# Python Statements

*Table 10-1. Python statements*

| Statement | Role | Example |
|---|---|---|
| Assignment | Creating references | `a, b = 'good', 'bad'` |
| Calls and other expressions | Running functions | `log.write("spam, ham")` |
| `print` calls | Printing objects | `print('The Killer', joke)` |
| `if/elif/else` | Selecting actions | `if "python" in text:`<br>`  print(text)` |
| `for/else` | Iteration | `for x in mylist:`<br>`  print(x)` |
| `while/else` | General loops | `while X > Y:`<br>`  print('hello')` |
| `pass` | Empty placeholder | `while True:`<br>`  pass` |
| `break` | Loop exit | `while True:`<br>`  if exittest(): break` |
| `continue` | Loop continue | `while True:`<br>`  if skiptest(): continue` |
| `def` | Functions and methods | `def f(a, b, c=1, *d):`<br>`  print(a+b+c+d[0])` |
| `return` | Functions results | `def f(a, b, c=1, *d):`<br>`  return a+b+c+d[0]` |
| `yield` | Generator functions | `def gen(n):`<br>`  for i in n: yield i*2` |
| `global` | Namespaces | `x = 'old'`<br>`def function():`<br>`  global x, y; x = 'new'` |
| `nonlocal` | Namespaces (3.X) | `def outer():`<br>`  x = 'old'`<br>`  def function():`<br>`  nonlocal x; x = 'new'` |
| `import` | Module access | `import sys` |
| `from` | Attribute access | `from sys import stdin` |
| `class` | Building objects | `class Subclass(Superclass):`<br>`  staticData = []`<br>`  def method(self): pass` |
| `try/except/ finally` | Catching exceptions | `try:`<br>`  action()`<br>`except:`<br>`  print('action error')` |
| `raise` | Triggering exceptions | `raise EndSearch(location)` |
| `assert` | Debugging checks | `assert X > Y, 'X too small'` |
| `with/as` | Context managers (3.X, 2.6+) | `with open('data') as myfile:`<br>`  process(myfile)` |
| `del` | Deleting references | `del data[k]`<br>`del data[i:j]`<br>`del obj.attr`<br>`del variable` |

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# Combined Assignment Operators

Examples: **a = 5 & b= 2**

| Assignment operator | Name | Example | Meaning | Result |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| = | Simple assignment | a = b | Set a as b | 2 |
| += | Add AND | a += b | a = a +b | 7 |
| -= | Subtract AND | a -= b | a= a- b | 3 |
| *= | Multiply AND | a *= b | a = a * b | 10 |
| /= | Divide AND | a /= b | a = a /b | 2 |
| %= | Modulus AND | a % = b | a = a % b | 1 |
| **= | Exponent AND | a ** = b | a = a ** b | 25 |



# Multiple Assignments & Statements

- The following “multiple assignments” are possible

```
>>> a = b = c = 0
>>> a1, b1, c1 = 1, 1.0, 'c1'
>>> (a2, b2, c2) = 2, 2.0, 'c2'
>>> print a,b,c,a1,b1,c1,a2,b2,c2
0 0 0 1 1.0 c1 2 2.0 c2
```

- Multiple statements on one line

```
>>> a3 = 3; b3 = 3.0 ; c3 = 'c3'
```