19
20 save_user(id=1, name="Mosh")
```

Lists

```
01 # Creating lists
02 letters = ["a", "b", "c"]
03 matrix = [[0, 1], [1, 2]]
04 zeros = [0] * 5
05 combined = zeros + letters
06 numbers = list(range(20))
07
08 # Accessing items
09 letters = ["a", "b", "c", "d"]
10 letters[0] # "a"
11 letters[-1] # "d"
12
13 # Slicing lists
14 letters[0:3] # "a", "b", "c"
15 letters[:3] # "a", "b", "c"
16 letters[0:] # "a", "b", "c", "d"
17 letters[:] # "a", "b", "c", "d"
18 letters[:2] # "a", "c"
19 letters[::-1] # "d", "c", "b", "a"
20
21 # Unpacking
22 first, second, *other = letters
23
24 # Looping over lists
25 for letter in letters:
26     ...
27
28 for index, letter in enumerate(letters):
29     ...
30
31 # Adding items
32 letters.append("e")
33 letters.insert(0, "-")
34
35 # Removing items
36 letters.pop()
37 letters.pop(0)
38 letters.remove("b")
39 del letters[0:3]
40
41 # Finding items
42 if "f" in letters:
43     letters.index("f")
44
45 # Sorting lists
46 letters.sort()
47 letters.sort(reverse=True)
48
49 # Custom sorting
50 items = [
51     ("Product1", 10),
52     ("Product2", 9),
53     ("Product3", 11)
```

```

54 ]
55
56 items.sort(key=lambda item: item[1])
57
58 # Map and filter
59 prices = list(map(lambda item: item[1], items))
60 expensive_items = list(filter(lambda item: item[1] >= 10, items))
61
62 # List comprehensions
63 prices = [item[1] for item in items]
64 expensive_items = [item[1] for item in items if item[1] >= 10]
65
66 # Zip function
67 list1 = [1, 2, 3]
68 list2 = [10, 20, 30]
69 combined = list(zip(list1, list2)) # [(1, 10), (2, 20), (3, 30)]

```

Tuples

```

01 point = (1, 2, 3)
02 point[0:2] # (1, 2)
03 x, y, z = point
04 if 10 in point:
05     ...
06
07 # Swapping variables
08 x = 10
09 y = 11
10 x, y = y, x

```

Arrays

```

1 from array import array
2
3 numbers = array("i", [1, 2, 3])

```

Sets

```

01 first = {1, 2, 3, 4}
02 second = {1, 5}
03
04 first | second # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
05 first & second # {1}
06 first - second # {2, 3, 4}
07 first ^ second # {2, 3, 4, 5}
08
09 if 1 in first:
10     ...

```

Dictionaries

```

01 point = {"x": 1, "y": 2}
02 point = dict(x=1, y=2)
03 point["z"] = 3
04 if "a" in point:
05     ...

```

```

06 point.get("a", 0)    # 0
07 del point["x"]
08 for key, value in point.items():
09     ...
10
11 # Dictionary comprehensions
12 values = {x: x * 2 for x in range(5)}

```

Generator Expressions

```

1 values = (x * 2 for x in range(10000))
2 len(values)    # Error
3 for x in values:

```

Unpacking Operator

```

1 first = [1, 2, 3]
2 second = [4, 5, 6]
3 combined = [*first, "a", *second]
4
5 first = {"x": 1}
6 second = {"y": 2}
7 combined = {**first, **second}

```

Exceptions

```

01 # Handling Exceptions
02 try:
03     ...
04 except (ValueError, ZeroDivisionError):
05     ...
06 else:
07     # no exceptions raised
08 finally:
09     # cleanup code
10
11 # Raising exceptions
12 if x < 1:
13     raise ValueError("...")
14
15 # The with statement
16 with open("file.txt") as file:
17     ...

```

Classes

```

01 # Creating classes
02 class Point:
03     def __init__(self, x, y):
04         self.x = x
05         self.y = y
06
07     def draw(self):
08         ...
09
10 # Instance vs class attributes
11 class Point:

```

```

12     default_color = "red"
13
14     def __init__(self, x, y):
15         self.x = x
16
17 # Instance vs class methods
18 class Point:
19     def draw(self):
20         ...
21
22     @classmethod
23     def zero(cls):
24         return cls(0, 0)
25
26
27 # Magic methods
28 __str__()
29 __eq__()
30 __cmp__()
31 ...
32
33 # Private members
34 class Point:
35     def __init__(self, x):
36         self.__x = x
37
38
39 # Properties
40 class Point:
41     def __init__(self, x):
42         self.__x = x
43
44     @property
45     def x(self):
46         return self.__x
47
48     @property.setter
49     def x(self, value):
50         self.__x = value
51
52 # Inheritance
53 class FileStream(Stream):
54     def open(self):
55         super().open()
56         ...
57
58 # Multiple inheritance
59 class FlyingFish(Flyer, Swimmer):
60     ...
61
62 # Abstract base classes
63 from abc import ABC, abstractmethod
64
65 class Stream(ABC):
66     @abstractmethod
67     def read(self):
68         pass
69
70 # Named tuples
71 from collections import namedtuple
72

```

```
73 Point = namedtuple("Point", ["x", "y"])
74 point = Point(x=1, y=2)
```



Mosh

Hi! My name is Mosh Hamedani. I'm a software engineer with two decades of experience and I've taught over three million people how to code or how to become professional software engineers through my YouTube channel and online courses. It's my mission to make software engineering accessible to everyone.



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str(x) instead of string(x)

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Great Cheatsheet. Just had a glance at Tuples Block.
Use Square brackets for print.


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thanks sir now i will be enjoying the learning

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you are very good teacher MOSH

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Hello, pretty sure you have a typo on the first page. "Numer functions" was probably meant to be "Number functions" since google's only real result searching for that exact phrase and python is this pdf.

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Good Job Mosh, I am a network engineer for so many years, I never code before, it was a nightmare for me, but with this class you made it not just easy but also a fun thing to do.


Thank you so much

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Tnx Mosh you are best teacher online.

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Thank you mosh nice cheat sheet

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Thanks a lot!

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```
values = {x * 2 for x in range(10)}  
print(values) # no Error
```

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