Appendix A: Introduction to Python

Dynamic Typing

```
x = 123
x = 'hello'
int x, y;
```

Multi-line Statements

```
x = (1 + 2  # parenthesized expression still open at newline
3)  # so stmt continues to this line
```

Code Blocks

```
if x == 5:  # test if x is equal to 5
    print(1)  # first stmt in block
    print(2)
    print(3)  # last stmt in block
    print(4)

print('hello')
```

Arithmetic Operations

```
print(5 + 2)  # addition: displays 7
print(5 - 2)  # subtraction: displays 3
print(5 * 2)  # multiplication: displays 10
print(5 ** 2)  # exponentiation: displays 25
print(5 / 2)  # floating-point division: displays 2.5
print(5 // 2)  # integer division: displays 2
print(5 % 2)  # remainder: displays 1
```

Strings

```
print('hello') # displays hello
print("hello") # displays hello
print("it's") # displays it's
print('it\'s') # displays it's
print('A\\B') # displays A\B
if s.startswith('.t'):
  print('it does')
s = 'x'*5
i = 30
t = ' '*i  # t is assigned string consisting of 30 spaces
print(t + '^') # position of caret determined by value in i at run time
```

Concatenation

```
print(3 + 2)  # addition: displays 5
print('3' + '2')  # concatenation: displays 32
```

Assignment Operator

```
x = 1

x = x + 1

x + 1
```

Functions

```
1 def sample():  # this is the start of the function definition
2  print('morning')
3  print('bye')  # end of function definition
4 print('good')
5 sample()  # this stmt "calls" sample()

good
morning
bye
```

```
1 def f():
    print('hello')
  g() # forward reference ok here
4
5 def g():
6 print('bye')
7 f()
                  # this call must follow the definition of f()
1 def g(x, y): # x and y are parameters
2 print(x + y) # displays 75
3 z = 20
4 def f():
g(z + 5, 50) # z + 5 and 50 are arguments
6 f()
```

```
1 def addorconcat(x, y):
2 result = x + y
3 return result
4 y = addorconcat(3, 2) # y is assigned 5
5 y = addorconcat('3', '2') # y is assigned '32'
    y = 5
    y = '32'
```

```
1 def r():
  print('hello')
  r()
                        # r() calls itself
4 r()
1 def countdown(n)
2 if n > 0:
                          # recurse only if n is positive
       print(n)
       countdown(n - 1) # next n is one less the current n
5 countdown(10)
```

Global and Local Variables

```
1 \times = 1 # x is global here
2 y = 2 # y is global here
3 z = 3 # z is global here
4 def f():
5 global x # makes x global in this function
6 	 x = y 	 # x and y are global variables here
7 z = 20 # z is a local variable here
8 f()
9 print(x) # displays 2
10 print(y) # displays 2
11 print(z) # displays 3
```

```
1 def f():
   x = 1
               # this is the local variable x in f()
   g()
    print(x) # displays 1
5 def g():
6 	 x = 7
               # does not change local variable x in f()
7 f()
```

```
tempcount = 0
def gettemp():
  global tempcount
   tempcount += 1 # increment tempcount for next call of cg_gettemp()
```

print Statement

```
print() # nothing displayed, goes to next line
     print(1) # displays 1, goes to next line
     print(1, 2) # displays 1 2 then goes to the next line
     print(1, 2,) # displays 1 2 then goes to the next line
     print(1, 2, end = '') # does not move cursor to next line
     print(3)
     print('x = \%5d y = \%d' \% (x, y))
x = 2 y = 3
     print('%50s' % 'hello')
                                           hello
```

