Introduction to Programming with Python 2/3

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Experiment with the Code

Plan for Today

- Revision (What did we not learn last week?)
- Lists
- Dictionaries
- Exercises

Revision

- Python Tool
 - Open Terminal
 - Run "py" (Windows) or "python" (macOS, Linux)
 - Python interpreter: ">>>"
 - Run individual python commands immediately: A = 42
 - Exit with: exit()
 - Python scripts (.py files)
 - Run python path/to/your/python/script.py
 - Edit scripts with your favorite text editor (Editor, Notepad++, vim, etc.)
- Variables
- Branching
- Loops
- Functions

py not python on Windows!

- Store several values in order:

```
movies = ['Interstellar', 'Star Trek', 'Contact']
```

- Read items from lists:

```
favorite = movies[2] #'Contact'
Note: Computers start indexing at 0!
```

- Change lists:

```
movies[1] = 'Star Wars'
```

- Extend lists:

```
movies.extend(['2001: A Space Odyssey', 'Alien'])
```

- Insert into lists:

```
movies.insert(3, 'The Martian')
```

- Remove from lists:

```
movies.remove('Interstellar')
movies.pop() #removes the last element
```

- And lots more:

```
i = movies.index('Star Wars') #get the first index
l = len(movies) #get the length of the list
movies.sort()
movies.reverse()
#...
```

```
movies = ['Interstellar', 'Star Trek', 'Contact']
favorite = movies[2]
movies[1] = 'Star Wars'
movies.extend(['2001: A Space Odyssey', 'Alien'])
movies.insert(3, 'The Martian')
movies.remove('Interstellar')
movies.pop()
i = movies.index('Star Wars')
l = len(movies)
movies.sort()
movies.reverse()
```

```
#...
print(movies)
print(favorite)
print(i)
print(l)
```

```
def isPrime(x):
    for y in range(2, x):
        if x % y == 0:
            return False
    return True
```

```
# . . .
primes = []
i = 2
while len(primes) < 100:
   if isPrime(i):
       primes.extend([x])
   i += 1
print(primes)
```

- Dicts assign values to keys:

```
ratings = {'Titanic':4, '500 Days of Summer':3,
'Twilight':1}
```

- Get values for keys:

```
stars = ratings['500 Days of Summer']
```

- Set values for keys:

```
ratings['La La Land'] = 3
```

- Deleting Items:

```
del ratings['Twilight']
ratings.clear()
```

```
ratings = {'Titanic':4, '500 Days of Summer':3, 'Twilight':1}
stars = ratings['500 Days of Summer']
ratings['La La Land'] = 3
del ratings['Twilight']
print(ratings)
print(stars)
```

```
credentials = {} #stores usernames and passwords
```

```
def login():
   print('Username:')
   username = input()
   print('Password:')
   password = input()
   if (username in credentials) == False:
      print('Unknown user!')
   elif password == credentials[username]:
      print('Success!')
   else:
      print('You are a fraudster!')
```

```
def newUser():
   print('Username:')
   username = input()
   print('Password:')
   password = input()
   credentials[username] = password
   print('Welcome!')
```

```
while True:
   command = input()
   if command == 'login':
       login()
   elif command == 'new':
       newUser()
   elif command == 'exit':
       exit()
   else:
      print('Unknown command')
```

Further resources

The official Python tutorial:
 https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/

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