Intro to Coding

Class 3

Important Note

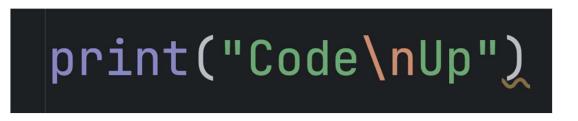
- **Do not delete your code** for the in-class activities. You will need it for a later activity!
 - You should still keep it after class as to have a reference for when you want to review
 - o Create a folder with all your python files so you can find them later!

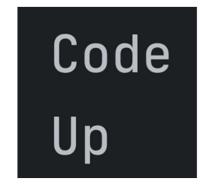
Strings Review

- A single variable that stores a text value (AKA it represents a word/sentence)
- Defined with quotation marks
 - o 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"?





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)"

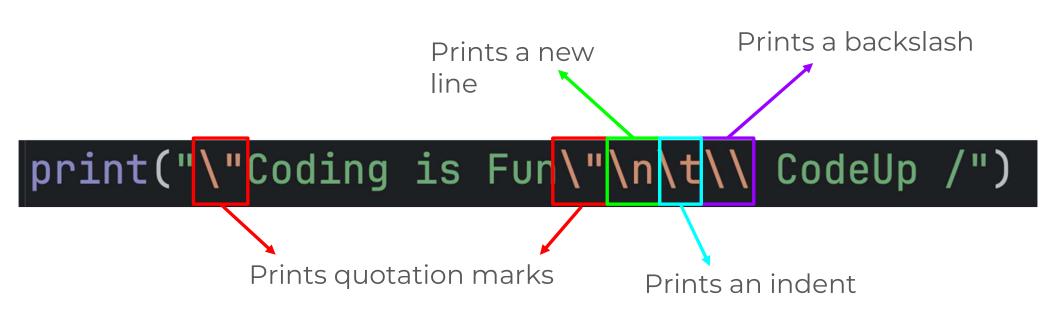
\ Your Name /

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

Example

"Coding is Fun" \ CodeUp /

Solution



Review: Concatenating Strings

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

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
 - o It's good practice to create only necessary variables for <u>cleaner code</u>

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

Hello, CodeUp!

Review: Concatenating Strings and Print Statements

- String concatenation follows the <u>same format</u> as integer addition
- Both of the following examples have the same resultant string!
 - o result = str1 + str2
 - o 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 <u>cleaner code!!</u>

```
name = "CodeUp"
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```

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

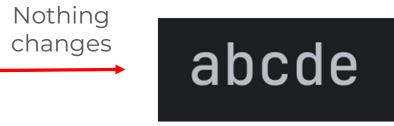
```
str = "abcde"
print(str.replace("a", "c"))

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

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)
```



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? <code>cOdeUP</code>
Enter something to be screamed: <code>i love codIng</code>
Enter something to be whispered: <code>MY PASSWORD IS 123456</code>
Enter something with a bunch of O's and o's: <code>OOH</code>, <code>an orange moon!</code>
Hello, Codeup
I LOVE CODING!!!
...my password is 123456...
OOH, an Orange moon!
```

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("0", "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	С	0	d	е	U	р

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

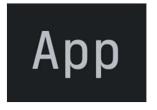


Start index (inclusive)

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:



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)
 - o 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* <u>incorporate</u> <u>variables in strings</u>.

```
<u>ex</u>
```

```
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 <u>newline</u> (creates a new line) to the end of the statement printed. Therefore, the ending by default is "\n" (newline)

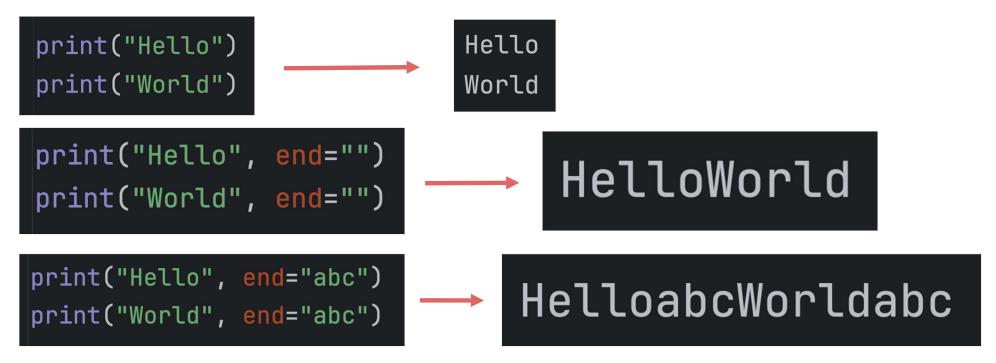
However, you can change the ending by using the end parameter.

 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 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: Output:

John John Doe 28

Doe

27

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 leαrning 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
```