

Starter: There are three mistakes in this program. What are the mistakes and how do you fix them?

```
name = Jess  
age = 20
```

```
print('My name is {} and I am {} years old').format(age, name)
```



Python Session 2

This session:

1. User Input
2. Importing modules
3. Problem solving with Turtle
4. For Loops
5. Functions

By the end of this you will be able to:

- Construct programs that use user input
- Describe the purpose of Python modules
- Solve problems to create drawings using the Turtle module
- Modify duplicated code to use for Loops
- Construct reusable functions

User Input

The `input()` function allows you to input data after the program has started running

This program uses input to ask what your name is

```
In [1]: name = input('What is your name? ')
        print('Hello, {}'.format(name))
```

```
What is your name? Jess
Hello, Jess
```

[GIF OF USING input()]

Exercise 2.1: Write a program that asks two questions using `input()` then prints the values that were entered. You can choose any questions that you want.

Example:

```
In [2]: animal = input('Do you like dogs or cats more? ')
pet_name = input('What would name your pet? ')

print('You like {} and you would name your pet {}'.format(animal, pet_name))
```

```
Do you like dogs or cats more? dogs
What would name your pet? Fredward
You like dogs and you would name your pet Fredward
```

The `int()` function converts string value into integer values:

```
In [3]: apples_string = '12'  
total_apples = int(apples_string) + 5  
  
print(total_apples)
```

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The `input()` always returns a string value. You can convert this string value to an integer with `int()`:

```
In [4]: purchased_apples = input('How many apples did you buy? ')
total_apples = int(purchased_apples) + 5

print(total_apples)
```

```
How many apples did you buy? 31
36
```

Exercise 2.2: You have friends at your house for dinner and you've accidentally burnt the lasagne. Time to order pizza.

Write a program calculate how many pizzas you need to feed you and your friends

```
In [ ]: friends = # Add input here
pizzas = friends * 0.5

print('You need {} pizzas for {} friends'.format(pizzas, friends))
```

Solution

```
In [5]: friends = int(input('How many friends are at your house? '))  
pizzas = friends * 0.5  
  
print('You need {} pizzas for {} friends'.format(pizzas, friends))
```

```
How many friends are at your house? 4  
You need 2.0 pizzas for 4 friends
```

Python Modules

Module: Code that someone else has written that you can reuse in your programs

Modules are imported into your Python programs:

```
In [ ]: import turtle
```

Turtle is module for creating basic drawings.

Problem Solving (with Turtle)

After importing a module you can use the module's functions:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

turtle.forward(100)
turtle.right(130)
turtle.forward(100)

turtle.done()
```

`turtle.forward(100)` moves the turtle forward by a number of pixels

`turtle.right(130)` rotates the turtle by a number of degrees

`turtle.done()` tells the turtle that you've finished giving it commands. Without this it will wait for new commands (if run from the shell) or disappear (if run from file).

You can change the turtle's speed:

- `turtle.speed('slowest')` for slow
- `turtle.speed('fastest')` for fast

A square has **four** sides and an angle of **ninety** degrees:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

turtle.forward(100)
turtle.right(90)

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turtle.right(90)

turtle.forward(100)
turtle.right(90)

turtle.forward(100)
turtle.right(90)

turtle.done()
```

Variables can be used to set the angles and size of your shapes:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

side_length = 200
angle = 90

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.done()
```

You can play around with filling the shape and colors:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

side_length = 200
angle = 90

turtle.color('red', 'pink')
turtle.begin_fill()

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.end_fill()

turtle.done()
```

Exercise 2.3: Create a new file called `triangle.py`. Using `turtle` draw a triangle.

A triangle has **three** sides and an angle of **120** degrees

Extension: Make the triangle blue

Solution

```
In [ ]: import turtle

side_length = 100
angle = 120

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.done()
```

Extension Solution

```
In [ ]: import turtle

side_length = 100
angle = 120

turtle.color('blue', 'blue')
turtle.begin_fill()

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.end_fill()

turtle.done()
```

For Loops

for loop: allows you to repeat a block of code multiple times

```
In [ ]: for number in range(100):  
        print(number)
```

A for loop has

- A for operator
- A variable name that stores each list value one at a time
- An in operator
- A list of values
- A body (indented four spaces)

The pre-written `range()` function can be used to make a `for` loop repeat a certain number of times.

