Python for Beginners

Part 2

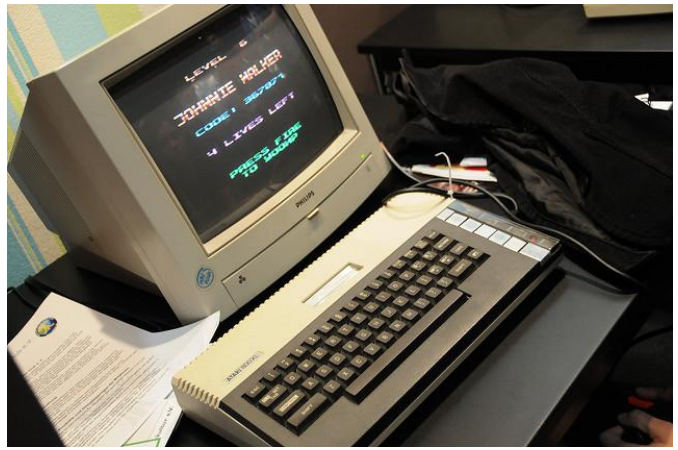
What We Learned in Part 1

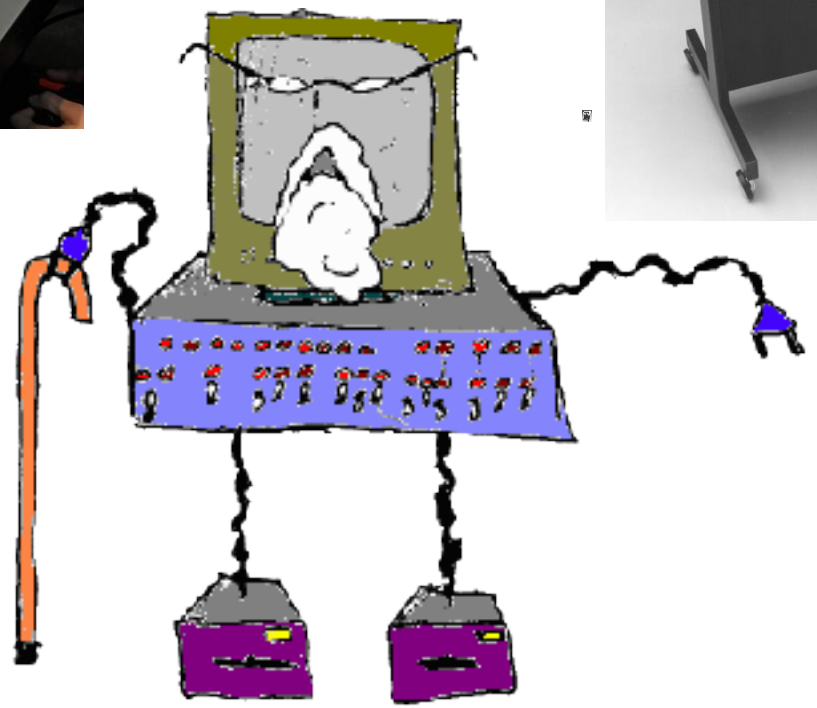
* Python is a great beginner language.
* Idle - Integrated DeveLopment Environment
* Idle has two modes:
  1. Interactive Mode :
     >>> on the screen
     responds immediately to commands
  2. Script Mode :
     Use *File->New File* to write a program
* We learned Two functions :
  * print() : prints out a string
  * input() : asks for input and waits for user to type the Enter key
* We learned how to add comments
  * # this is a human readable comment that Python ignores

What We Are Learning in Part 2

* Escape Sequences or How to print the unprintable!
* Triple Quoted Strings
* Fun With ASCII Art
* Variables
    - Strings
    - Integers
    - Floating Point Numbers
* Printing & Formatting Numbers
* Your Favorite Subject – MATH!

Printing In The Good Ol' Days



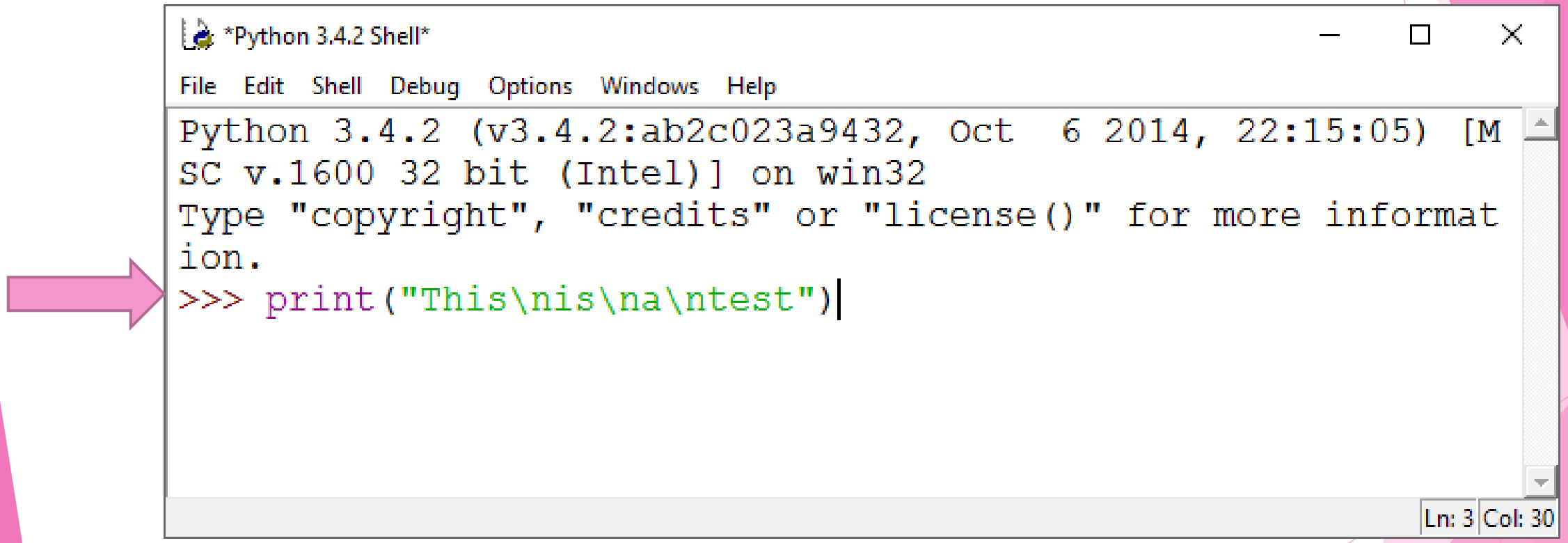


Basic Escape Sequences

\n	Prints on the next line.
\t	Prints a tab.
\a	Makes a bell sound. (depends on the device)

Let's Try This in the Python Shell

Instead of spaces use \n.

