

Intro to Coding

Class 3

Important Note

- **Do not delete your code** for the in-class activities. You will need it for a later activity!
 - You should still keep it after class as to have a reference for when you want to review
 - Create a folder with all your python files so you can find them later!

Strings Review

- A single variable that stores a text value (AKA it represents a word/sentence)
- Defined with quotation marks
 - Example: `name = "CodeUp"`

Using Backslash

- In various programming languages, backslash is used to “escape” certain characters
- Examples:
 - `\n` - creates a new line
 - `\t` - creates an indent
 - `\\` - prints the “\” character (putting “\” alone will create an error)
 - `\"` - prints a quotation mark character
- Can you think of why some characters might need to be “escaped”?

```
print("Code\nUp")
```

Code
Up

Backslash Activity

For this activity, you will be making your own quote! Print your quote and your name. It should follow this format.

Bonus: modify your code to use only one print statement

"(your quote)"

\ Your Name /

Note: you will be manually adding your name in the `print()` statement instead of taking it as input

Example

```
"Coding is Fun"  
 \ CodeUp /
```

Solution

Prints a new line

Prints a backslash

```
print("\Coding is Fun\"n\t\\ CodeUp /")
```

Prints quotation marks

Prints an indent

Review: Concatenating Strings

- Multiple strings can be concatenated (added) together
- String concatenation follows the same format as integer addition
 - `result = str1 + str2`
- If you want to add a string to the end of an existing string, you can do this
 - `str1 += str2`
 - `str1 += "a"` (adds the character "a" at the end of str1)

Both solutions
lead to the same
output →

```
a = "Code"  
b = "Up"  
c = a + b  
print(c)
```

```
a = "Code"  
a += "Up"  
print(a)
```

CodeUp

Review: Concatenating in a print() Statement

- The print statement supports concatenation
- You can directly concatenate within a print statement without storing it in a variable
- **Remember:** not all modifications need to be stored in an intermediary variable, oftentimes you can just make the modifications within the print statement
 - It's good practice to create only necessary variables for cleaner code

```
name = "CodeUp"  
print("Hello, " + name + "!")
```

Hello, CodeUp!

Review: Concatenating Strings and Print Statements

- String concatenation follows the same format as integer addition
- Both of the following examples have the same resultant string!
 - `result = str1 + str2`
 - `str1 += str2`
- You can directly concatenate within a print statement without storing it in a variable
 - It's good practice to create only necessary variables for cleaner code!!

```
name = "CodeUp"  
print("Hello, " + name + "!")
```

Hello, CodeUp!

String Functions

- `str.upper()` - makes the entire string uppercase
- `str.lower()` - makes the entire string lowercase
- `str.capitalize()` - makes the entire string lowercase **except** for the first letter
- `len(str)` - returns the number of characters in the string
- `str.replace(x, y)` - replaces all instances of x with y
 - **Note:** x and y are strings

```
str = "abcde"  
print(str.replace("a", "c"))
```

cbcde

```
str = "abcde"  
print(str.replace("abc", "a"))
```

ade

String Functions

Note: calling a string function on a blank line will not do anything to the string. This is because the upper function does **not modify the original string**. Rather, it **modifies a copy** of the original string.

```
str = "abcde"  
str.upper()  
print(str)
```

Nothing
changes



abcde

To avoid this, you can do either of the following:

```
str = "abcde"  
str = str.upper()  
print(str)
```

```
str = "abcde"  
print(str.upper())
```

String Functions Activity

Write a program that takes in the following strings:

- Name string (just first name) → capitalize the first letter
- Scream string → append “!!!” at the end and capitalize all letters
- Whisper string → append “...” at the beginning and at the end and make all letters lowercase
- O string → replace all instances of “O” and “o” with the zero digit

```
What's your name? c0deUP
Enter something to be screamed: i l0ve c0dIng
Enter something to be whispered: MY PASSWORD IS 123456
Enter something with a bunch of 0's and o's: 00H, an orange moon!
Hello, Codeup
I LOVE CODING!!!
...my password is 123456...
00H, an 0range m00n!
```

Solution

For the O string, simply run the replace function twice. Once for uppercase O, once for lowercase o.

```
name = input("What's your name? ")
scream = input("Enter something to be screamed: ")
whisper = input("Enter something to be whispered: ")
o = input("Enter something with a bunch of 0's and o's: ")
o = o.replace("O", "0")
o = o.replace("o", "0")

print("Hello, " + name.capitalize())
print(scream.upper() + "!!!")
print("..." + whisper.lower() + "...")
print(o)
```

Indexing

- To access individual characters within a string, we can do something called indexing
- In code, indices start at **0** and end at **$N - 1$** , inclusive, where N is the size of the string
 - **Note:** the first element is at index 0, not index 1

Index	0	1	2	3	4	5
Character	C	o	d	e	U	p

- Example: `print(str[0])` will print “C”, as that is the first character

If we want to print “p”, why will `print(str[6])` result in an error?

