

“Hello World!”

Invent Your Own Computer Games with Python

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Introduction to Python

■ Python

- Easier to learn than C.
- Serious programming language.
- Many expert programmers use Python in their work.

■ Python programming

- Need to install software called the **Python interpreter**.
 - **Interpreter**
: a program that understands the instructions that you'll write in the Python language.

Introduction

- **Installing Python on a Windows Machine**
- **Starting the Python Interpreter**
- **Evaluating Expressions**
- **Storing values in variables**
- **Strings**
- **Write the first program**
 - "Hello world"
 - "My Favorite Stuff"

Installing Python

■ Download Python

- Official website: <http://www.python.org>
- Download Python: [Python 2.7.2 Windows Installer](#)



For the MD5 checksums and OpenPGP signatures, look at the [detailed Python 2.7.2 page](#):

- [Python 2.7.2 Windows Installer](#) (Windows binary -- does not include source)
- [Python 2.7.2 Windows X86-64 Installer](#) (Windows AMD64 / Intel 64 / X86-64 binary [1])
- [Python 2.7.2 Mac OS X 64-bit/32-bit x86-64/i386 Installer](#) (for Mac OS X 10.6 and 10.7)
- [Python 2.7.2 Mac OS X 32-bit i386/PPC Installer](#) (for Mac OS X 10.3 through 10.6 [2])
- [Python 2.7.2 compressed source tarball](#) (for Linux, Unix or Mac OS X)
- [Python 2.7.2 bzipipped source tarball](#) (for Linux, Unix or Mac OS X, more compressed)

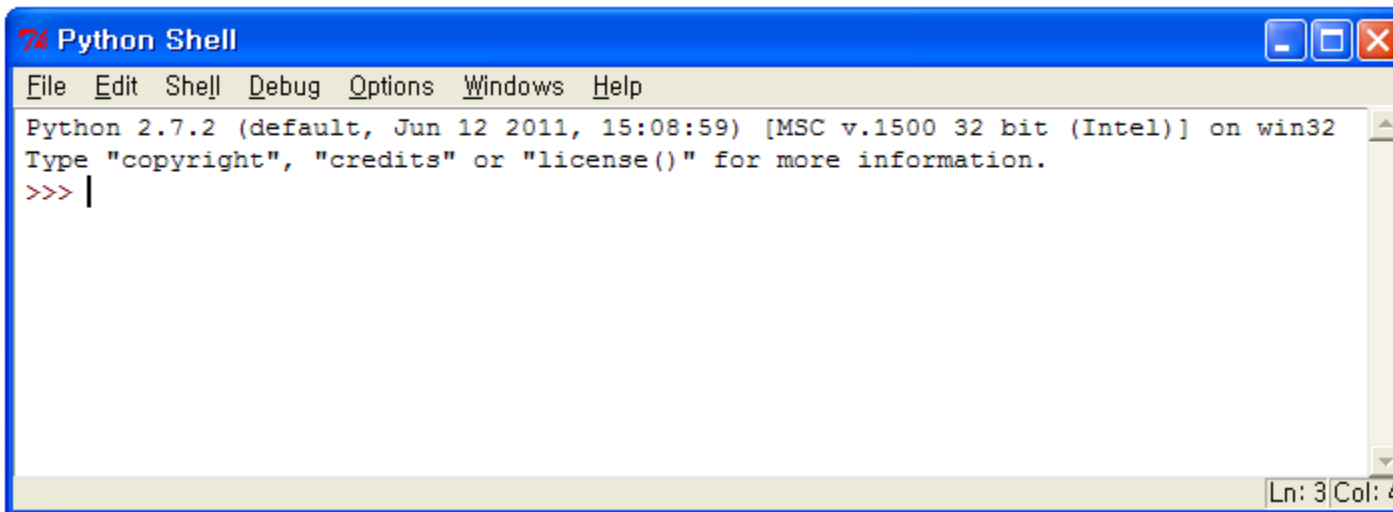
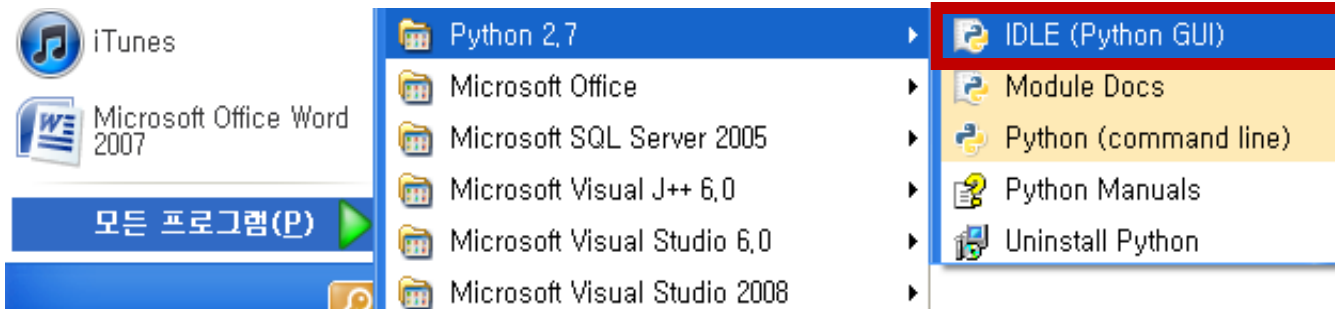
Installing Python

■ Install Python



Starting the Python Interpreter

■ IDLE (Python GUI) Program



Starting the Python Interpreter (Linux)

- First, open a “terminal”
- In Ubuntu (Unity), just click the Ubuntu logo and start typing *terminal*.



Starting the Python Interpreter (Linux)

- To open an IDLE session, type this command in a terminal window:

■ `python`

- Type Control-D to terminate the IDLE session.
- If you write a Python script named *filename.py*, you can execute it using the command

■ `python filename.py`

Starting the Python Interpreter

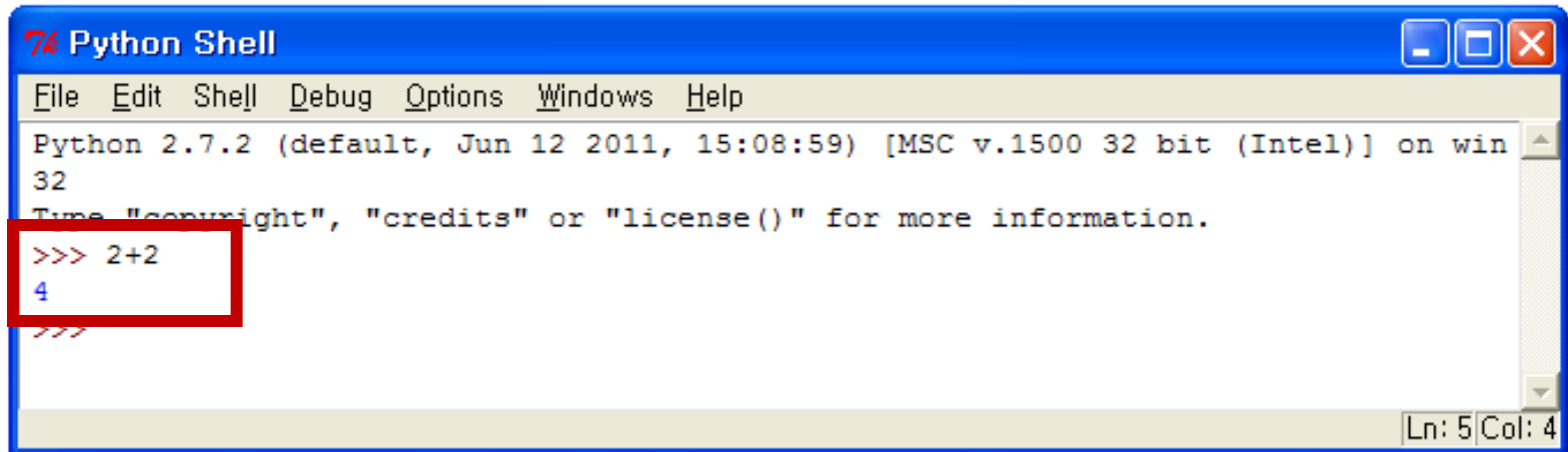
■ IDLE

- Interactive DeveLopment Environment
- Program that **helps us** type in our own programs and games.
- **Interactive shell**
 - First run IDLE window.
 - Can work just like a calculator.