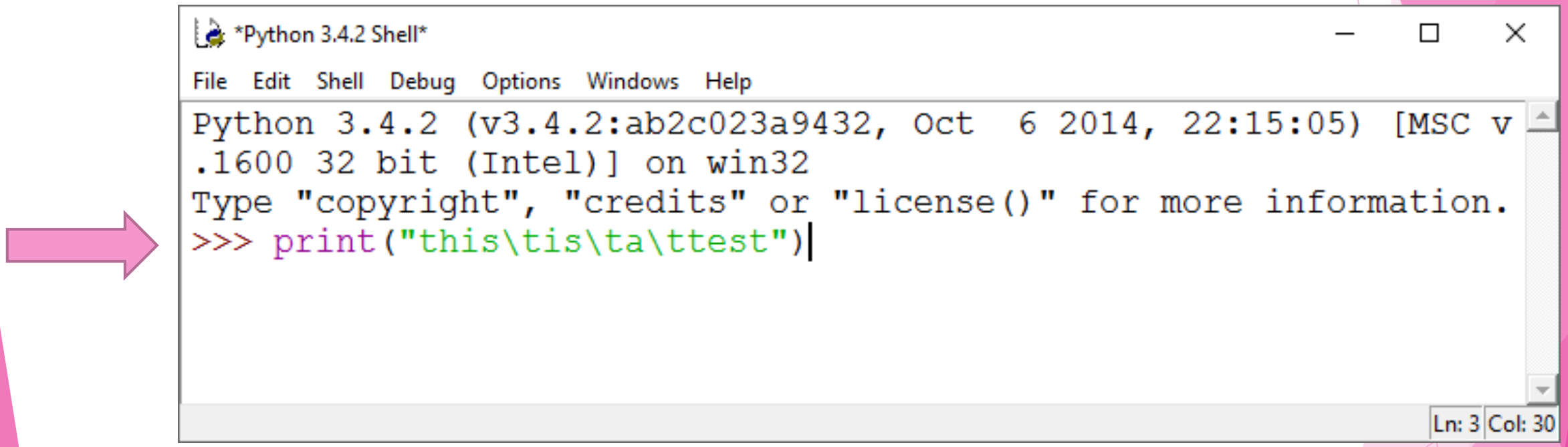


Escape Sequences \n

```
>>> print("This\nis\na\ntest")
This
is
a
test
```

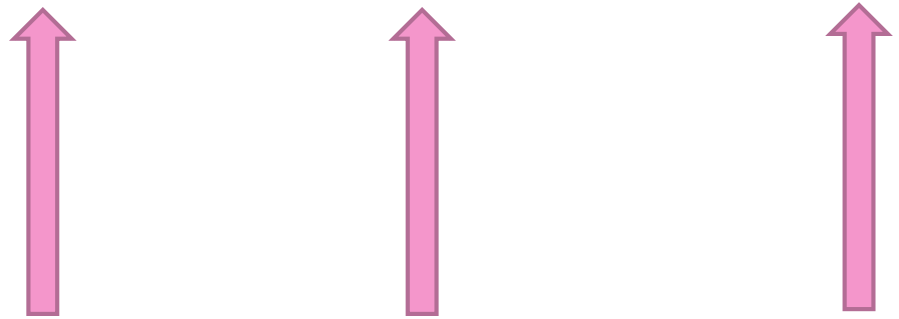
Let's Try This in the Python Shell

Instead of spaces use \t.



Escape Sequences \t

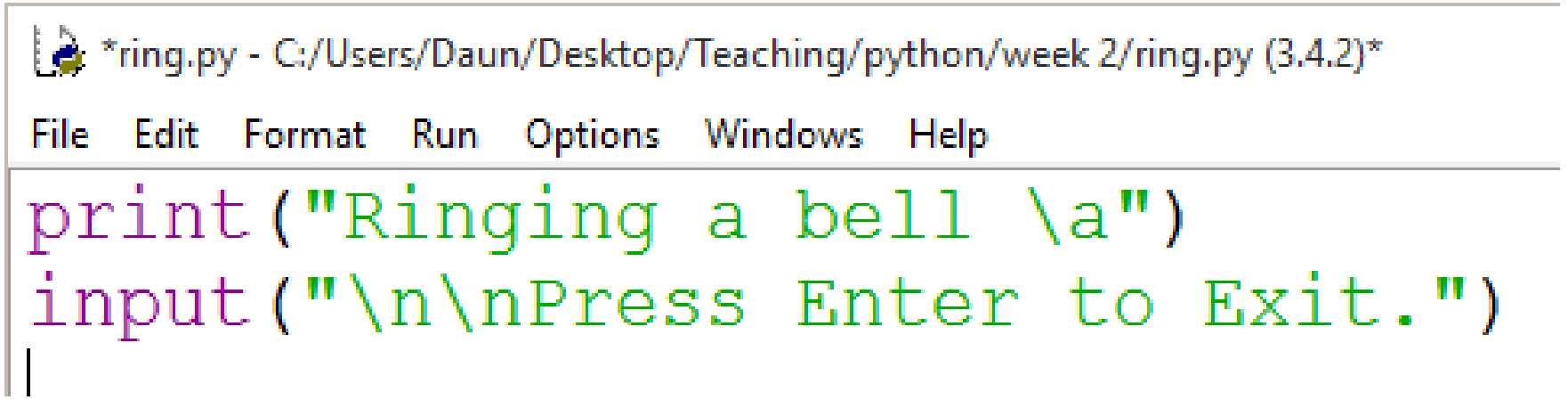
```
>>> print("This\tis\ta\ttest")
This    is      a       test
```



tabs

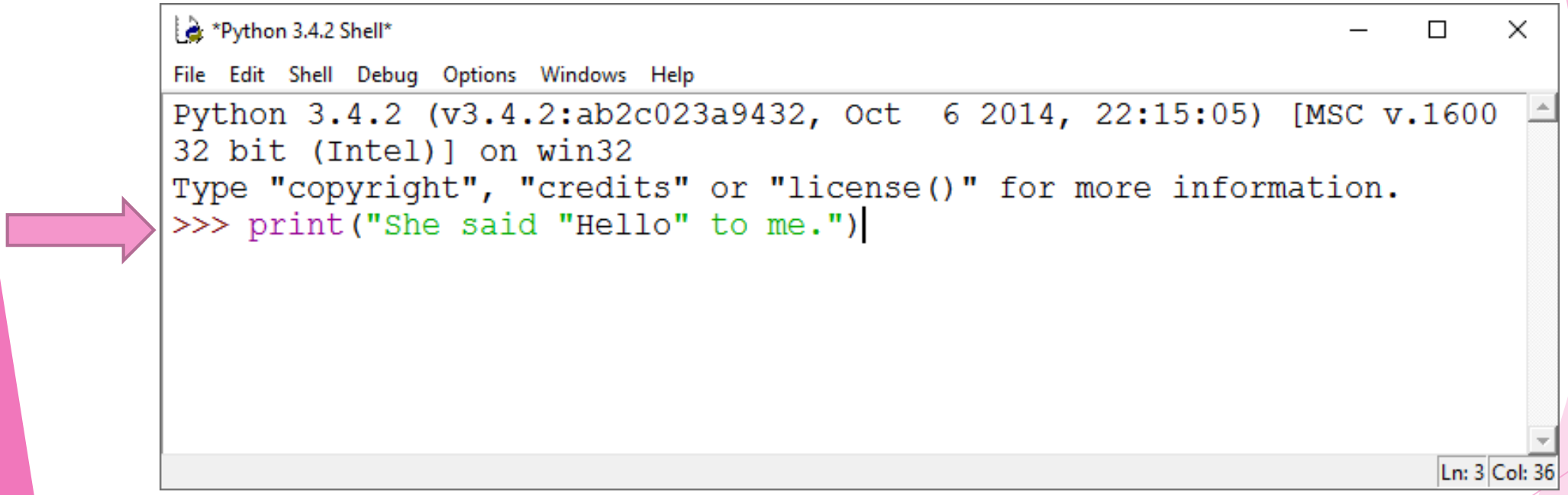
Escape Sequences \a

Type these statements in a script file & save.
Run from Windows folder by double clicking.



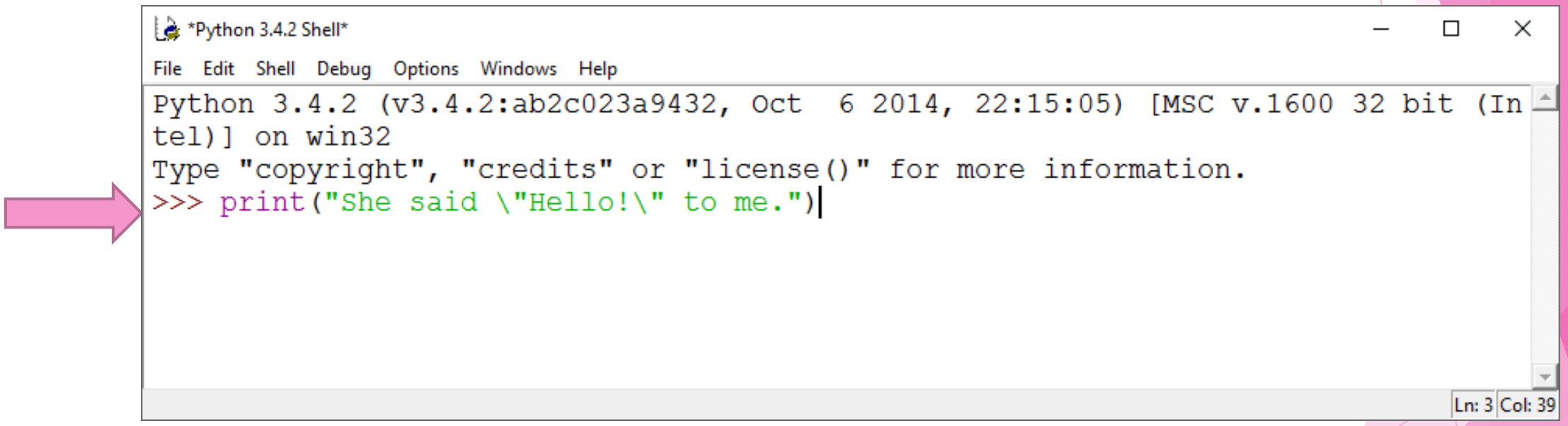
If we use double quotes to indicate a string, then how do we print a quote?

