

Making Decisions

Objectives

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Evaluate expressions using operators like ==, >, >=, <, <=.
- Use if statements to make decisions based on comparison results.
- Utilize if-else and nested if-else statements for complex decision-making.

Comparing Values Using Operators

Python provides several operators for comparing values.

Operators include ==, >, >=, <, <=.

Each operator serves a different purpose for comparison.

Using the Comparison Operator (==)

```
x = 5
```

```
y = 7
```

```
result = x == y
```

```
print(result) # Output: False
```

Using the Greater Than Operator (>)

```
score = 90
```

```
passing_score = 70
```

```
is_passing = score > passing_score
```

```
print(is_passing)
```

```
# Output: True
```

Making Decisions with Conditional Statements

```
number = 10
```

```
if number > 0:
```

```
print("The number is positive.")
```

- Conditional statements allow programs to react differently based on conditions.
- The if statement is the most basic form of control flow.

The 'if-else' statement

```
number = 7
```

```
if number % 2 == 0:
```

```
    print("The number is even.")
```

```
else:
```

```
    print("The number is odd.")
```

Nested 'if-else'

```
number = -5
```

```
if number > 0:
```

```
    print("The number is positive.")
```

```
elif number < 0:
```

```
    print("The number is negative.")
```

```
else:
```

```
    print("The number is zero.")
```