Starting the Python Interpreter

■ Some Simple Math Stuff

- Type **2+2** into the shell and press the **Enter** key.
- Computer should respond with the number **4**.
: the sum of **2+2**



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Python Shell
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Python 2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 15:08:59) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)] on win
32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> 2+2
4
>>>
```

Starting the Python Interpreter

■ Some Simple Math Stuff

- The various math operators in Python.

2+2	Addition
2-2	Subtraction
2*2	Multiplication
2/2	Division

- +, -, *, and / are called **operators**.
- * sign is called an **asterisk**.

Starting the Python Interpreter

■ Integers and Floating Point Numbers

- **Integers**
 - whole numbers (like 4, 0, and 99)
- **Floating point numbers**
 - numbers with a decimal point (like 5.0)
- **In Python**
 - the number 5 is an **integer**
 - but if we wrote it as 5.0 it would **not be an integer.**

```
>>> 2/3
```

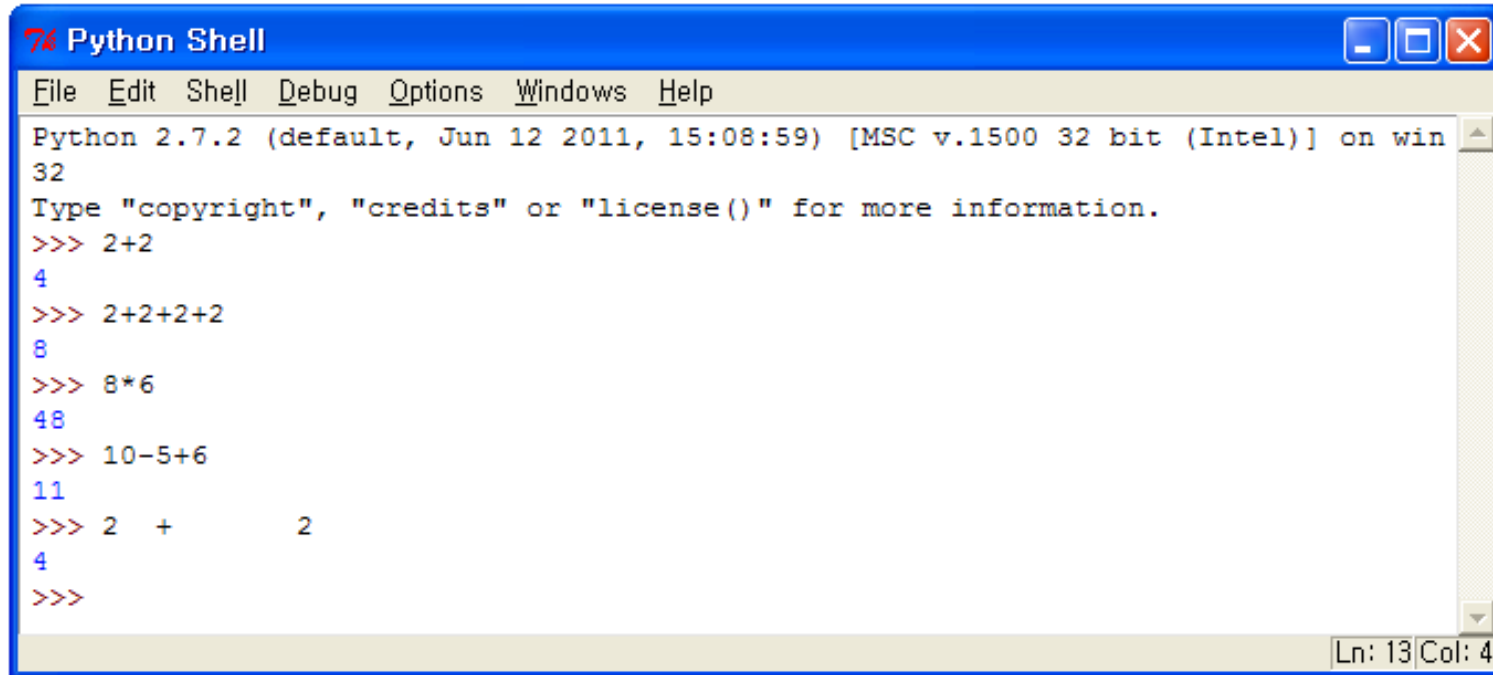
```
0
```

```
>>> 2.0/3.0
```

```
0.66666
```

Evaluating Expressions

■ Expressions



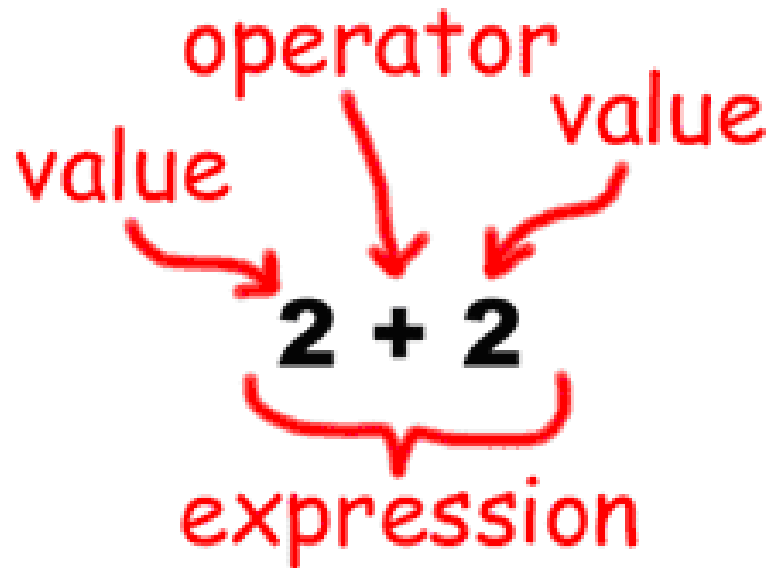
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Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> 2+2
4
>>> 2+2+2+2
8
>>> 8*6
48
>>> 10-5+6
11
>>> 2 + 2
4
>>>
```

- These math problems are called **expressions**.
- These integers are also called **values**.

Evaluating Expressions

■ Expressions

- An expression is made up of **values** and **operators**.



Evaluating Expressions

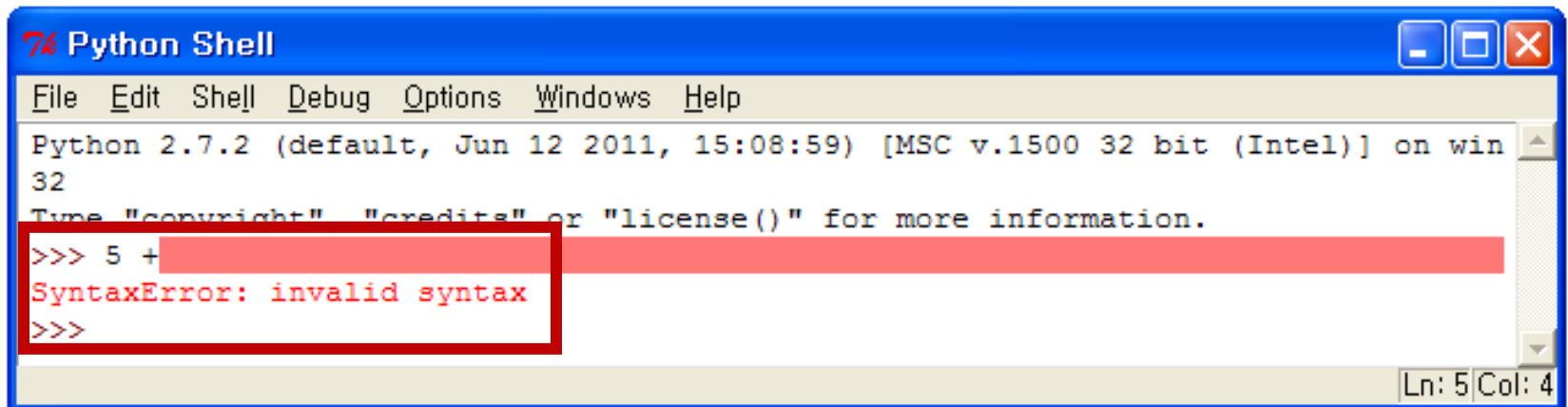
■ Evaluated the expression

- computer solves the **expression** $10 + 5$ and gets the **value** 15.
- The expressions $10 + 5$ and $10 + 3 + 2$
 - have the **same value**.
 - they both **evaluate to 15**.
- Single values are considered expressions.
 - The expression 15 evaluates to the value 15.

Evaluating Expressions

■ However,

- If you **just type 5 +**, you will get an **error message**.

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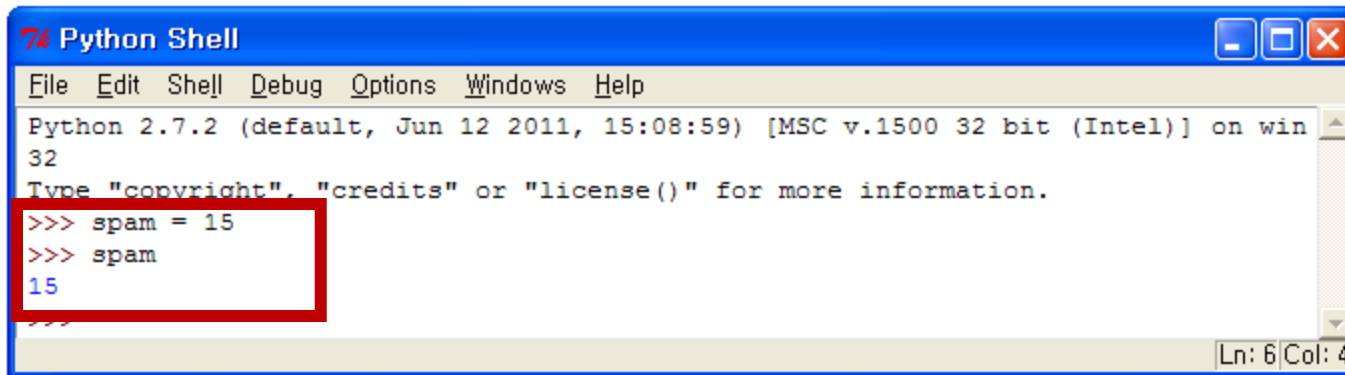
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Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> 5 +
SyntaxError: invalid syntax
>>>
```

- because **5 +** is **not an expression**.
- expressions have values connected by operators.
- the **+** **operator** always expects to **connect two things** in Python.

Storing Values in Variables

■ Variables

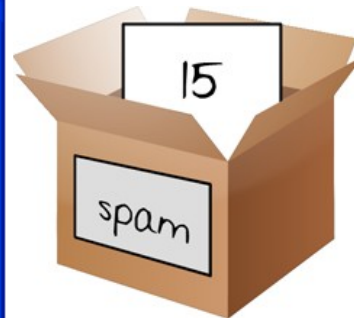
- Variables like a box that can hold values.
- Can **store values** in variables.
 - with the **= sign** (called the **assignment operator**)
- For example, to **store the value 15** in a variable named **“spam”**.



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```
Python 2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 15:08:59) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)] on win
32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam
15
```