Indexing Activity

Write a program that takes in three words as input. Then, create a secret code using the following format:

2nd letter of str1 + 5th letter of str2 + 3rd letter of str3

Please ensure that your inputs meet the minimum length requirement, otherwise there will be an error!

```
Enter Word 1 (min. 2 characters): Up
Enter Word 2 (min. 5 characters): Coding
Enter Word 3 (min. 3 characters): Code
The secret code is: pnd
```

Solution

Remember to subtract 1 from the character's position when indexing (ie. 2nd character becomes index 1, 5th character becomes index 4, 3rd character becomes index 2)

```
str1 = input("Enter Word 1 (min. 2 characters): ")
str2 = input("Enter Word 2 (min. 5 characters): ")
str3 = input("Enter Word 3 (min. 3 characters): ")
print("The secret code is: " + str1[1] + str2[4] + str3[2])
```


Range Indexing

- Python also supports range indexing, where you can extract a substring (smaller string) from the string

```
str = "Apple"  
print(str[0:3])
```

Start index
(inclusive)

End index
(exclusive)

Note: if you put indices that are out of range, it will simply print nothing (the code will **not** return an error)

Result:

App

Range Indexing Activity

Write a program that takes in a line of input. This can be as long as you would like it to be. Then print the line, but only print the first 20 characters.

```
Enter a sentence: this is an extremely long sentence  
this is an extremely
```

Solution

You can simply do `[0:substring_length]`

```
str = input("Enter a sentence: ")  
print(str[0:20])
```

String Splicing

- `str[:i]` - prints everything up to index `i` (exclusive)
 - The program assumes that the number to the left of `:` is `0` if not specified
- `str[i:]` - prints everything starting from index `i` (inclusive) to the end of the string
 - The program assumes that the number to the right of `:` is `N - 1` if not specified
- `str[-i]` - prints the `i`-th last character of the string
- `str[::-1]` - prints the reverse of the string

Note: a general rule in Python is the first number of a range is **inclusive** and the second is **exclusive**

Practice

What will the following programs print?

```
str = "CodeUp"  
print(str[4:])
```

```
str = "CodeUp"  
print(str[::-1])
```

```
str = "CodeUp"  
print(str[-4])
```

Guided Activity: Full Name Capitalizer

This program allows you to enter your full name (first and last), and will capitalize them both.

The `str.split()` function uses lists, we will learn about them later! For now, just know that the function `split()` splits strings at spaces.

```
full = input("What's your full name? ")
spl = full.split(" ")
print("Hello, " + spl[0].capitalize() + " " + spl[1].capitalize())
```

```
What's your full name? coDe uP
Hello, Code Up
```

F-Strings

F-strings are a convenience feature, allowing you to *seamlessly* incorporate variables in strings.

ex

Instead of:

```
name = input()
string = "Hello " + name + "!"
```

You could do:

```
name = input()
string = f"Hello {name}!"
```

If you were to input John, both would give the same result: "Hello John!"

F-strings also avoids the need to typecast non-strings into strings

F-Strings

- Alternatively, you can directly format strings in a print statement instead of storing it in a variable
- When you want to create an f-string, put an “f” before you use quotes and any variables enclosed in curly-brace brackets: {}
 - `money = 10`
 - `print(f"I have {money} dollars")`

```
num = 10
print(f"{num} x 2 = {num * 2}")
```

- What will this print out?

F-Strings Activity

Modify your code from the previous activities to use f-string formatting instead of string concatenation

- String Functions Activity
- Indexing Activity
- Range Indexing Activity

Example Solution: String Functions Activity

```
name = input("What's your name? ")
scream = input("Enter something to be screamed: ")
whisper = input("Enter something to be whispered: ")
o = input("Enter something with a bunch of 0's and o's: ")
o = o.replace("0", "0")
o = o.replace("o", "0")

print(f"Hello, {name.capitalize()}")
print(f"{scream.upper()}!!!")
print(f"...{whisper.lower()}...")
print(f"{o}")
```

Print end=

The print statement by default adds a newline (creates a new line) to the end of the statement printed. Therefore, the ending by default is “\n” (newline)

However, you can change the ending by using the end parameter.

Ex.

```
print("Hello", end="")
```

- Prints the same statement but without the newline because the ending is set to "" → equivalent to nothing

This way no newline is created → the next output from the code will be written on the same line (in most cases).

Print end=

Here is a side by side comparison of three `print()` statements with different `end=` statements

```
print("Hello")  
print("World")
```

Hello
World

```
print("Hello", end="")  
print("World", end="")
```

HelloWorld

```
print("Hello", end="abc")  
print("World", end="abc")
```

HelloabcWorldabc

Print end= Activity

Write a program that takes in somebody's *first name, last name, and age* **next year**, then prints them both on one line **without** string concatenation or f-strings

Hint: you will need three `print()` statements

i.e.

Input:

John

Doe

27

Output:

John Doe 28

Solution

```
first = input()
last = input()
age = int(input())
print(first, end=" ")
print(last, end=" ")
print(str(age + 1))
```

Sentence Capitalizer

This program allows you to enter an entire sentence, and capitalizes only the first letter of each word.

We can use a for loop to loop the entire list (this contains all the individual words split by " "). We will learn more about loops next class.

```
sen = input("Type a sentence: ")
spl = sen.split(" ")
for word in spl:
    print(word.capitalize() + " ", end="")
```

```
Type a sentence: i love learning to code with CodeUp!
I Love Learning To Code With Codeup!
```

Homework

Write a program that will:

- Ask the user to input a string
- Select a random character in the string - call this the 'tumor'
- Tell the user what the tumor is, and remove all instances of the tumor in the string
- Print out the resulting word after the character has been removed
- Note: Make sure you don't select an index outside the string's bounds

```
Enter a string: abcdabcdabcd
The tumor is: c
All instances of the tumor have been removed.
Final output: abdabdabd
```