input() Function

```
x = input('enter integer')
```

enter integer

if Statement

```
true/false expression
                                            true/false expression
  if x == 5:
                                      if x = 5:
     print('hello')
                                          print('hello')
                                      else:
                                         print('bye')
  x = 1
  if x:
                           # 1 is treated as True
     print('hello')
                           # hello is displayed
Relational operator
                                Meaning
                                equal
   ==
   ! =
                                not equal
                                less than
                                less than or equal
   <=
                                greater than
   >
                                greater than or equal
   >=
  if grade >= 90:
     print('A')
                        # elif means else if
  elif grade >= 80:
     print('B')
  elif grade >= 70:
     print('C')
  elif grade >= 65:
     print('D')
  else:
     print('F')
  if x == 1 or y == 2:
     print('got 1 or 2 or both')
  if not(x == 1 \text{ or } y == 2):
     print('x not 1 and y not 2')
```

while Statement

```
exit-test expression
 1 i = 1
 2 while i <= 10:
                      # loop body executed while i <= 10 is True
      print(i)
      i += 1
 1 i = 1
 2 while i <= 10:
      print(i)
    if i == 5:
          break
                   # causes a break out of the loop
      i += 1
     while True:
                                # stmts before the exit test
       if exit-test_expression:
                                # this is the exit test
         break
                                # stmts after the exit test
 1 \text{ sum} = 0
 2 while True:
      x = int(input('enter integer: ')) # prompt user
      if x < 0:
                                          # check for a neg number
          break
                                          # exit loop
                                          # add x to sum
       sum += x
 7 print('sum = ' + str(sum))
                                          # display final sum
enter integer: 5
enter integer: 3
enter integer: -1
sum = 8
```

Files

```
infile = open('t.in', 'r')
source = infile.read()
outfile = open('c1.s', 'w')
outfile.write('hello\n')
outfile.close()
```

Classes

```
1 class Token:
     def __init__(self, line, column, category, lexeme):
        self.line = line
                                 # line number of the token
        self.column = column
                                 # column in which token starts
        self.category = category # category of the token
        self.lexeme = lexeme
                                 # token in string form
   t = Token(1, 20, None, 'x')
                            line
                     1
                     20
                            column
                    None
                            category
                    'x'
                            lexeme
   t.category = NAME
   t = Token(1, 20, None, 'x')
                 Token object
    self
                                                              line
                            line
                                                       1
                                                              column
                            column
                                                       20
                                                              category
                            category
    parameter
                                                      None
                            lexeme
                                                      'x'
                                                              lexeme
                                              parameters
```

Exceptions

```
1 try
      parser()
  3 except RuntimeError as emsg # catches RuntimeError exceptions
                  # displays error message
# terminates program
      print(emsg)
  5 sys.exit(1)
     raise RuntimeError('Illegal operation')
     sys.exit(1)
 1 try:
      infile = open('i1.in', 'r') # opens file for reading
      source = infile.read() # reads the entire file
 4 except IOError:
                  # catches IOError exceptions
      print('Cannot read input file i1.in')
 6 sys.exit(1)
                  # terminates the program
class Returnsignal(Exception)
  pass
     raise Returnsignal()
```

Lists

```
zlist = []
     zlist.append('hello')
     zlist.append(234)
     print(zlist)
['hello', 234]
     print(zlist[0]) # displays element at index 0
     print(zlist[1]) # displays element at index 1
     x = zlist.pop()
     if 234 in zlist:
        print('it is there')
     index = zlist.index('hello')
     for i in zlist:
        print(i)
```

splitlines() Method

```
infile = open('i1.in', 'r')
source = infile.read()
lines = source.splitlines()
```

Dictionaries

```
d = {}
d['x'] = 'up'
d['y'] = 77

print(d['y'])  # displays 77

if 'y' in d:
    print('it is there')
```

Accessing Command Line Arguments

```
python cla.py hello 123
import sys
result = int(sys.argv[1]) + int(sys.argv[2])
print(result)
import sys
```

len() Function

```
print(len(zlist))
print(len(sys.argv))
```

isalpha(), isdigit(), isalnum(), and isspace() Methods

```
1 a = 'hello'
2 print(a.isalpha())  # displays True
3 print(a.isdigit())  # displays False
4 print(a.isalnum())  # displays True
5 print(a.isspace())  # displays False
```

Time and Date

```
print(time.strftime('%c'))
```

To use time.strftime('%c'), insert the following statement at the beginning of your program:

import time