The `range()` function starts counting from 0

```
In [6]: for number in range(5):  
        print(number)
```

```
0  
1  
2  
3  
4
```

For loops are really useful for repeating code. Notice in the original code for the square that you repeat the same bit of code four times:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

side_length = 200
angle = 90

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.done()
```

Using a for loop you can simplify the program:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

side_length = 200
angle = 90

for side in range(4):
    turtle.forward(side_length)
    turtle.right(angle)

turtle.done()
```


Exercise 2.4: Choose your sides

In this exercise you'll create a program that can draw shapes with any number of sides.

When you run the program it will ask you to input the number of sides that the shape should have. The program will then calculate the correct angle for the shape and draw it for you.

I've started the program for you:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

sides = int(input('Number of sides: '))

angle = 360 / sides
side_length = 60

# Add the for loop here
turtle.forward(side_length)
turtle.right(angle)

turtle.done()
```

Solution

```
In [ ]: import turtle

        sides = int(input('Number of sides: '))

        angle = 360 / sides
        side_length = 60

        for side in range(sides):
            turtle.forward(side_length)
            turtle.right(angle)

        turtle.done()
```

Functions

Function: A reusable block of code

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def square():
    side_length = 100
    angle = 90

    for side in range(4):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)
```

All functions have

1. a `def` operator
2. a name
3. brackets
4. a colon
5. body (indented 4 spaces)

You write a function with its name and brackets () to use/call it e.g. square ()

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def square():
    side_length = 100
    angle = 90

    for side in range(4):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

square()
```

Functions can be called many times

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def square():
    side_length = 100
    angle = 90

    for side in range(4):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

square()
turtle.forward(150)
square()
```

Exercise 2.5: Create a function that draws a triangle using turtle.

Solution

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def triangle():
    side_length = 100
    angle = 120

    for side in range(3):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

triangle()
```

Function Arguments

Argument: A piece of data that is given to a function when it is called

Arguments go inside the brackets and behave like variables

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def square(side_length):
    angle = 90

    for side in range(4):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

square(60)
square(100)
```

Exercise 2.6: Modify your triangle function so that you can set the **side length** using an argument

Extension: Use a second argument to set the **colour** of the triangle

Solution

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def triangle(side_length):
    angle = 120

    for side in range(3):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

triangle(400)
triangle(300)
triangle(200)
triangle(100)
```

Extension:

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def triangle(side_length, colour):
    angle = 120

    turtle.color(colour, colour)
    turtle.begin_fill()

    for side in range(3):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

    turtle.end_fill()

triangle(400, 'red')
triangle(300, 'pink')
triangle(200, 'blue')
triangle(100, 'yellow')
```

Functions can have multiple arguments separated by commas

```
In [ ]: import turtle

def square(side_length, colour):
    angle = 90

    turtle.color(colour, colour)
    turtle.begin_fill()

    for side in range(4):
        turtle.forward(side_length)
        turtle.right(angle)

    turtle.end_fill()

square(400, 'red')
square(300, 'pink')
square(200, 'blue')
square(100, 'yellow')
```


Returning Values from Function

Values can be returned from functions using the `return` operator

```
In [7]: def add(num_1, num_2):  
        return num_1 + num_2  
  
        total_height = add(182, 160)  
  
        print(total_height)
```

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Exercise 2.7: Complete the function to return the area of a circle

Use the comments to help you

```
In [ ]: def circle_area(): # add the radius argument inside the brackets
        area = 3.14 * (radius ** 2)
        # return area here

circle_1 = circle_area(10)

print(circle_1)
```

Solution

```
In [8]: def circle_area(radius):  
        area = 3.14 * (radius ** 2)  
        return area  
  
        area = circle_area(9)  
  
        print(area)
```

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Recap

This session:

1. Importing modules
2. Problem solving with Turtle
3. For Loops
4. Functions

Question 1: What is a Python module?

Question 2: What is more suitable name for this function?

```
In [ ]: def x(days):  
         minutes = days * 24 * 60  
         return minutes  
  
print(x(10))
```


Question 3: Why won't this program run?

```
In [ ]: for number in range(100)  
        print(number)
```

Homework: Session 2 homework questions in your student guide