Try This in the Shell… What Happens?



Printing a Quote \”

Try it this way instead!



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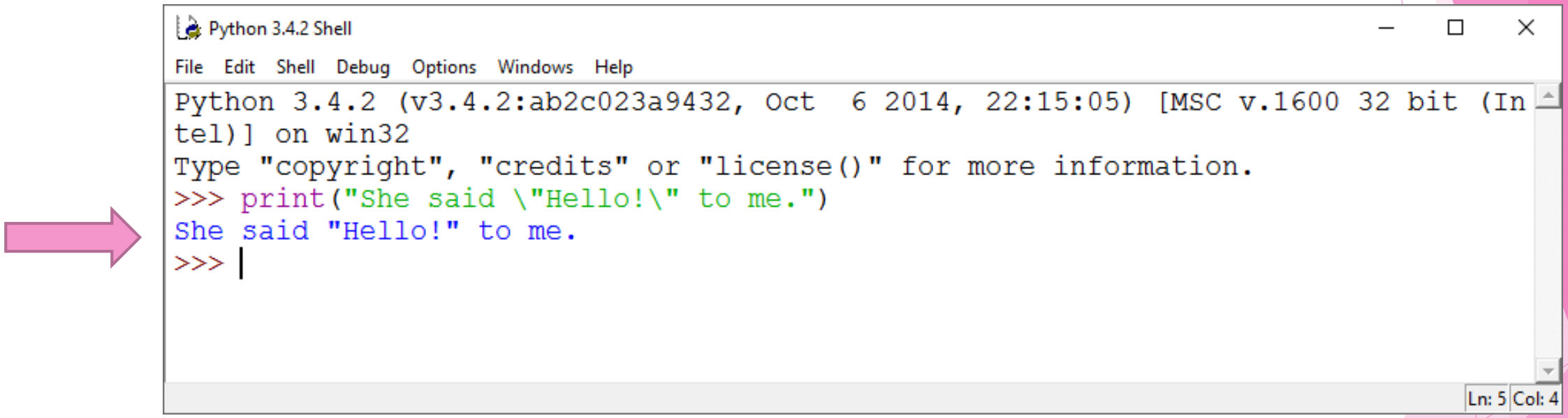
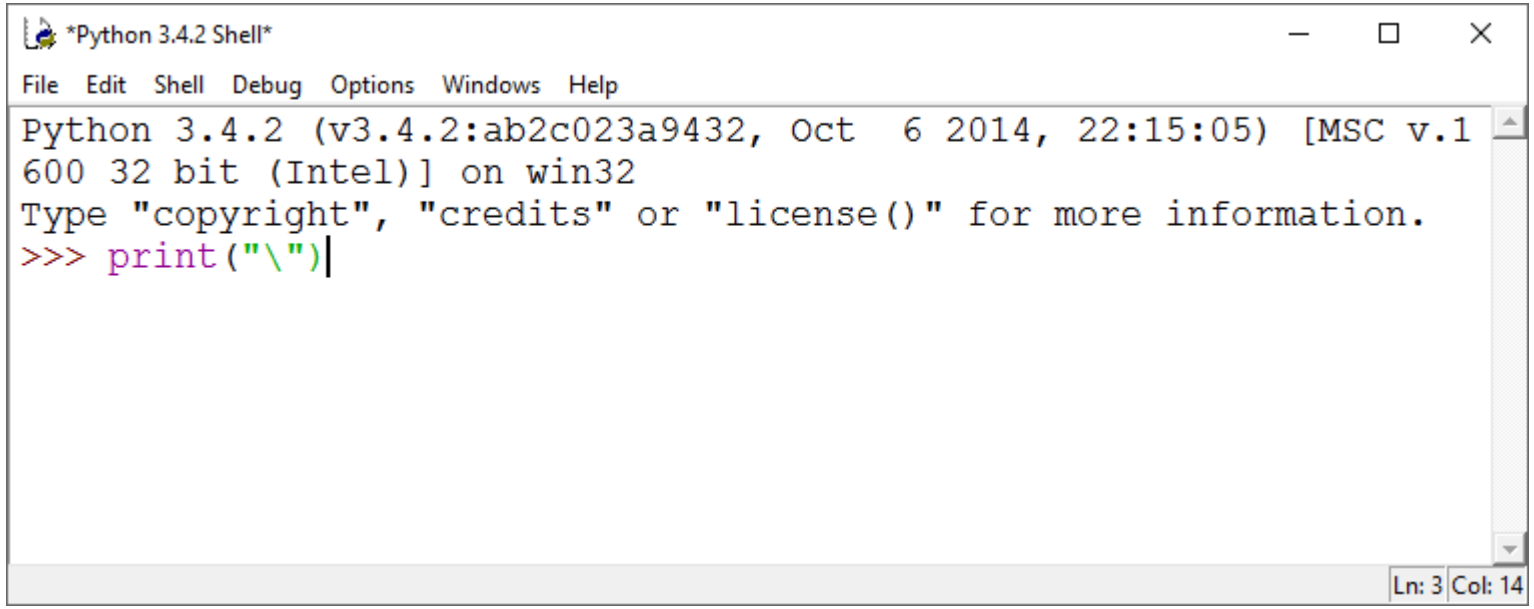


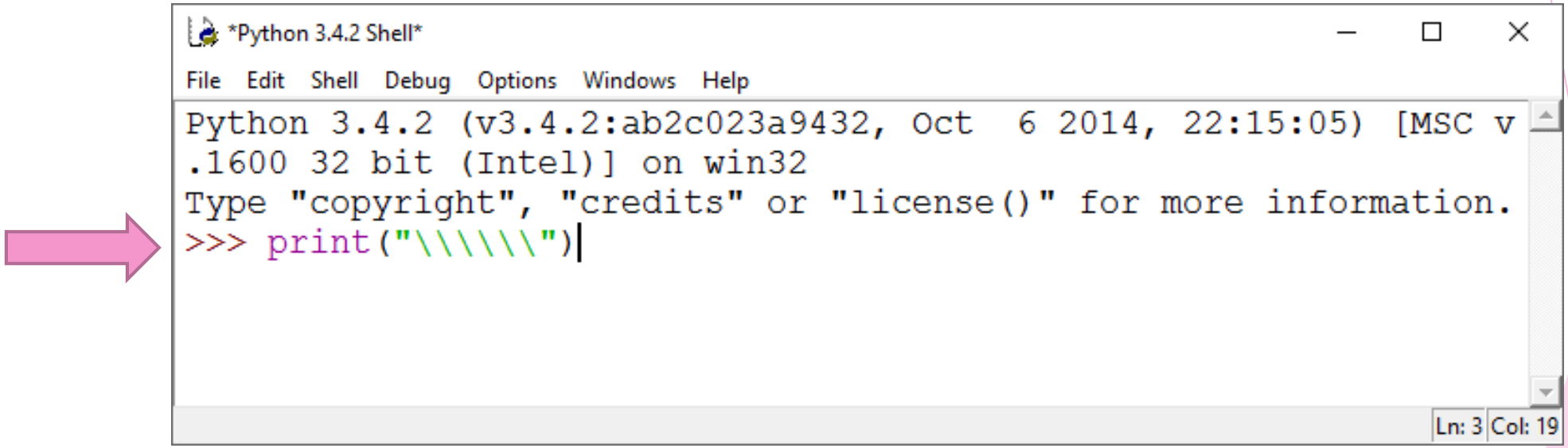
If we use back slashes to indicate an escape sequence, then how do we print a backslash?

Type a print statement with only one(1) backslash in the string argument. What happens?



