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3.15 Break, Continue and Pass Statements

Python provides special statements to control the flow of loops. These are break, continue, and pass.

Break Statement

The break statement is used to exit a loop immediately, even if the loop condition is still true.

Example:

```
for i in range(5):
    if i == 3:
        break
    print(i)
```

Output:

```
0
1
2
```

Continue Statement

The continue statement skips the current iteration and moves to the next loop iteration.

Example:

```
for i in range(5):
    if i == 2:
        continue
    print(i)
```

Output:

```
0
1
3
4
```

Pass Statement

The pass statement is a placeholder. It does nothing and is often used when a statement is syntactically required but you do not want any action.

Example:

```
for i in range(3):
    if i == 1:
       pass # Placeholder, does nothing
    print(i)
```

Output:

```
0
1
2
```

Summary

- **break** → Exits loop completely.
- **continue** → Skips current iteration.
- pass → Does nothing (placeholder).