



In this chapter you will learn how to

- Create lists
- Read an item from a list
- Add an item to a list
- Remove an item from a list
- Replace an item

Python Lists

• List of elements in memory

Steve Helen

Address an element using its index

```
numbers = [1,3,5,7,9]
print(numbers[0])
print(numbers[2])
```

```
[0] 1
[1] 3
[2] 5
[3] 7
```

```
names = ["Bob", "Steve", "Helen"]
print(names[1])
```

The len() function

• Use the len() function to get the length of a List

```
names = ["Bob", "Steve", "Helen"]
print(len(names))
```

Iterating through a List - for loop

```
names = ["Bob", "Steve", "Helen"]
for name in names:
    print(name)
```

Bob Steve Helen

Press any key to continue ...

Iterating through a List - while loop

```
names = ["Bob", "Steve", "Helen"]
i=0  # used as index
while(i < len(names) ):
    print(names[i])
    i += 1</pre>
```

Bob Steve Helen

Press any key to continue ...

String is a list of characters

```
greeting = "Hello"
for x in greeting:
    print(x)
```

```
H
e
I
O
Press any key to continue...
```

```
greeting = "Hello"
i=0  # used as index
while(i < len(greeting)):
    print(greeting[i])
    i += 1</pre>
```

Appending elements at the end

```
numbers = [1,3,5,7,9]
numbers.append(88) [1,3,5,7,9,88]
```

```
You can start with an empty List:

nos = []
nos.append(10)
nos.append(20)
nos.append(30)

[10, 20, 30]
```

The append method is used most of the time but you may also use the insert() method to add an element at any position.

For example:

nos = [1,2,3] nos.insert(1,99) print(nos)

Will display [1, 99, 2, 3]

Removing elements

```
numbers = [1,3,5,7,5,9,5]
numbers.remove(5)
del(numbers[0])

[1,3,7,5,9,5]

names = ['Bob', 'Steve', 'Helen']
names.remove("Steve")

['Bob', 'Helen']

Works with any kind of
List

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```

Checking for existence

Use the in command to check if an item is present in a List.

```
adminIDs = [12,33,84,45,67,36,16,66,67,99]
id = int(input('Enter your ID '))
if id in adminIDs:
    print('Welcome!')

names = ['David','John','Joanne','Sean','Sonia']
if 'Sean' in names:
    print('Sean is in the list!')

strings

names = "David,John,Joanne,Sean,Sonia"
if 'John' in names:
    print('John is in the list!')

List of characters
    print('John is in the list!')
```

Sorting List elements

• Use the sort() function to sort elements

```
ages = [12,33,84,45,67,36,16]

ages.sort()
print(ages)

[12,16,33,36,45,67,84]

ages = [12,33,84,45,67,36,16]

ages.sort(reverse=True)
print(ages)

[84,67,45,36,33,16,12]
```

The string.split() function

• Used for splitting and extracting elements from a string using a delimiter.

```
data = 'Bob,Steve,Helen'
names = data.split(',')
print(names)

['Bob', 'Steve', 'Helen']

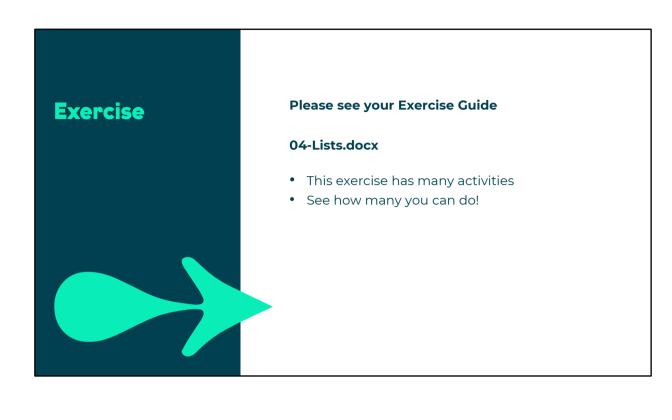
data='18/OCT/2020'
parts = data.split('/')
print(parts)

['18', 'OCT', '2020']
```

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Further Reading

- https://www.python.org/
- https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/#a-foolish-consistency-is-the-hobgoblin-of-little-minds

