

Data types and how to print them

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Can also use a variable:

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int age = 90;
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We can still further customize:

```
printf("PI = %08.3f", 3.14);
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Here, 0 is for zero pad, 8 is for 8 *total* characters (including the decimal point), 3 is for places after decimal point

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float_exp(2, 3);
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int x = (int) 5.0;  
(unsigned int) -1;
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