Python Notes - Introduction to Python programming- Notes

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Introduction to Python Programming

1. Python Environment Setup

Python is an interpreted, high-level programming language. To run Python programs:

- Install Python (latest version recommended).
- Use IDEs like PyCharm, VS Code, or Jupyter Notebook for interactive coding.
- Run code in terminal with: python filename.py.

In Jupyter, you can run code cell-by-cell interactively.

2. Identifiers

- Identifiers are names used to identify variables, functions, classes, etc.
- Rules:
 - Must start with a letter (a–z, A–Z) or underscore (_).
 - Followed by letters, digits (0–9), or underscore.
 - Cannot be a reserved word.

```
# Example of valid identifiers
name = "Dhananjay"
    _age = 28
rollNo123 = 101
print(name, _age, rollNo123)
```

3. Reserved Words

Python has reserved keywords that cannot be used as identifiers.

```
import keyword
print(keyword.kwlist) # List of all Python reserved words
```

4. Lines and Indentation

- Python uses **indentation** instead of {} braces.
- Default indentation: 4 spaces.

```
if True:
    print("This is indented properly")

X Wrong:
if True:
print("This will cause IndentationError")
```

5. Multi-line Statements

```
• Use \ for line continuation.
```

• Use parentheses (), brackets [], braces {} to break lines naturally.

```
x = 10 + 20 + 30 + 

40 + 50

nums = [1, 2, 3,

4, 5, 6]

print(x, nums)
```

6. Comments

```
• Single-line comment: starts with #

• Multi-line comment: use triple quotes ''' or """

# This is a single-line comment

This is a multi-line comment
```

7. Quotation

```
• Strings can be defined using ', ", or '''.

$1 = 'Hello'
$2 = "World"
$3 = '''This is
multi-line string'''
print($1, $2, $3)
```

8. Input / Output

```
    Input: input() always returns string.
    Output: print().
    name = input("Enter your name: ")
age = int(input("Enter your age: "))
print("Hello", name, "You are", age, "years old")
```

9. Output Formatting

```
    Using % formatting
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- Using format() method
- Using f-strings (Python 3.6+)

```
num = 123
text = "Python"

print("Number is %d" % num)
print("Number is {}".format(num))
print(f"Number is {num} and text is {text}")
```

10. Variables

a) Simple Variables

```
x = 10
y = "Hello"
print(x, y)
```

b) Assigning Multiple Values

```
a, b, c = 1, 2, 3
print(a, b, c)
```

c) One Value to Multiple Variables

```
x = y = z = 100
print(x, y, z)
```

d) Output Variables

```
name = "Dhananjay"
print("My name is " + name)
```

e) Global and Local Variables

```
x = "Global Variable"

def myFunc():
    x = "Local Variable"
    print("Inside function:", x)

myFunc()
print("Outside function:", x)
```

Practice Questions with Solutions

Q1. Write a Python program to input two numbers and print their sum.

```
a = int(input("Enter first number: "))
b = int(input("Enter second number: "))
print("Sum is:", a+b)
```

Q2. Show an example of multiple assignments.

```
x, y, z = 5, 10, 15
print("Values:", x, y, z)
```

Q3. Demonstrate difference between local and global variable.

```
x = "Global"

def test():
    x = "Local"
    print("Inside function:", x)

test()
print("Outside function:", x)
```

Q4. Write a program to format output using f-strings.

```
name = input("Enter name: ")
age = int(input("Enter age: "))
print(f"Hello {name}, you are {age} years old")
```

Q5. Write a program to show usage of comments, indentation, and multi-line statement.

Student Practice Exercises

- 1. Write a program to input your name and print it in upper and lower case.
- 2. Assign one value to 3 variables and print them.
- 3. Print the list of all Python reserved words.
- 4. Show difference between single quotes, double quotes, and triple quotes.
- 5. Take user input for 3 numbers and print their average.
- 6. Write a program to check indentation error by removing spaces.
- 7. Create a global variable and modify it inside a function using global keyword.
- 8. Print numbers in formatted style: Number: 005 (using formatting).
- 9. Show example of concatenating string with integer using $\mbox{str}(\mbox{)}$ conversion.
- 10. Write a program to demonstrate multi-line comments.

Summary

• Python uses indentation instead of braces.

- Identifiers follow naming rules, keywords are reserved.
- input() for taking user input, print() for output.
- Strings can be enclosed in single, double, or triple quotes.
- Variables can be global or local, multiple assignment is supported.
- Output formatting can be done with %, format(), or f-strings.

Student Practice Exercises with Solutions

1. Write a program to input your name and print it in upper and lower case.