The last two lines of code, `>>> spam = 15` and `>>> spam` followed by the output `15`, are enclosed in a red rectangular box. The status bar at the bottom right indicates "Ln: 6 | Col: 4".



Storing Values in Variables



■ Quiz

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam + 5
```

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam + 5
```

```
>>> spam = 3
>>> spam + 5
```

```
>>> spam = 5 + 7
>>> spam
```

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam + spam
```

```
>>> spam - spam
```

Storing Values in Variables



■ Quiz

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam + 5
20
```

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam + 5
20
>>> spam = 3
>>> spam + 5
8
```

```
>>> spam = 5 + 7
>>> spam
12
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam + spam
30
>>> spam - spam
0
```

Storing Values in Variables



■ Quiz

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam
```

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam
```

Storing Values in Variables



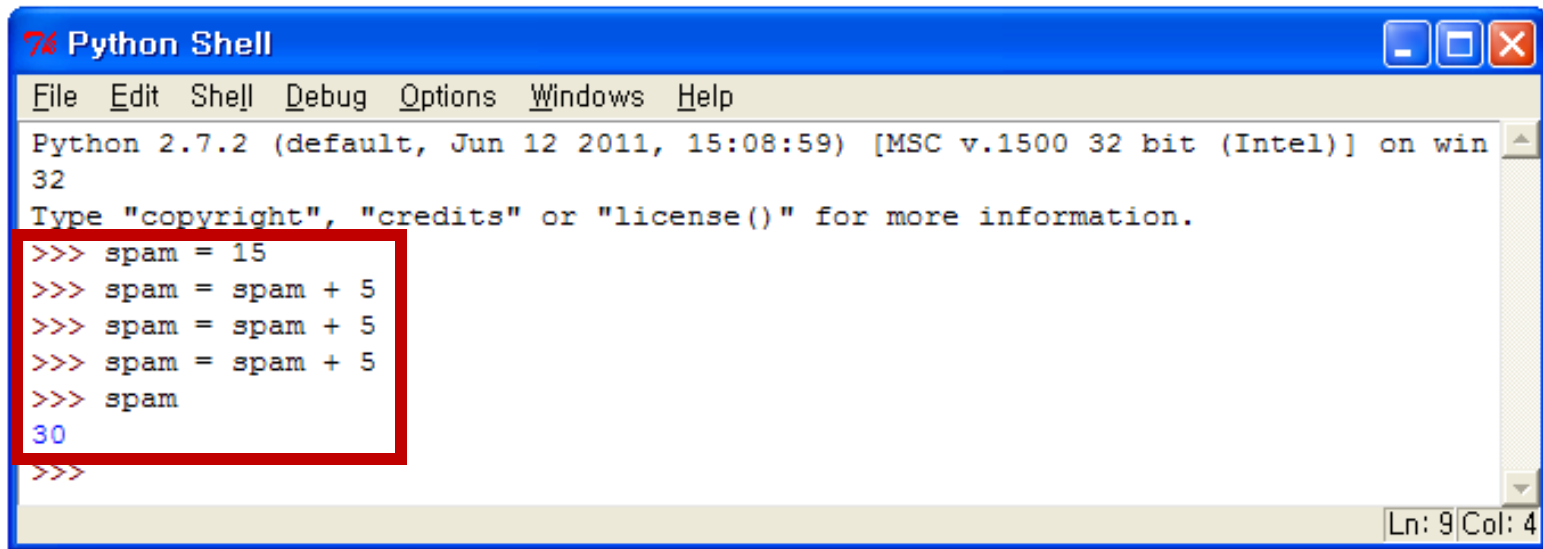
■ Quiz

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam
20
```

```
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam
30
```

Storing Values in Variables

■ Write Expressions with Variables



The screenshot shows a Python Shell window with a blue title bar and standard Windows window controls. The menu bar includes File, Edit, Shell, Debug, Options, Windows, and Help. The text area displays the following content:

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32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> spam = 15
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam = spam + 5
>>> spam
30
>>>
```

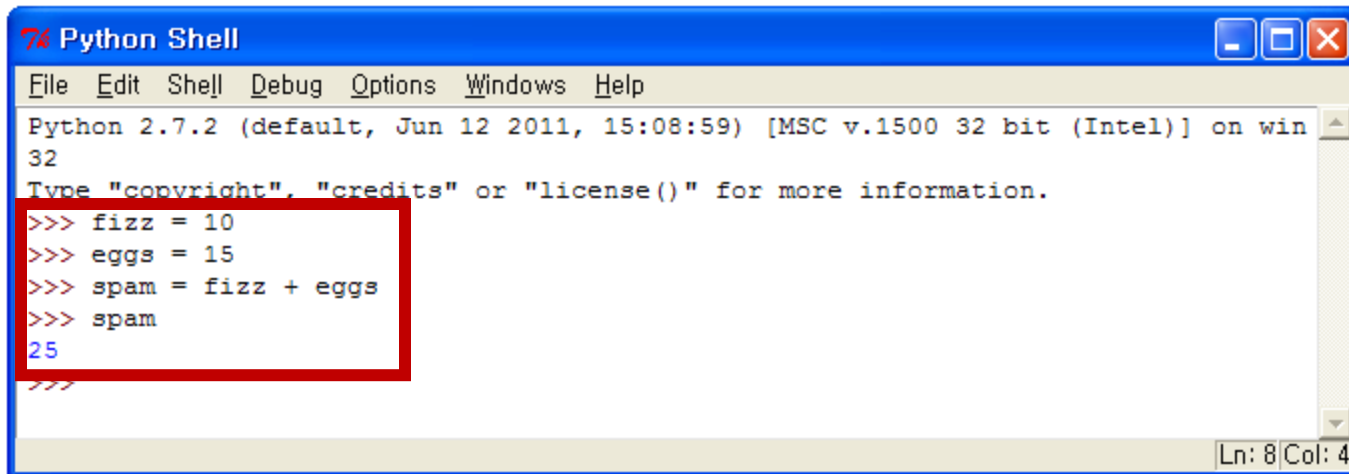
A red rectangular box highlights the first five lines of code, from `>>> spam = 15` to `>>> spam`. The output `30` is displayed in blue text. The status bar at the bottom right shows `Ln: 9 Col: 4`.

- The value of **15** was **overwritten**.

Storing Values in Variables

■ Using More Than One Variable

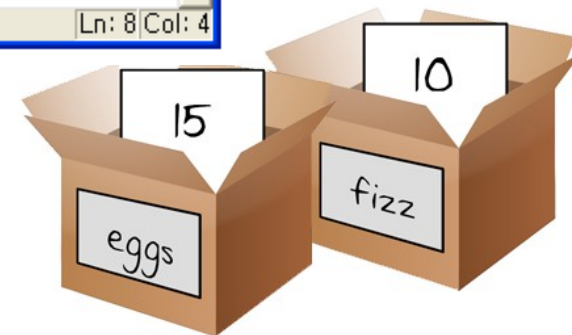
- Often we'll need to use **multiple variables**.
 - The "**fizz**" and "**eggs**" variables have values stored in them.



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```
Python 2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 15:08:59) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)] on win
32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> fizz = 10
>>> eggs = 15
>>> spam = fizz + eggs
>>> spam
25
>>>
```

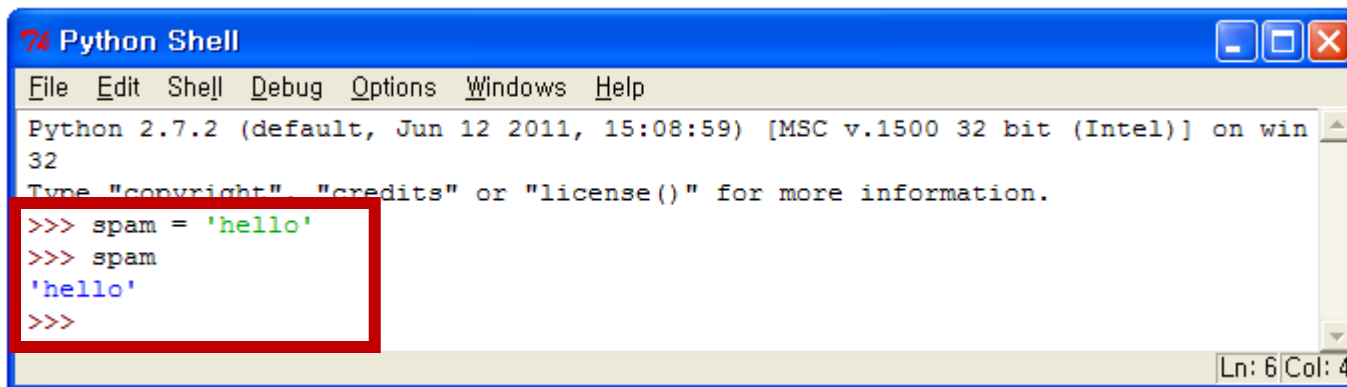
The code is enclosed in a red rectangular box. The status bar at the bottom right indicates "Ln: 8 Col: 4".