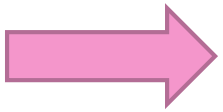
Printing a Backslash \\

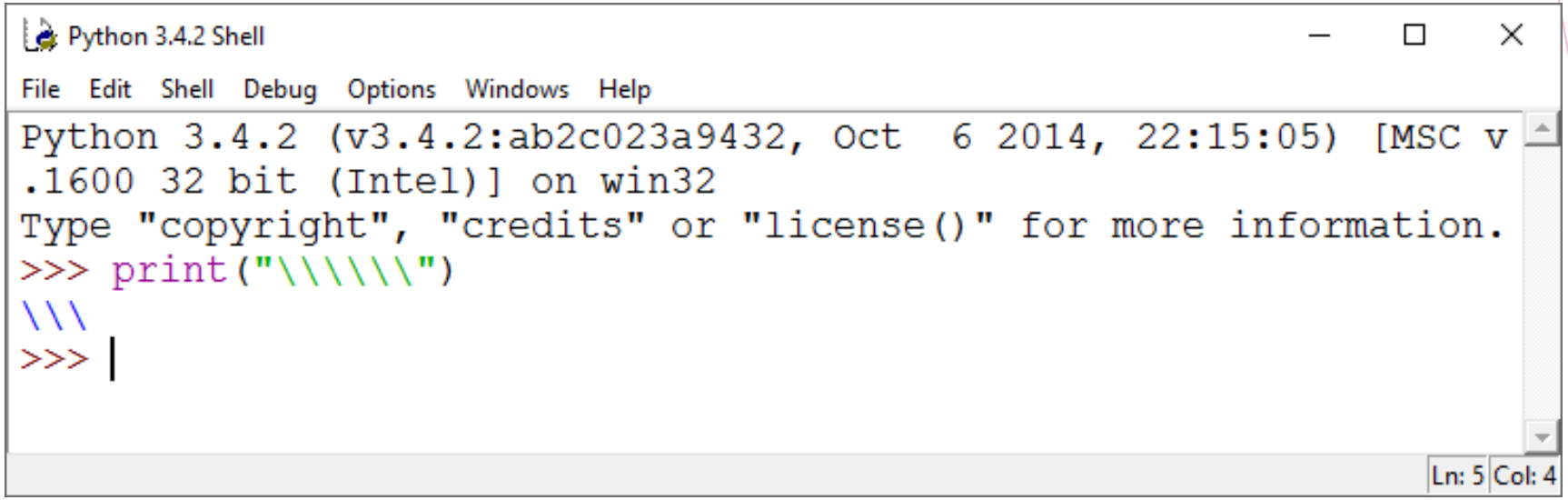
Type a print statement with 6 backslashes in the string argument.



How many backslashes actually print?

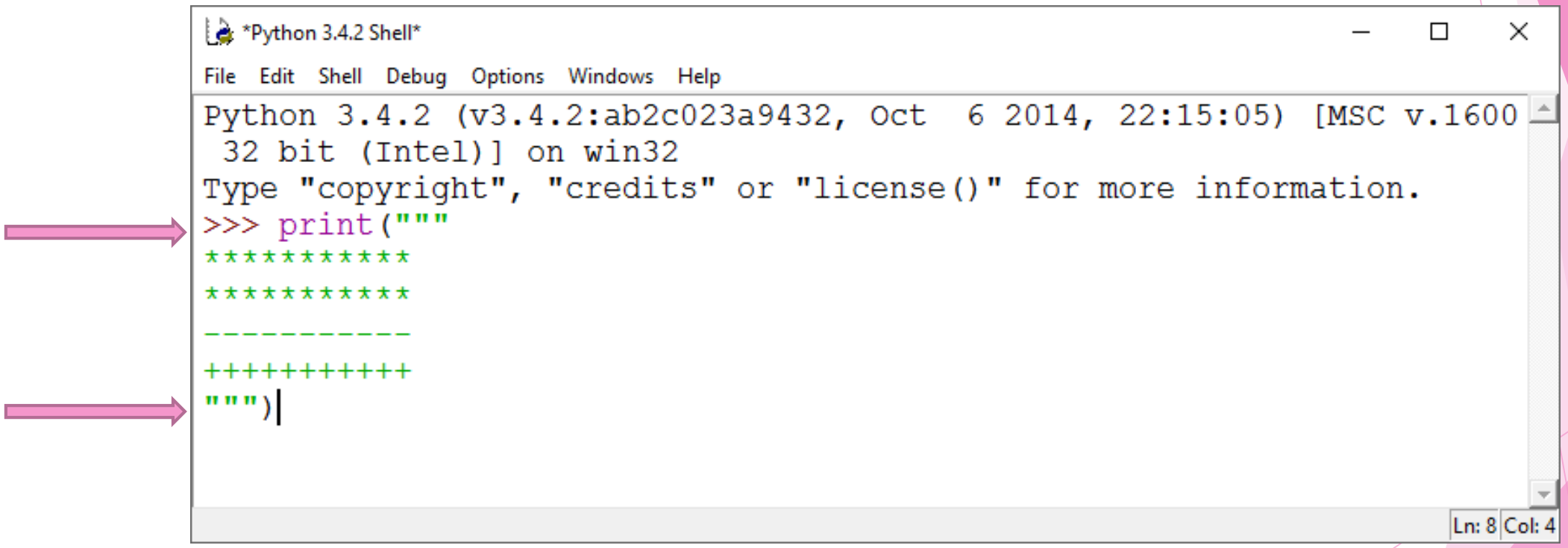
Printing a Backslash \\





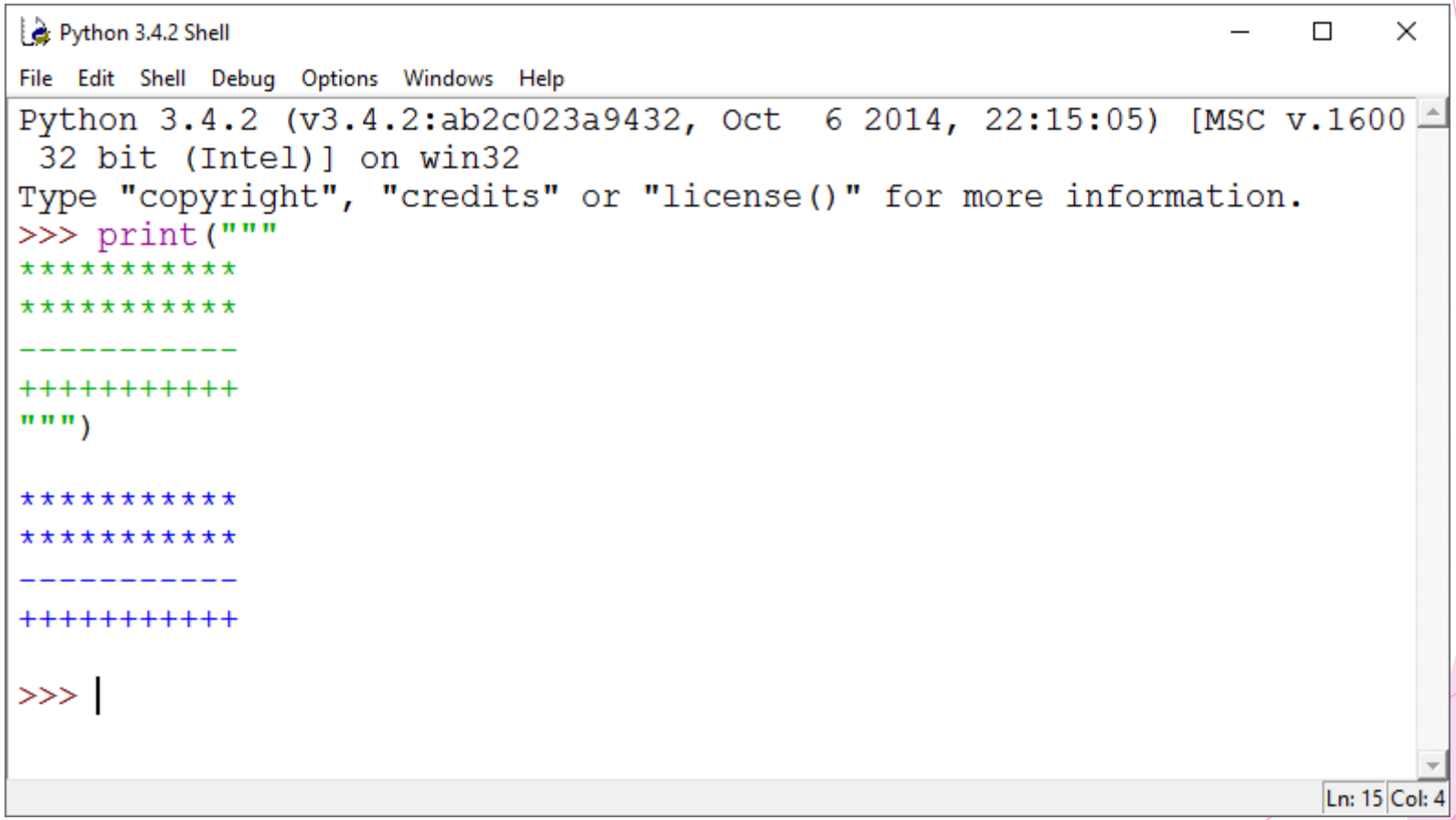
Triple Quoted Strings

Type this …
There are 3 quotes at the beginning and end.
There are 11 of each character.

