

# Ways to Write & Run Python Scripts (Windows)

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## ◆ 1. Notepad++ + Command Line

### Writing Python Code

1. Open Notepad++.
2. Write your Python code:

```
print("Hello from Notepad++!")
```

3. Save the file with `.py` extension, e.g., `hello.py`.  
 Make sure the file is saved in a known location like  
`C:\PythonScripts\hello.py`.

### Running the Script

1. Open Command Prompt (`Win + R` → type `cmd`).
2. Navigate to the file location:

```
cd C:\PythonScripts
```

3. Run the script using:

```
python hello.py
```

### Output:

Hello from Notepad++!

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## ◆ 2. PyCharm IDE

### Writing Code in PyCharm

1. Open PyCharm → New Project
2. Inside the project, right-click on the folder → New → Python File → Name it **hello**
3. Write your code:

```
print("Hello from PyCharm!")
```

### Running the Script

- Right-click on the file → Click "Run hello"
- Or click the green play icon on top-right.

### Output appears in the Run Console at the bottom.

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## ◆ 3. Python Shell (Interactive Mode)

### Access Python Shell

1. Press **Win + S**, type **python** → Open the Python shell (interactive mode).
2. You'll see:

```
>>>
```

## Writing Code

Type directly:

```
>>> print("Hello from Python Shell!")
```

### Output:

Hello from Python Shell!

 **Good for quick testing, math, string operations, etc.**

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## Bonus Tip:

To exit the Python Shell:

```
>>> exit()
```

or just press **Ctrl + Z → Enter**

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## Summary Table:

Tool	How to Write	How to Run	Best For
Notepad++	Simple text editor	<code>python file.py</code> in CMD	Lightweight scripting
PyCharm	Full-featured IDE	Built-in run button	Real projects, debugging
Python Shell	Write inside terminal	Executes instantly	Quick experiments, testing

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## **About the Author**

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