Strings

■ Strings

- **Little chunks of text.**
- Can store string values inside variables.
- Put them in between **two single quotes (')**.

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```
>>> spam = 'hello'
>>> spam
'hello'
>>>
```

 The status bar at the bottom right shows "Ln: 6 Col: 4".

Strings

■ Strings

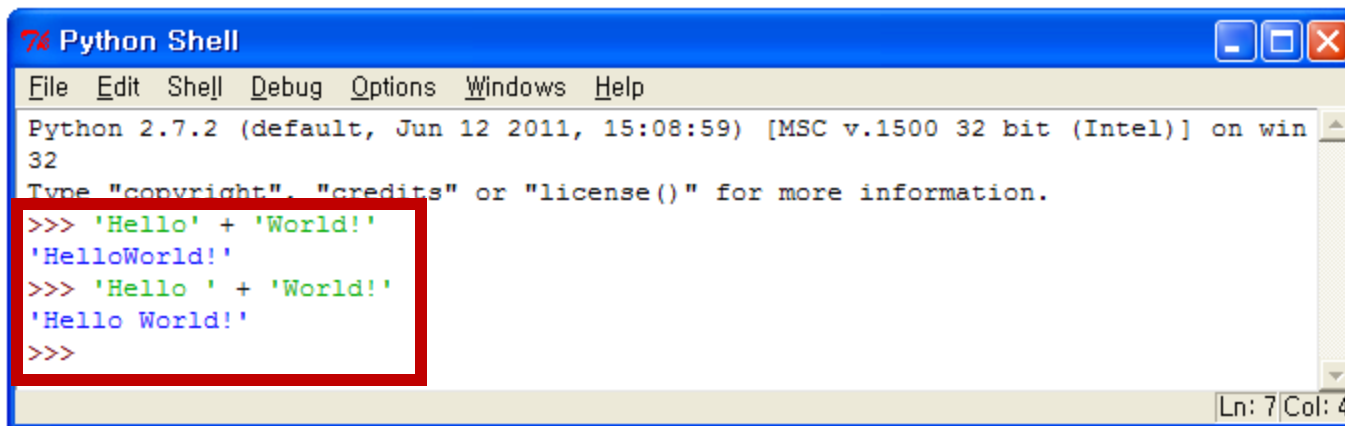
- Strings can have **spaces** and **numbers** as well.
- Examples of strings

```
'hello'  
'Hi there!'  
'KITTENS'  
'7 apples, 14 oranges, 3 lemons'  
'Anything not pertaining to elephants is irrelephant.'  
'A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away...'  
'O*&#wY%*&OCfsdYO*&gfC%YO*&%3yc8r2'
```

Strings

■ Strings Concatenation

- Can add one string to the end of another by using the **+** operator.
- Put a space at the end of the 'Hello' string.

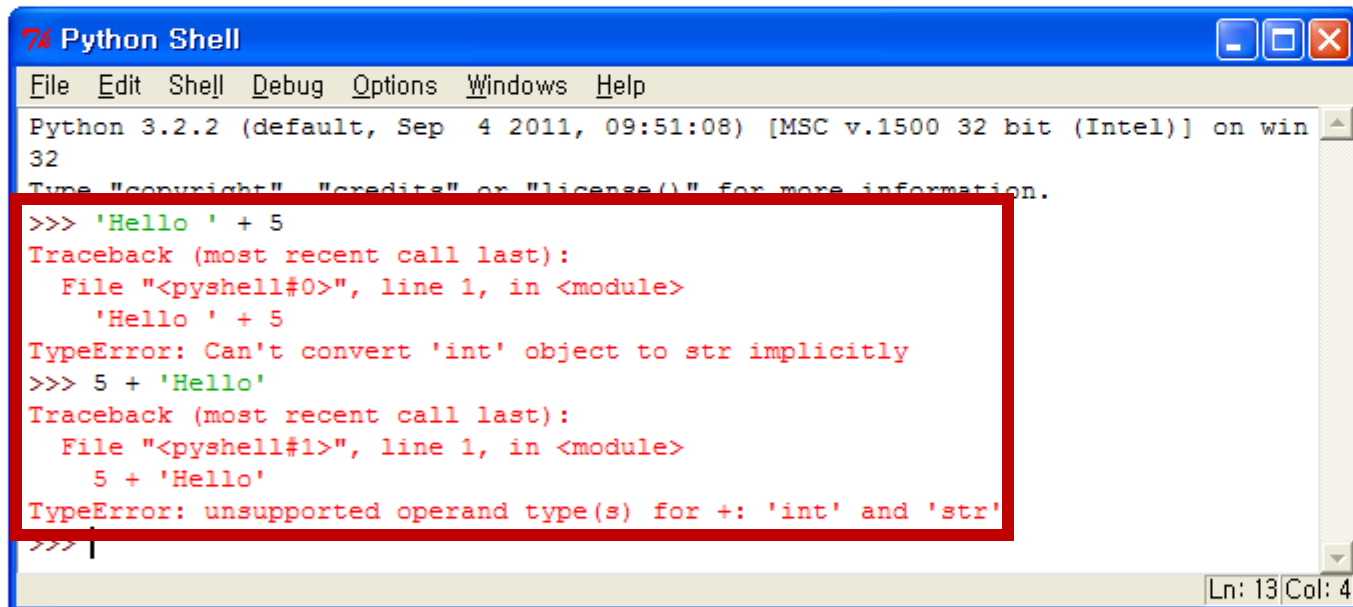
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Python 2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 15:08:59) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)] on win
32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> 'Hello' + 'World!'
'HelloWorld!'
>>> 'Hello ' + 'World!'
'Hello World!'
>>>
```

Strings

■ Data Types

- Can't add a **string** to an **integer**, or an **integer** number to a **string**.
 - Because a **string** and an **integer** are different data types.



```
Python Shell
File Edit Shell Debug Options Windows Help
Python 3.2.2 (default, Sep  4 2011, 09:51:08) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)] on win
32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.

>>> 'Hello ' + 5
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#0>", line 1, in <module>
    'Hello ' + 5
TypeError: Can't convert 'int' object to str implicitly
>>> 5 + 'Hello'
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<pyshell#1>", line 1, in <module>
    5 + 'Hello'
TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for +: 'int' and 'str'
>>> |
```

Ln: 13 Col: 4

Strings



■ Quiz

```
>>> 'Hello' + '5'  
>>>
```

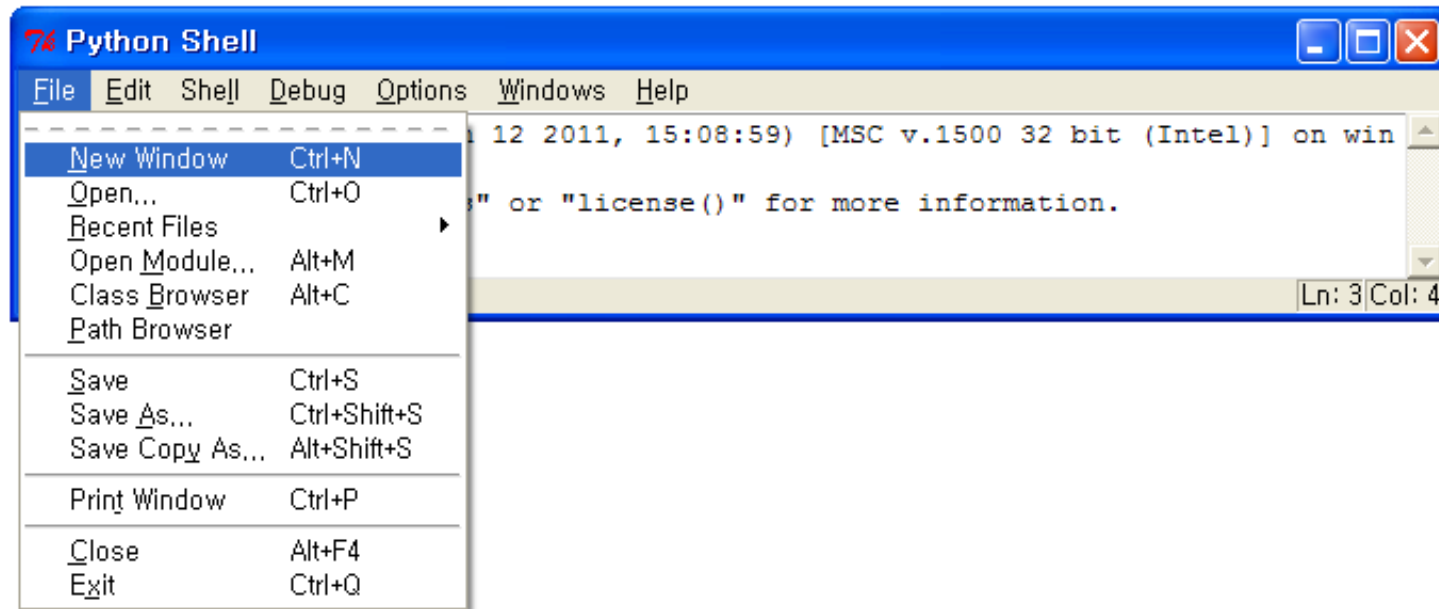
```
>>> spam = 5  
>>> 'Hello' + spam  
>>>
```

```
>>> spam = 'Hello'  
>>> spam = 'World!'  
>>> spam + spam  
>>>
```

Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Programs “Hello World!”