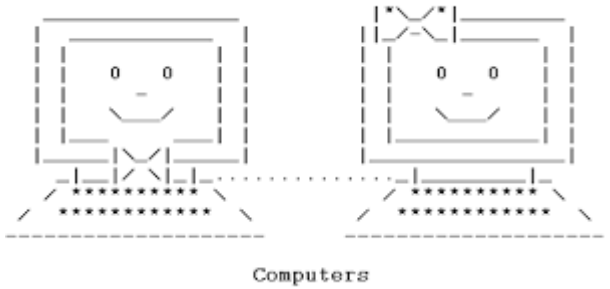


Triple Quoted String

Prints exactly what is between the triple quotes.. even line feeds

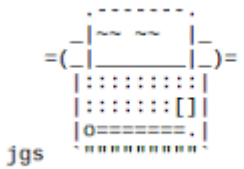


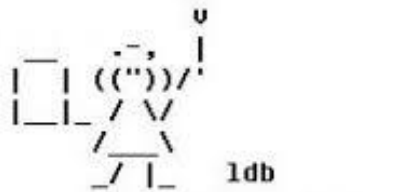
Fun With ASCII Art



Computers

ASCII art is a graphic design technique that uses computers for presentation and consists of pictures pieced together from the 95 printable (from a total of 128) characters defined by the ASCII Standard



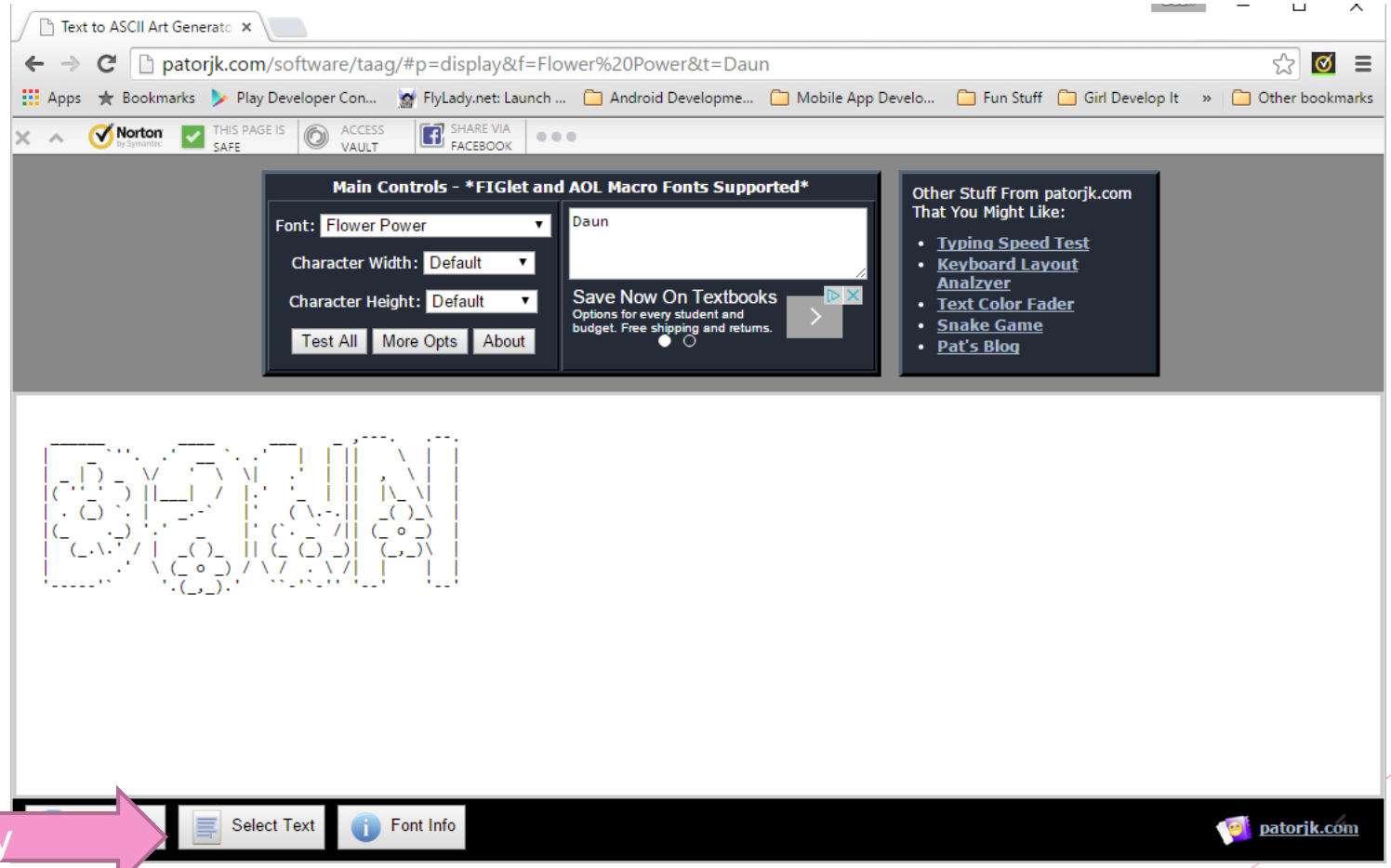


I am a great ASCII artist...
Why are you laughing...?

ASCII Art Website (patorjk.com/software)

Select this

- Text ASCII Art Generator – A web app that lets you type in large ASCII Art text lettering. This can create art you can put in your email signature, on your webpage, etc etc.



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Working Break Time

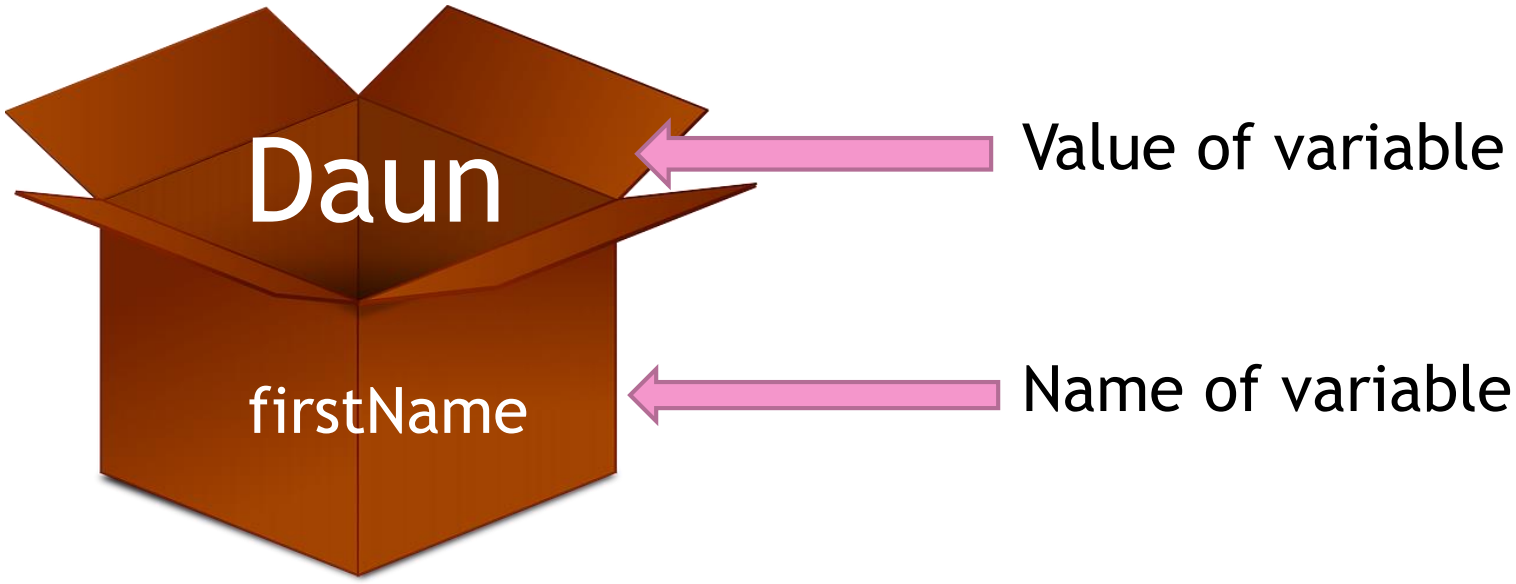
Use the ASCII Art Generator to create art from your name.
Write a Python Program using triple-quoted strings to prints out your ASCII Art.
(Optional) Have your program ding a bell when printing your name.