```
name = input("Enter your name: ")
print("Uppercase:", name.upper())
print("Lowercase:", name.lower())
```

2. Assign one value to 3 variables and print them.

```
x = y = z = 50
print(x, y, z)
```

3. Print the list of all Python reserved words.

```
import keyword
print(keyword.kwlist)
```

4. Show difference between single quotes, double quotes, and triple quotes.

```
s1 = 'Hello'
s2 = "World"
s3 = '''This is a
multi-line string'''
print(s1)
print(s2)
print(s3)
```

5. Take user input for 3 numbers and print their average.

```
a = float(input("Enter first number: "))
b = float(input("Enter second number: "))
c = float(input("Enter third number: "))
average = (a + b + c) / 3
print("Average is:", average)
```

6. Write a program to check indentation error by removing spaces.

```
× Wrong (this will cause error):
```

```
# if True:
# print("No indentation")

    Correct:

if True:
    print("Proper indentation")
```

7. Create a global variable and modify it inside a function using global keyword.

```
x = 10

def change():
    global x
    x = 20
    print("Inside function, x =", x)

change()
print("Outside function, x =", x)
```

8. Print numbers in formatted style: Number: 005 (using formatting).

```
num = 5
print("Number: %03d" % num) # using % formatting
print("Number: {:03d}".format(num)) # using format()
```

9. Show example of concatenating string with integer using str() conversion.

```
age = 25
print("I am " + str(age) + " years old")
```

10. Write a program to demonstrate multi-line comments.

```
This is a multi-line comment.
It can be used to explain code in detail.
It will not be executed by Python.

""

print("Program executed with multi-line comments!")
```

MCQs on Python Basics (Jupyter Notebook Format)

Below are 40 multiple-choice questions (MCQs) with answers and explanations based on the introduction topics.

Q1. Which of the following is a valid identifier in Python?

```
A) 1name
```

B) _value

C) for

D) name@123

```
# Correct Answer: B) _value
# Explanation: Identifiers cannot start with digits, cannot use reserved words, and cannot contain
special characters.
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Q2. Which of the following is NOT a Python reserved keyword?

```
A) while
```

B) global

C) function

D) pass

```
# Correct Answer: C) function
# Explanation: 'function' is not a reserved keyword; 'def' is used for defining functions.
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Q3. How does Python indicate a block of code?

```
A) Curly braces {}
B) Parentheses ()
C) Indentation
D) Semicolon ;
# Correct Answer: C) Indentation
```

Q4. Which of these will NOT raise an error?

```
A) x = 10 y = 20

B) x, y = 10, 20

C) x = y = 30

D) a, b, c = 1, 2

# Correct Answer: B and C
```

Q5. Which is used for multi-line comments in Python? A) // comment B) /* comment */ C) " comment " D) # Correct Answer: C Q6. What is the output? print("Number is %03d" % 7) A) Number is 7 B) Number is 007 C) Number is 0007 D) Error # Correct Answer: B Q7. What will be the output? x = "Global" def show(): x = "Local" print("Inside:", x) show() print("Outside:", x) A) Inside: Global, Outside: Global B) Inside: Local, Outside: Global C) Inside: Local, Outside: Local D) Error # Correct Answer: B Q8. What is the data type of input()? A) int B) float C) str D) depends on input # Correct Answer: C Q9. Which is correct f-string usage? A) print("Value of $x = \{x\}$ ") B) print(f"Value of $x = \{x\}$ ") C) print("f Value of $x = \{x\}$ ") D) print(f'Value of x = x') # Correct Answer: B

Q10. Which statement is correct about Python?