- Use “new file editor” window on a windows machine

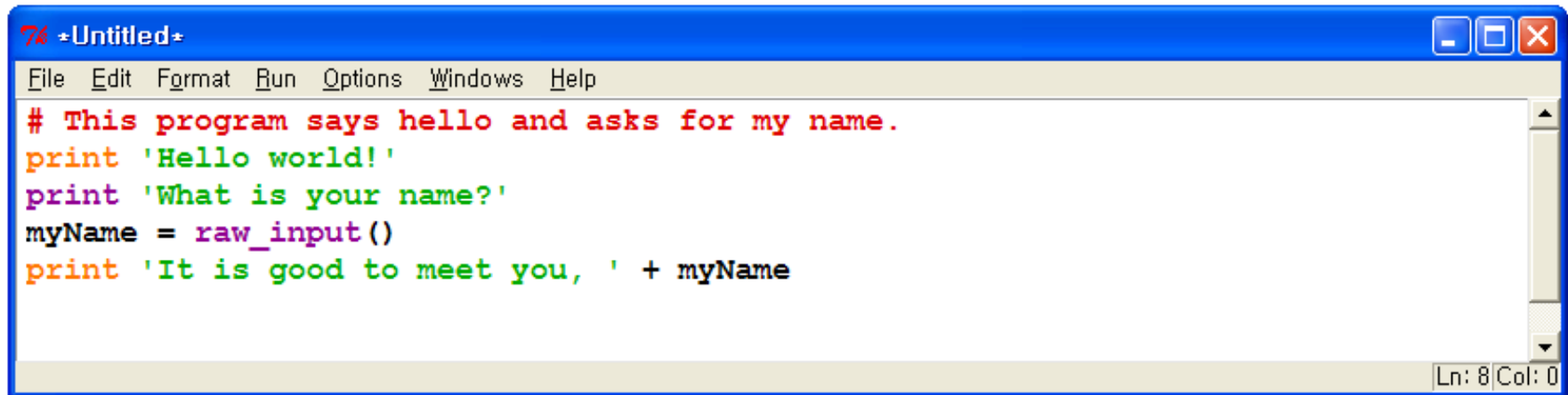


- Use a “gedit” window on a linux machine
 - click the Ubuntu logo and start typing *gedit*.

Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Programs “Hello World!”

- We call this text the **source code** of the program.



A screenshot of a Python IDE window titled '*Untitled*'. The window has a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'Format', 'Run', 'Options', 'Windows', and 'Help'. The code editor contains the following Python code:

```
# This program says hello and asks for my name.  
print 'Hello world!'  
print 'What is your name?'  
myName = raw_input()  
print 'It is good to meet you, ' + myName
```

The status bar at the bottom right shows 'Ln: 8 Col: 0'.

Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Programs “Hello World!”

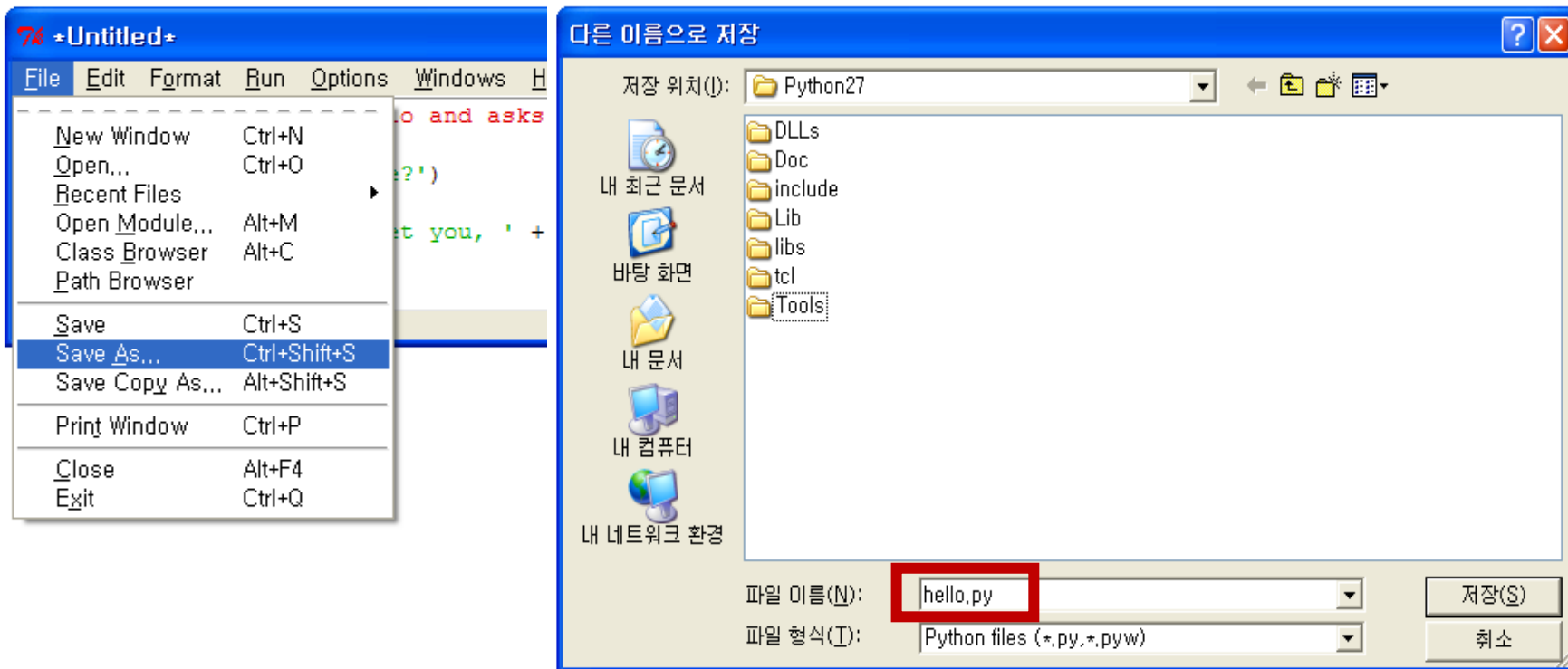
- Type the following text into this new window.

```
1. # This program says hello and asks for my name.  
2. print 'Hello world!'  
3. print 'What is your name?'  
4. myName = raw_input()  
5. print 'It is good to meet you, ' + myName
```

Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Programs “Hello World!”