Some Functions Return Values

We can “capture” these values and store them in the computer’s memory.

We store them by assigning the values to what is called a VARIABLE

Variables



This variable holds a **string**

firstName = “Daun”

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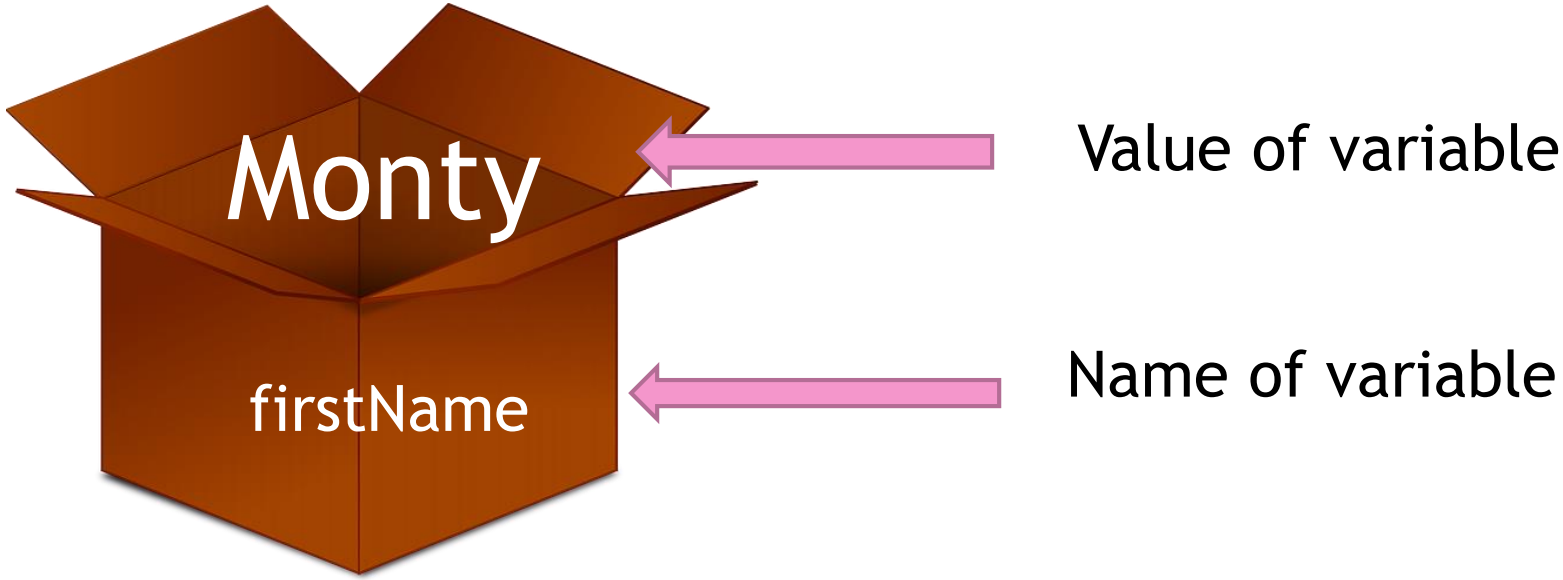
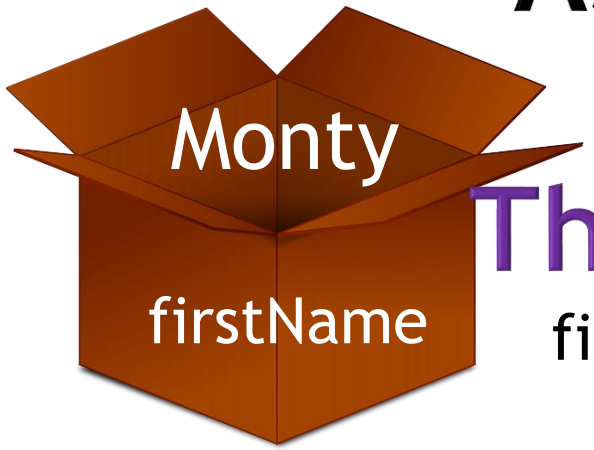


This variable holds a **string**

firstName = “Monty”

Assign variables with =



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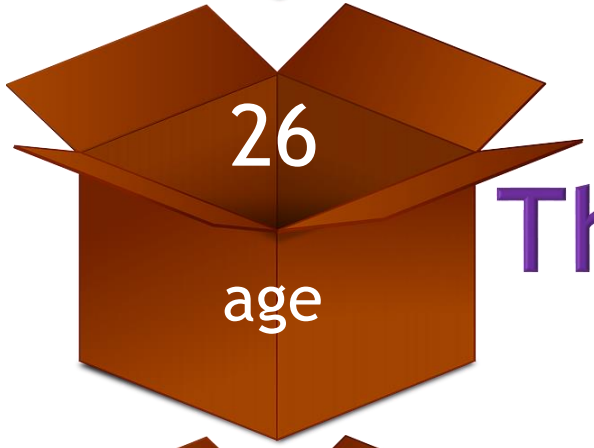
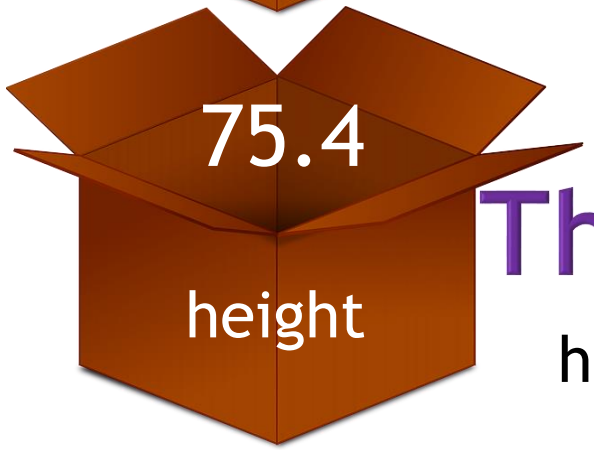


This variable holds an **int**

age = 26



This variable holds a **float**

height = 75.4

What type of variable does input() return?

firstName = input(“Please enter your first name”)

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A String

How do we get an integer from input()?

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int()

```
age = int(input("Please enter your age :"))
```

A function inside a function TRICKY! … Try it!

How do we get an float from input()?

How do we get an float from input()?

float()

```
height = float(input("Please enter your height :"))
```

How do we print 2 decimal places?

format(number, ".2f")