```
A) Ignores indentation
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- B) Case-insensitive
- C) Variables are created when assigned
- D) Requires type declaration
- # Correct Answer: C

Q11. Which is a valid multi-line string?

```
B) s = "Hello
C) s = "Hello World"
D) s = (Hello)
# Correct Answer: C
Q12. What is the output?
x = 5
print("Value:", x)
A) Error
B) Value: x
C) Value: 5
D) None
# Correct Answer: C
Q13. What will this print?
print(type(input("Enter something: ")))
A) <class 'int'>
B) <class 'str'>
C) depends
D) Error
# Correct Answer: B
Q14. Which is invalid assignment?
A) x, y = 1, 2
B) a = b = c = 10
C) 1x = 5
D) name = "John"
# Correct Answer: C
Q15. Which symbol is used for single-line comments?
A) //
B)#
C) <!--
D);
# Correct Answer: B
Q16. Which output formatting method is newest in Python?
A) % formatting
B) format()
C) f-strings
D) None
# Correct Answer: C
Q17. What is the result?
x, y = 5, 10
print(x, y)
A) 5 10
B) (5, 10)
C) Error
D) 10 5
```

Correct Answer: A

Q18. Which is invalid identifier? A) name1 B) _abc C) while D) roll_no # Correct Answer: C Q19. Which prints 007? A) print("%03d" % 7) B) print("{:03d}".format(7)) C) print(f"{7:03d}") D) All of the above # Correct Answer: D Q20. Which is correct? print("x = " + x)A) Prints x = 5B) Error C) Prints x = xD) None # Correct Answer: B # Need str(x) for concatenation Q21. Which keyword is used to define a function? A) function B) def C) fun D) define # Correct Answer: B Q22. What is the output? x = 100y = 200print(x, end=" ") print(y) A) 100200 B) 100 200 C) Error D) None # Correct Answer: B Q23. What does keyword.kwlist return? A) List of identifiers B) List of keywords C) List of variables D) None # Correct Answer: B Q24. Which is correct for taking integer input? A) x = input()B) x = int(input())C) x = str(input())

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D) Both A and B
# Correct Answer: B
Q25. Which of the following prints multi-line string?
A) print('Hello\nWorld')
B) print("Hello\nWorld")
C) print("'Hello\nWorld"')
D) All
# Correct Answer: D
Q26. Which is correct output?
x = "10"
y = 20
print(x + str(y))
A) 30
B) 1020
C) Error
D) None
# Correct Answer: B
Q27. Which is global variable?
x = 5
def f():
    print(x)
A) x inside function
B) x outside function
C) Both
D) None
# Correct Answer: B
Q28. Which keyword allows modifying global variable inside function?
A) global
B) local
C) public
D) static
# Correct Answer: A
Q29. What will this print?
x = 5
y = 10
x, y = y, x
print(x, y)
A) 5 10
B) 10 5
C) Error
D) None
# Correct Answer: B
Q30. Which is NOT correct string definition?
A) s = 'Hello'
B) s = "Hello"
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C) s = "Hello"

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D) s = Hello
# Correct Answer: D
Q31. Which character continues a statement in Python?
A) /
B) \
C);
D),
# Correct Answer: B
Q32. What is the result?
print("{} {}".format(10, 20))
A) 10 20
B) 20 10
C) Error
D) None
# Correct Answer: A
Q33. Which is correct way to assign multiple values?
A) a, b, c = 1, 2, 3
B) a = b = c = 1
C) a, b = 1, 2, 3
D) Both A and B
# Correct Answer: D
Q34. Which is invalid?
A) _{x} = 5
B) __y = 10
C) class = 20
D) var1 = 100
# Correct Answer: C
Q35. What is printed?
print(f"{5+5}")
A) {5+5}
B) 5+5
C) 10
D) Error
# Correct Answer: C
Q36. Which keyword defines local scope?
A) local
B) def
C) scope
D) None
# Correct Answer: B (functions create local scope)
Q37. Which function is used to display output?
A) display()
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B) echo()
C) print()

```
D) show()
# Correct Answer: C
Q38. Which of the following is NOT allowed?
A) var = 10
B) VAR = 20
C) var = Var
D) var-name = 30
# Correct Answer: D (hyphen not allowed)
Q39. What is the default value of an uninitialized variable?
A) 0
B) None
C) Error
D) Undefined
# Correct Answer: C (variable must be assigned before use)
Q40. Which prints the average of 3 numbers correctly?
A) avg = a+b+c/3
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B) avg = (a+b+c)/3

C) avg = (a+b)/c/3

D) avg = a+b+c//3

Correct Answer: B