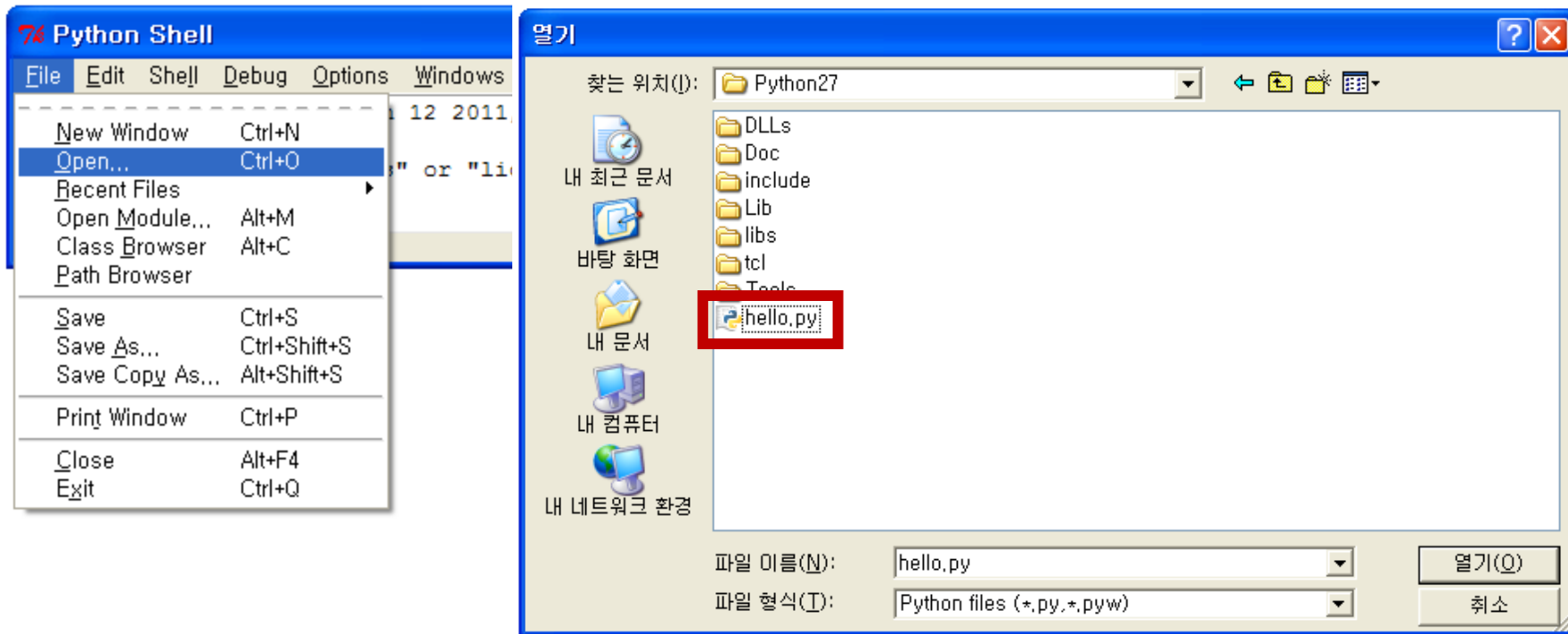
- Saving Program



Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Programs “Hello World!”

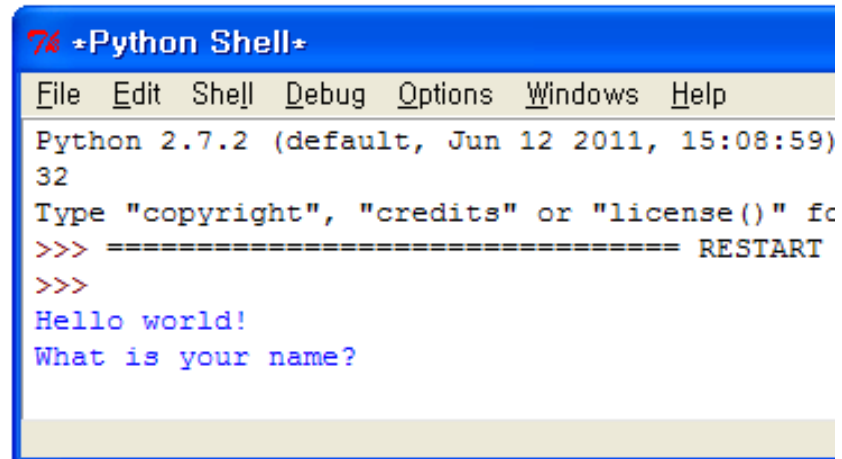
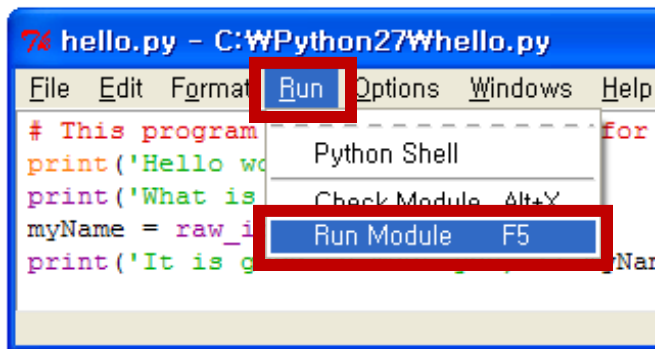
- Opening The Programs You've Saved



Write the first program “Hello World!”

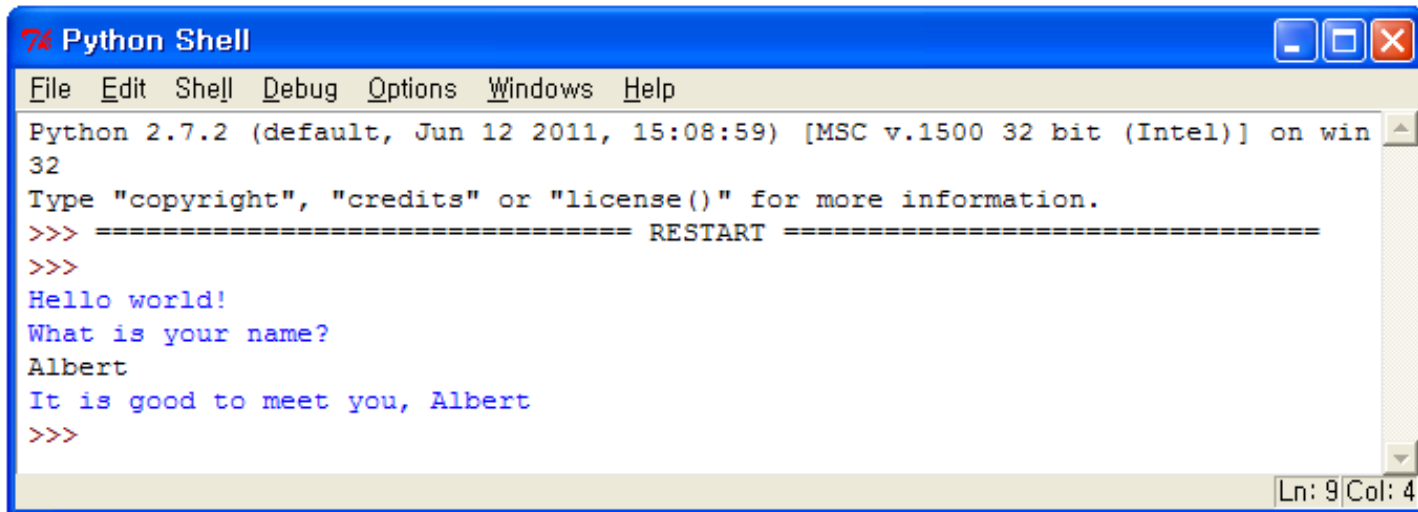
■ Programs “Hello World!”

- Run “Hello World!” program.
- choose **Run > Run Module** or just press the **F5** key.



Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Programs “Hello World!”



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```
Python 2.7.2 (default, Jun 12 2011, 15:08:59) [MSC v.1500 32 bit (Intel)] on win
32
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> ===== RESTART =====
>>>
Hello world!
What is your name?
Albert
It is good to meet you, Albert
>>>
```

Users

run and use the program

Programmers

wrote the program

Executes

program starts at the very top and then **executes** each line

**Flow of execution,
or execution**

program's following of instructions **step-by-step**

Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Code Explanation

- **Comment**

- Any text following a **# sign** (called the **pound sign**) is a comment.
- Not for the computer, but for the programmer.

```
1. # This program says hello and asks for my name.
```

- **Print statement**

- The **print** keyword followed by an expression.
- Will **display** the text on the screen.