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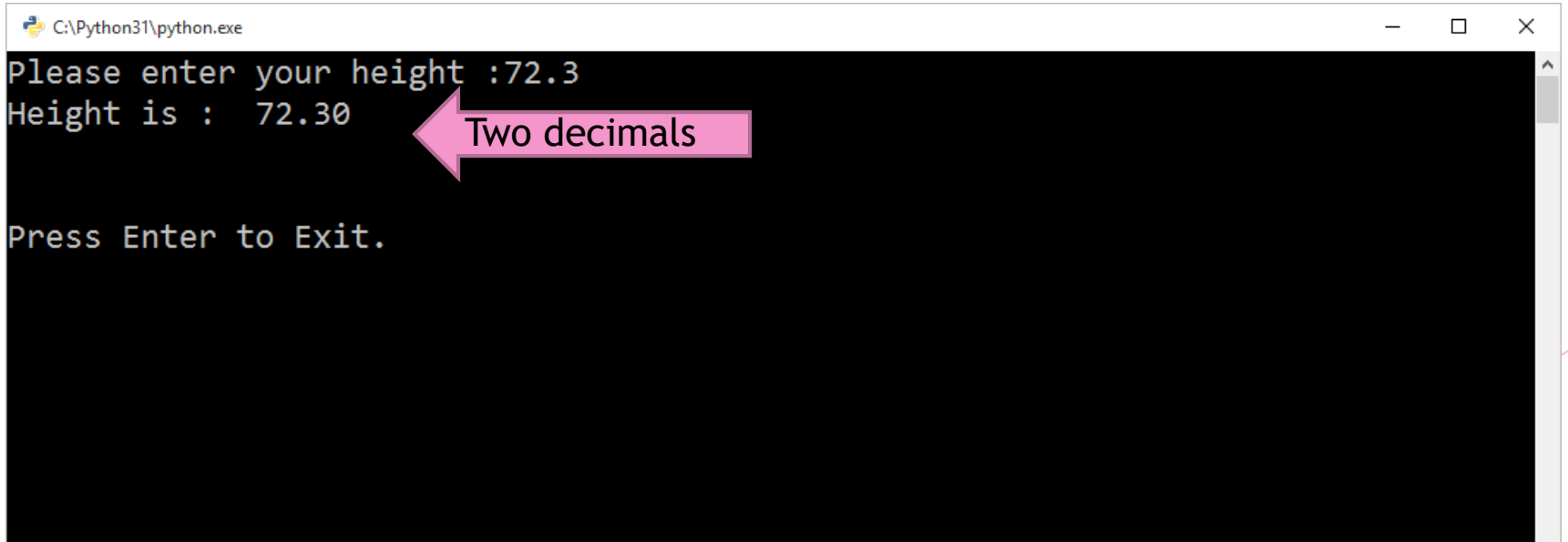
```
height = float(input("Please enter your height :"))
print("Height is : ", format(height, ".2f"))
input("\n\nPress Enter to Exit.")
```



Math

= Assigns a value

+ Add

- Subtract

* Multiply

/ Divide

Math

```
twoYearsOlder = yourAge + 2

oneYearYounger = yourAge - 1;

evenNumber = number * 2

halfAge = yourAge / 2
```

Repeating Strings By Using *

```
>>> print("=+" * 20)
=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+=+
>>> print("Hi!\n" *6)
Hi!
Hi!
Hi!
Hi!
Hi!
Hi!
```

Putting Strings Together (Concatenation)

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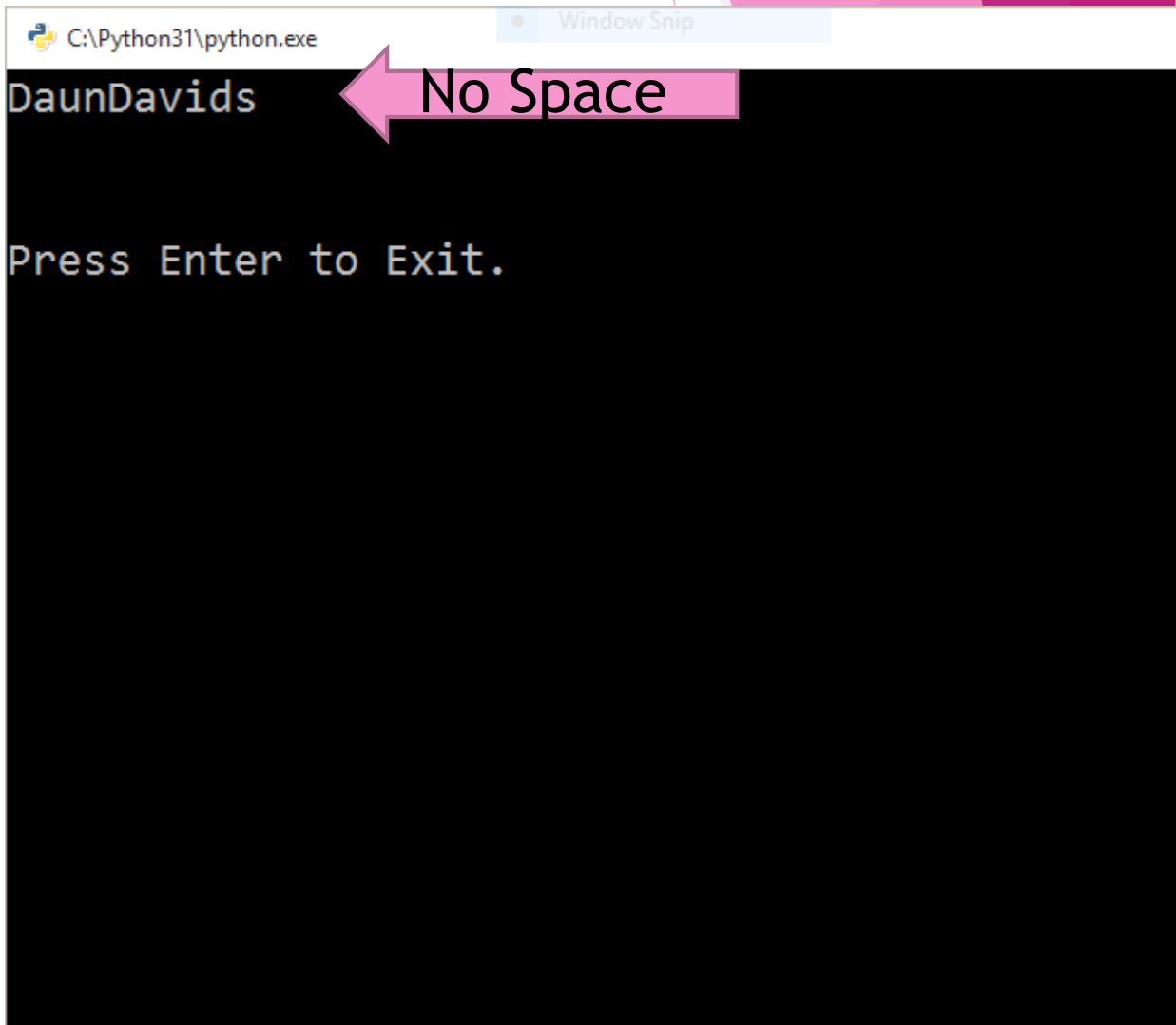
```
string1 = "Daun"
string2 = "Davids"
print(string1 + string2)
input("\n\nPress Enter to Exit.")
```

+ sign



Putting Strings Together (Concatenation)

ring.py - C:/Users/Daun/Desktop/Teaching/python/week 2/ring.py (3.4.2)

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```
string1 = "Daun"
string2 = "Davids"
print(string1,string2)
input("\n\nPress Enter to Exit.")
```

Comma

C:\Python31\python.exe

