

# Welcome to Python

## No Sneks Allowed

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# Hello, Python

```
1 def main():
2     print("Hello World!")
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4 if __name__ == "__main__":
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# Setup Steps: Get Resources

- All resources at:  
[https://github.com/fordham-css/Python\\_Workshop](https://github.com/fordham-css/Python_Workshop)
- Either use `git clone` or download it as a zip file
- Hint: You can download things from terminal on most \*NIX systems and in Powershell with `$ wget URL`
- Navigate to the `resources` directory
- You'll be opening VsCode (After Python / Docker is set up) in this directory, by navigating here in Terminal and typing `$ code .` or through the GUI on Windows (Ask me)<sup>2</sup>

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- If using Docker:
  - VsCode Required
  - Make sure you open it in the right directory<sup>4</sup>
  - Install Extension “Remote - Containers”
  - Click Orangey Thingy at Bottom Left
  - Select “Reopen in Container”
  - Wait...
  - You’re ready

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  - Open your text editor and wait

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# Setup Steps: VsCode

- If you're using Docker this will already be configured for you
- F1
- > Python: Select Interpreter
- Click the one that has conda/miniconda somewhere in it<sup>6</sup>
- F1
- > Python: Select Linter
- Click "pylint"
- It will prompt you to install PyLint, let it<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>6</sup>Ask for help if you don't see it

<sup>7</sup>If it asks whether you want to use conda or pip say conda

# You did it!

You now should all have a working Python setup. We'll continue once everybody has gotten it working.

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1  # This file demonstrates variables in Python
2  # You don't need to use a 'var' keyword
3  # or declare a type
4  a = 1
5  b = "A string"
6  c = {
7      "This is": "A dictionary",
8      "It's pretty much": "the same thing as a JS object"
9  }
10 # This is a list
11 d = [a, b, c]
12 # This is fine, you can change type on the fly
13 a = b
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1 print("A string")
2 print(1)
3 print([1, 4, 5, 6])
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- You can print nearly anything, with varying degrees of success
- Try printing some things, see what works well and what doesn't



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- You control the order in which it executes statements using:<sup>9</sup>
  - Conditionals
  - Loops
  - Functions

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