```
2. print 'Hello world!'  
3. print 'What is your name?'
```

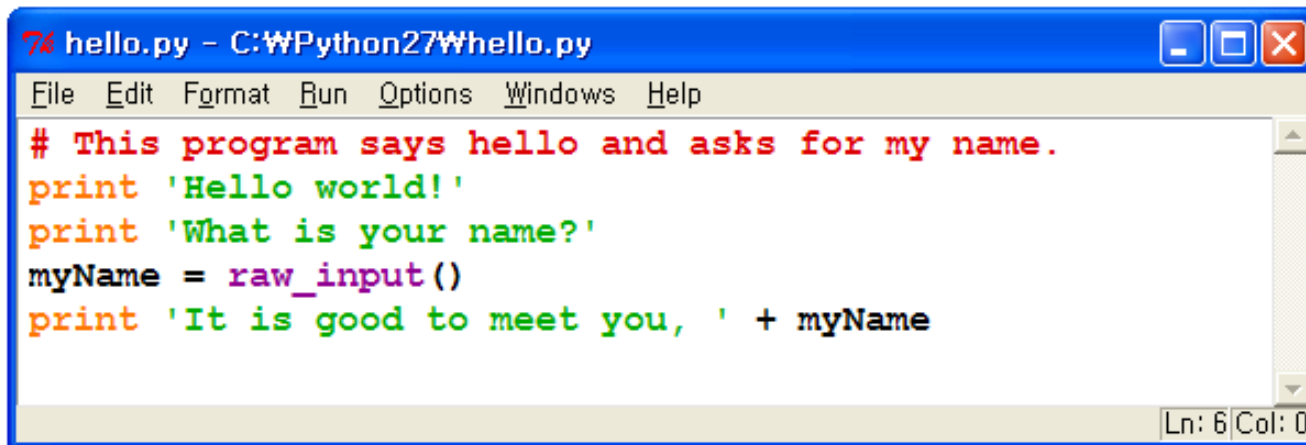
Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Code Explanation

- **Function**
 - a bit of code that does a particular action.
- **Function call**
 - a piece of code that tells our program to run the code inside a function.
- **Return value**
 - The **value that the function call** evaluates to is called the return value.
- **Ending the Program**
 - Once the program executes the **last line, it stops**.
At this point it has **terminated** or **exited**.

Write the first program “Hello World!”

■ Code Explanation

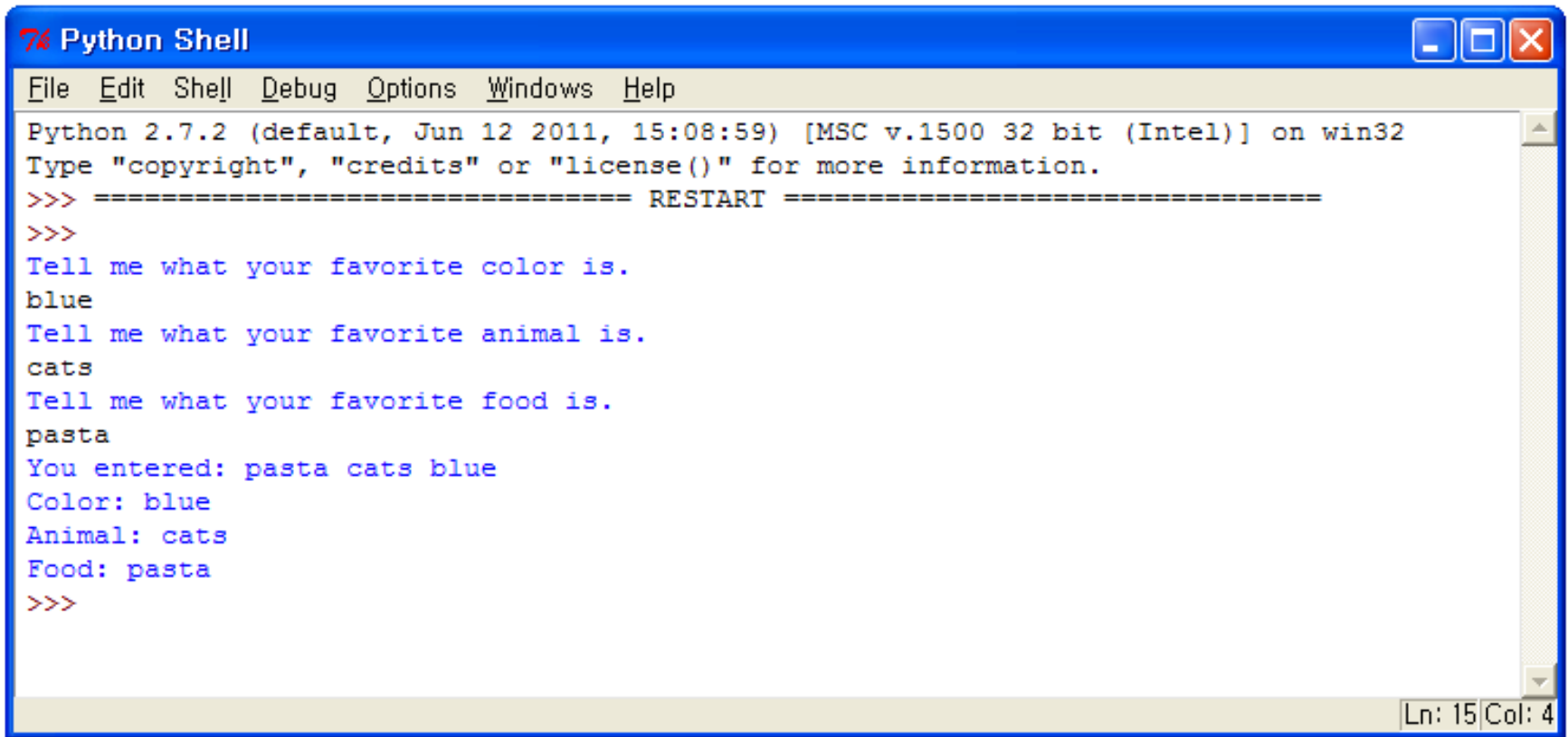


```
hello.py - C:\WPython27\hello.py
File Edit Format Run Options Windows Help
# This program says hello and asks for my name.
print 'Hello world!'
print 'What is your name?'
myName = raw_input()
print 'It is good to meet you, ' + myName
Ln: 6 Col: 0
```

- **Variable**
 - myName
- **Function**
 - print(), raw_input()

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Programs “My Favorite Stuff”



```
Python Shell
File Edit Shell Debug Options Windows Help
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Type "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
>>> ===== RESTART =====
>>>
Tell me what your favorite color is.
blue
Tell me what your favorite animal is.
cats
Tell me what your favorite food is.
pasta
You entered: pasta cats blue
Color: blue
Animal: cats
Food: pasta
>>>
```

Ln: 15 Col: 4

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Programs “My Favorite Stuff”

```
# Favorite stuff
print 'Tell me what your favorite color is.'
favoriteColor = raw_input()

print 'Tell me what your favorite animal is.'
favoriteAnimal = raw_input()

print 'Tell me what your favorite food is.'
favoriteFood = raw_input()

# display our favorite stuff
print 'You entered: ' + favoriteFood + ' ' + favoriteAnimal + ' ' + favoriteColor
# print 'Here is a list of your favorite things.'
print 'Color: ' + favoriteColor
print 'Animal: ' + favoriteAnimal
print 'Food: ' + favoriteFood
```


“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Code Explanation

- **Comment**
 - The program will **ignore** it.
 - All the text after the **pound sign(#)** will be ignored by the program.

```
1. # Favorite stuff
```

- Display a bit of text asking the user to type in their **favorite color**.

```
2. print 'Tell me what your favorite color is.'
```

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Code Explanation

- **raw_input()** function
 - Let the user type in their favorite color.
 - string the user entered is stored in the **favoriteColor** variable.

```
3. favoriteColor = raw_input()
```

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Code Explanation

- `raw_input()` function
 - These lines are similar to the ones before.
 - There is a **blank line** in between them.
 - Python language, blank lines are just **ignored**.

```
5. print 'Tell me what your favorite animal is.'  
6. favoriteAnimal = raw_input()
```

```
8. print 'Tell me what your favorite food is.'  
9. favoriteFood = raw_input()
```

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Code Explanation

- **Another comment.**
 - Don’t always have to go at the top (can show up **anywhere**).

```
11. # display our favorite stuff
```

- **print statement**
 - Show us the favorite food, animal, and other we entered.
 - The **plus sign** is used to combine the string.

```
12. print 'You entered: ' + favoriteFood + ' '  
    + favoriteAnimal + ' ' + favoriteColor
```

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Code Explanation

- **print** statement
 - Another `print` statement

```
13. # print 'Here is a list of your favorite  
    things.'
```

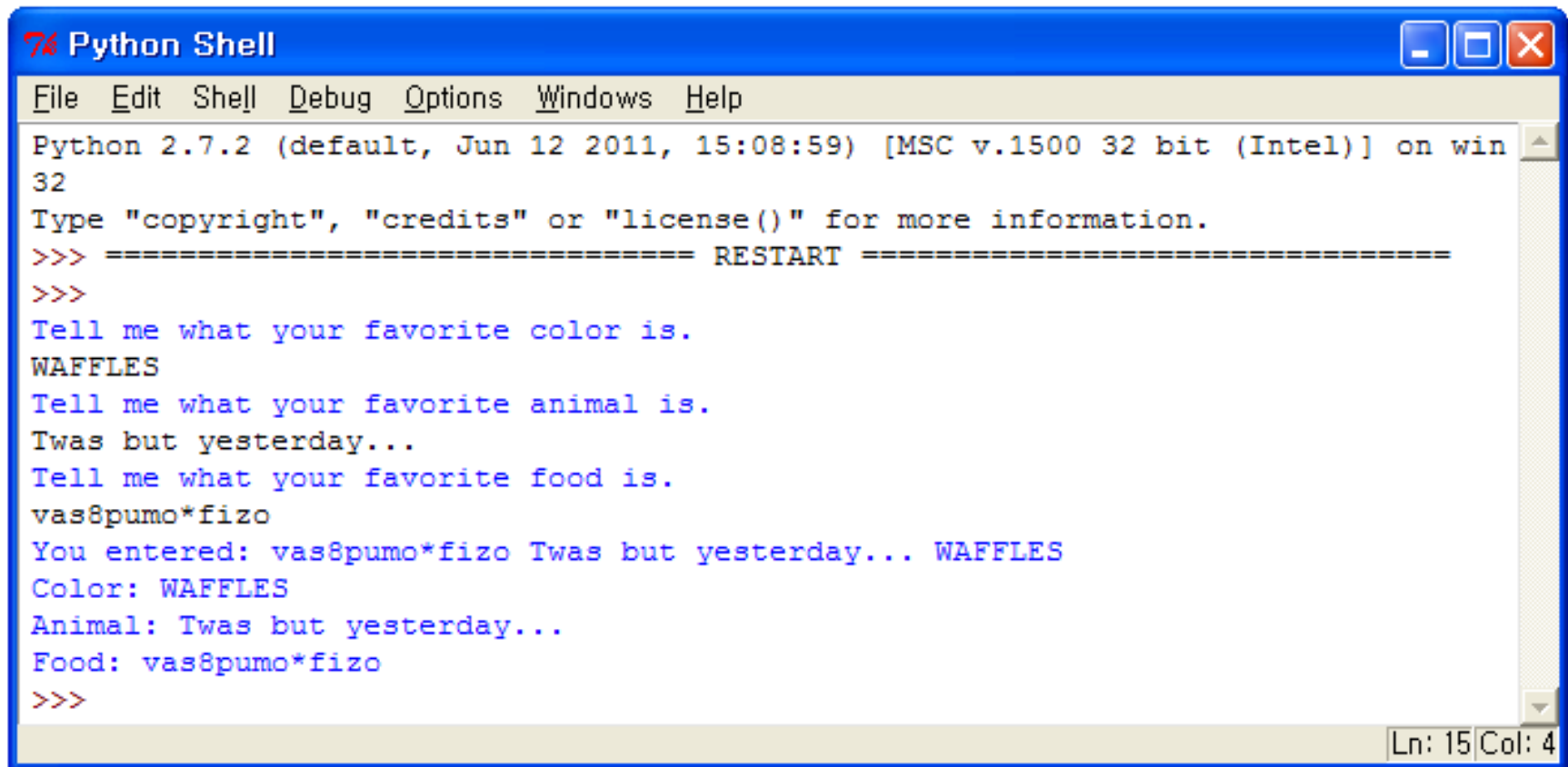
- These three lines will display our favorite things again.