```
Daun Davids
```

Has a Space

```
Press Enter to Exit.
```

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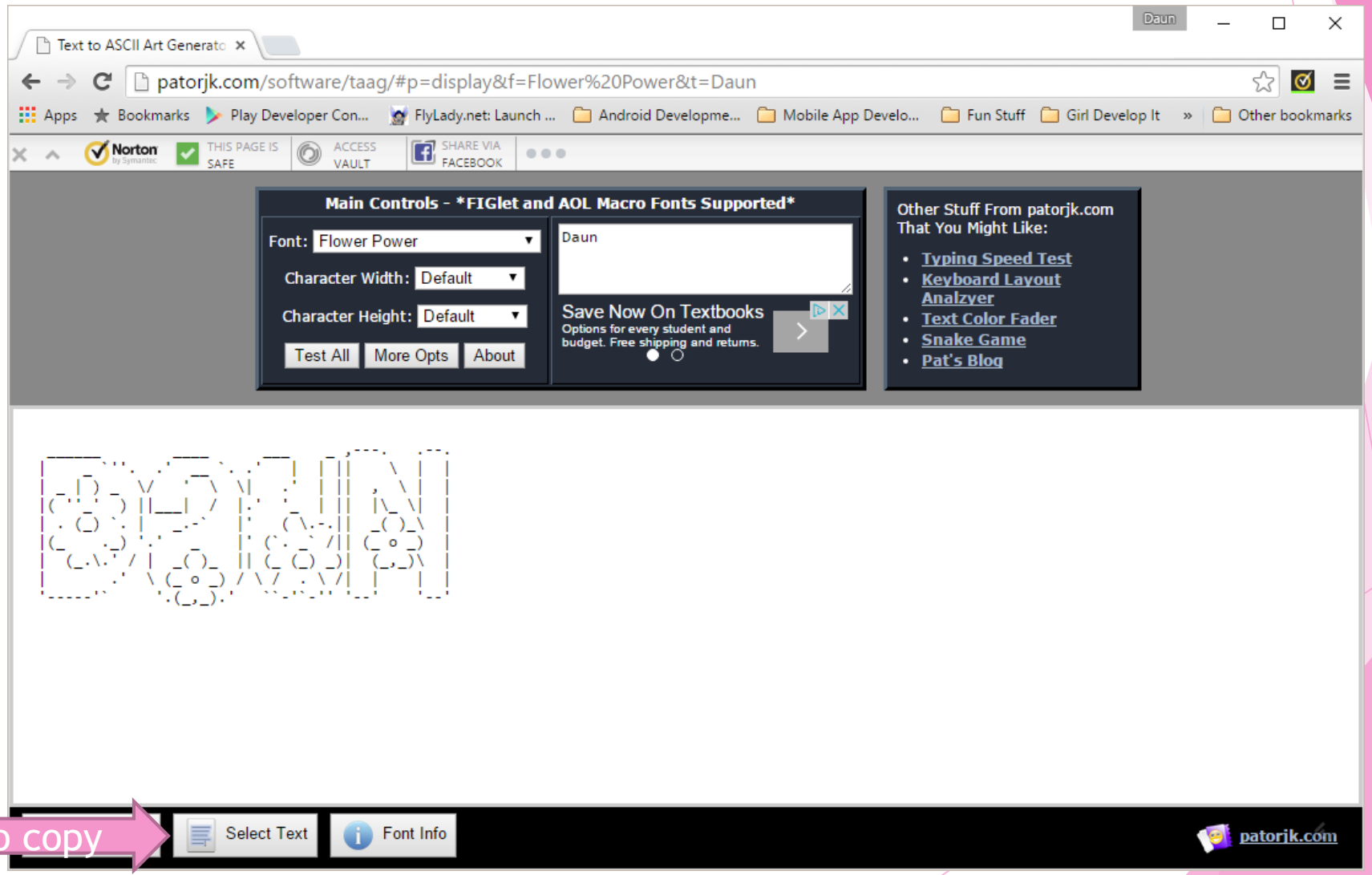

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Triple Quoted String Stored as a Variable

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```
title = """
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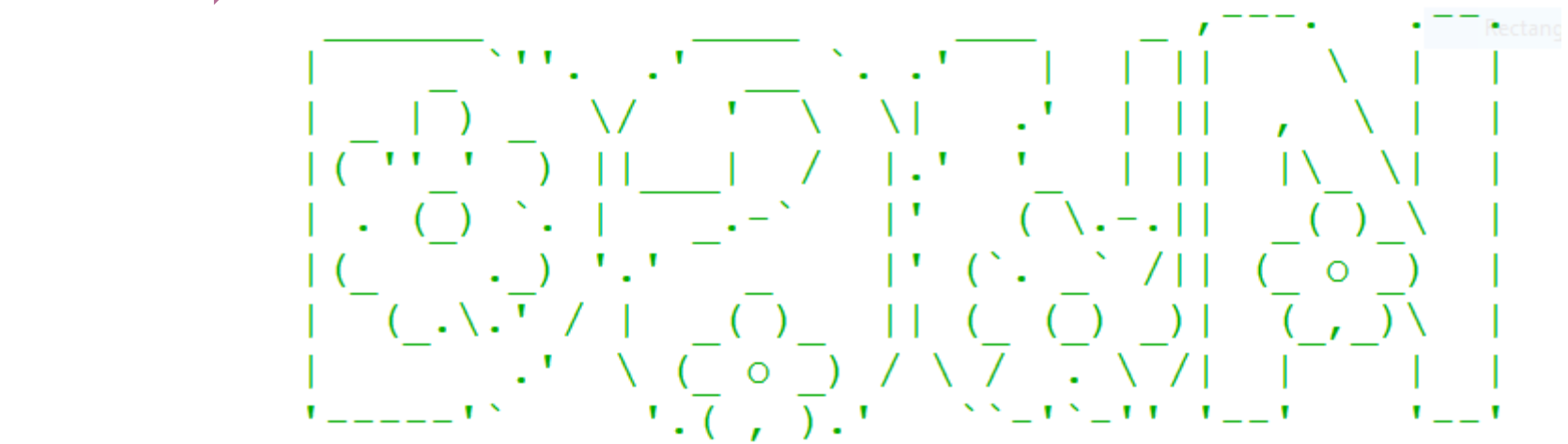

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"""
print(title)
input("\n\nPress Enter to Exit.")
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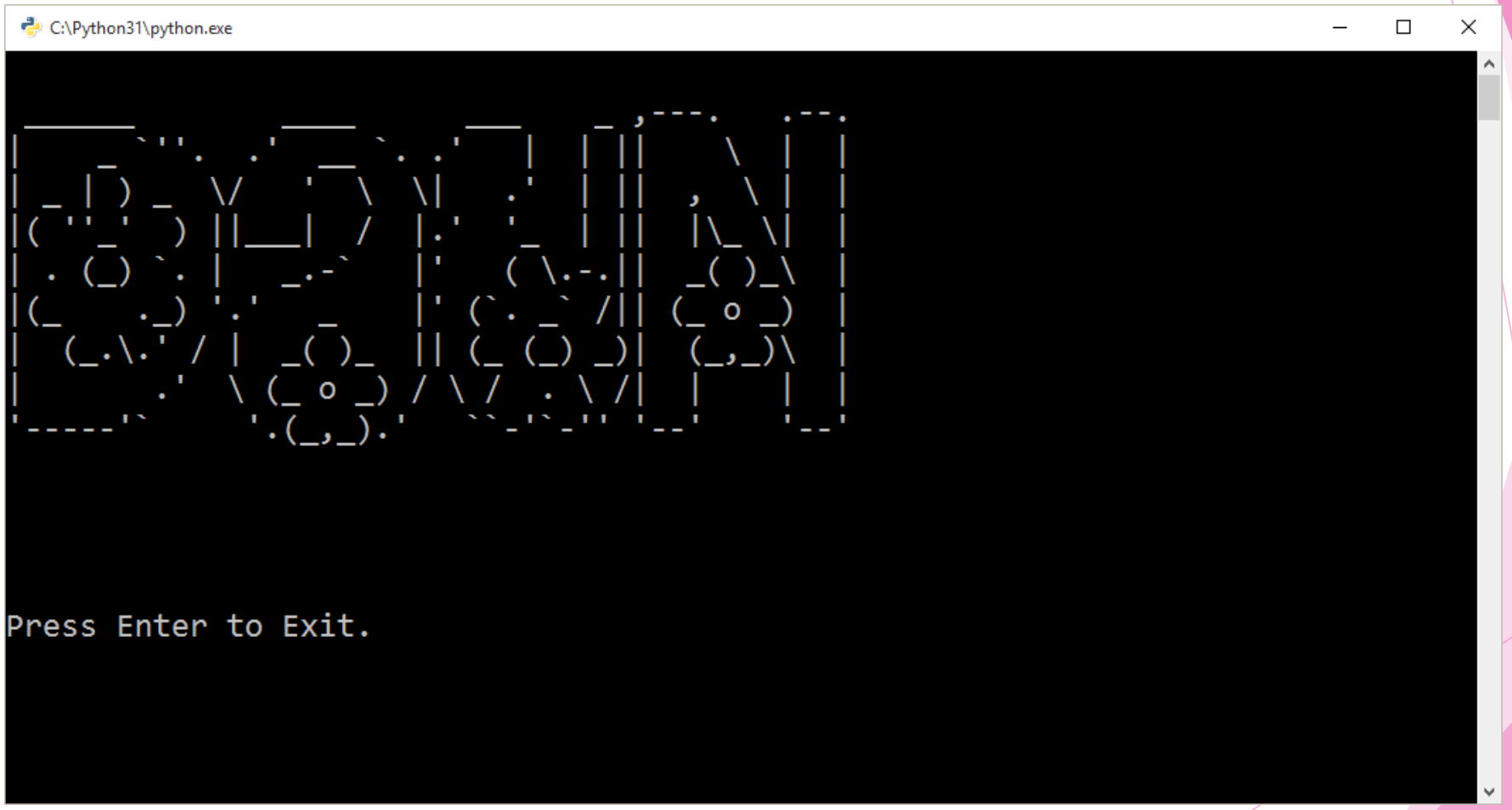
Triple Quoted String



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