



## CL13 – Variables

Today will be a pencil and paper/tablet kind of day!

# Announcements

## Re: Quiz 01:

- Great job! We'll have these returned back to you soon.
- Once grades are published, [visit Office Hours and Tutoring](#) to go over quiz questions you missed – we *want* to help you!

**LS 09: Variables** due tonight at 11:59pm

## EX02: Chardle

- Uses concepts from last unit and today
- A first step in your implementation of Wordle!
- Posted by Feb 19

Warm-Up: Discuss these questions with a neighbor, then diagram how you believe this works:

```
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2      y: int
3      y = x * 2
4      return y
5
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```

Questions to discuss with a neighbor:

**What does line 2 remind you of?**

**What does line 3 remind you of?**

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Examples:

`students: int`

`message: str`

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## Variable Access

- “Reading” or using a variable name in an expression

# Left-hand vs. Right-hand Side of Assignment

Each side of the assignment operator (=) plays a distinct role in variable assignment!

# Identify key concepts, then trace the program in a diagram!

Identify: Declaration, Initialization vs. Assignment, Access

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# Common Variable Errors

`UnboundLocalError` – Occurs when attempting to access a variable that is declared in a function but not yet initialized

`NameError` – Occurs when attempting to access a variable that has not been declared. Commonly from typos or renaming a variable and not updating all accesses

# Why variables?

One reason: to store the results of function calls for later use!

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