```
14. print 'Color: ' + favoriteColor  
15. print 'Animal: ' + favoriteAnimal  
16. print 'Food: ' + favoriteFood
```

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Crazy Answers and Crazy Names for our Favorite Stuff

- The computer doesn't really care what you type in.



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Python Shell
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>>> ===== RESTART =====
>>>
Tell me what your favorite color is.
WAFFLES
Tell me what your favorite animal is.
Twas but yesterday...
Tell me what your favorite food is.
vas8pumo*fizo
You entered: vas8pumo*fizo Twas but yesterday... WAFFLES
Color: WAFFLES
Animal: Twas but yesterday...
Food: vas8pumo*fizo
>>>
```

Ln: 15 Col: 4

“My Favorite Stuff”

■ Crazy Answers and Crazy Names for our Favorite Stuff

- The program also **does not care** what name we give to our variables.

```
1. # Favorite stuff 2
2. print 'Tell me what your favorite color is.'
3. q = raw_input()
4.
5. print 'Tell me what your favorite animal is.'
6. fizzy = raw_input()
7.
8. print 'Tell me what your favorite food is.'
9. AbrahamLincoln = raw_input()
10.
11. # display our favorite stuff
12. print 'You entered: ' + q + ' ' + fizzy + ' ' + AbrahamLincoln
13. # print 'Here is a list of your favorite things.'
14. print 'Color: ' + q
15. print 'Animal: ' + fizzy
16. print 'Food: ' + AbrahamLincoln
```

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■ Capitalizing our Variables

- This is to make the variable names **easier to read**.
 - Because variable names **can’t have spaces** in them.

```
thisnameiskindofhardtoread  
thisNameIsEasierToRead
```

- Leave the first word in **lowercase**.
 - » But start the other words in **uppercase**.
- We call something in a certain way like this a **convention**.

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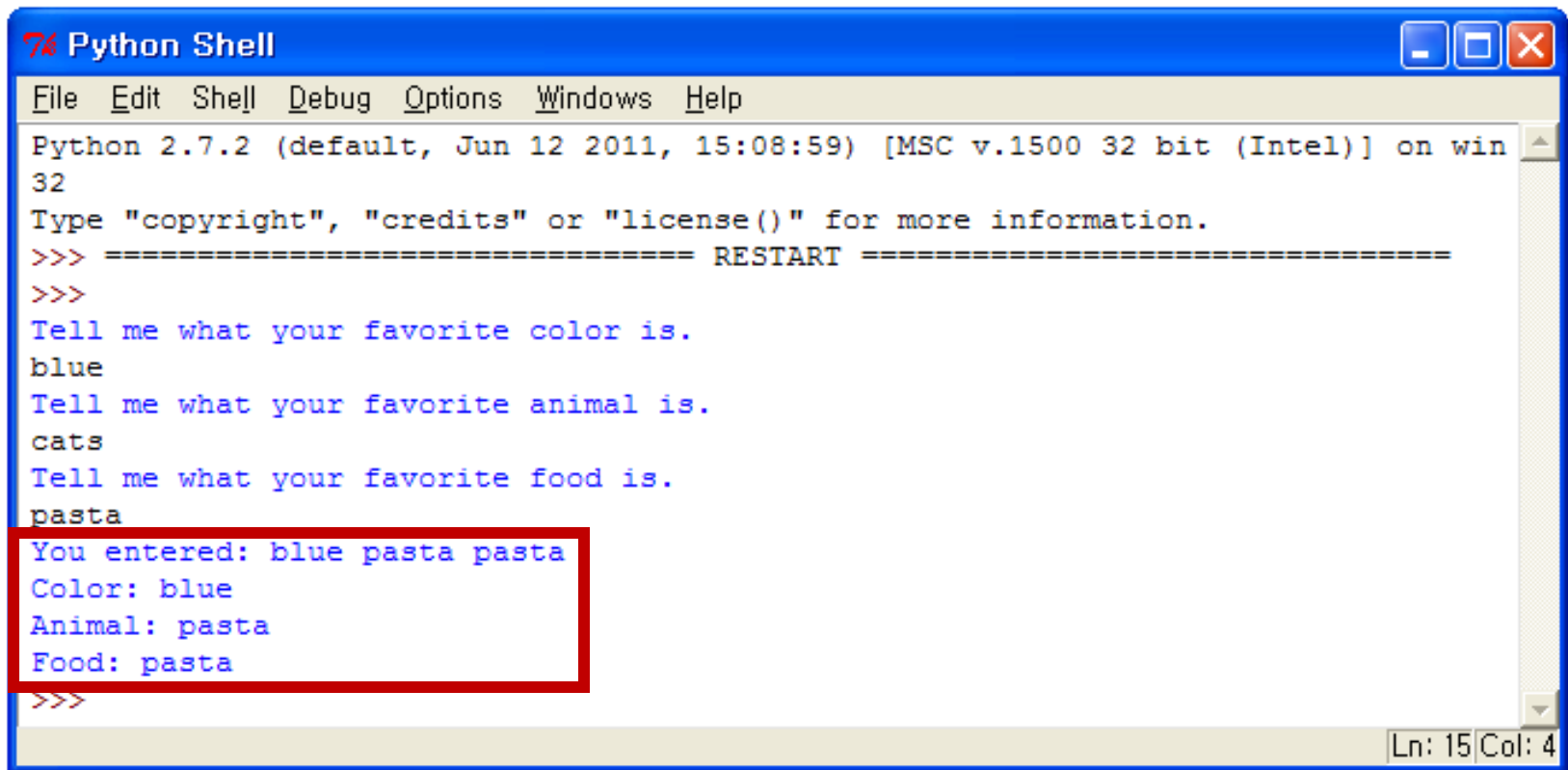
■ Quiz

- What happened here?

```
1. # Favorite stuff 3
2. print 'Tell me what your favorite color is.'
3. q = raw_input()
4.
5. print 'Tell me what your favorite animal is.'
6. AbrahamLincoln = raw_input()
7.
8. print 'Tell me what your favorite food is.'
9. AbrahamLincoln = raw_input()
10.
11. # display our favorite stuff
12. print 'You entered: ' + q + ' ' + AbrahamLincoln + ' ' + AbrahamLincoln
13. # print 'Here is a list of your favorite things.'
14. print 'Color: ' + q
15. print 'Animal: ' + AbrahamLincoln
16. print 'Food: ' + AbrahamLincoln
```

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- The favorite food value was **overwritten**.
 - A variable can only store **one value at a time**.



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>>>
Tell me what your favorite color is.
blue
Tell me what your favorite animal is.
cats
Tell me what your favorite food is.
pasta
You entered: blue pasta pasta
Color: blue
Animal: pasta
Food: pasta
>>>
```

“My Favorite Stuff”

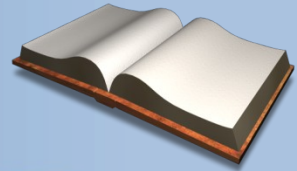
■ Case-sensitivity

- The computer considers these names to be **four separate variables**.

```
fizzy  
Fizzy  
FIZZY  
fIzZy
```

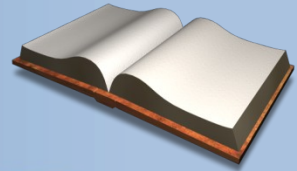
- The computer doesn't know of a function named **RAW_INPUT ()**.
- It only knows a function named **raw_input ()**.

Things Covered In This Chapter(1/2)



- Downloading and installing the Python interpreter.
- Using IDLE's interactive shell to run instructions.
- Flow of execution
- Expressions, and evaluation expressions
- Integer
- Operators(such as + - *)
- Variables
- Assignment statements
- Overwriting values in variables.

Things Covered In This Chapter(2/2)



- Strings, String concatenation
- Data types (such as strings or integers)
- Using IDLE to write source code.
- Saving and running programs in IDLE.
- The `print` statement.
- The `raw_input ()` function.
- Comments
- Conventions
- Case-sensitivity