



Day 1

08:39:21 PDT

Question: Hi. Could you send me the certainly start time?

Answer: we will start at 9 AM Pacific (about 20 mins from now)

08:40:01 PDT

Question: Hi, I downloaded visual studio 2013 express upd 3 and installed it. I also downloaded python tools for visual studio. When I try to install it, I got error that I do not have correct version of the visual studio. Any suggestion? thanks. vesko

Answer: Have you installed the most recent updates to Visual Studio, you will need that as well

08:40:38 PDT

Question: Did you know that the video say that "the event is now finished." ?

Answer: If you refresh does the video loop start to play?

08:41:01 PDT

Question: Hello from <http://panorama-blick.at/webcam/obervellach/> (Austria)

Answer: Wow!

08:41:06 PDT

Question: Will this session be available online after the presentation?

Answer: The presentation will be made available online afterwards about two weeks from now. You will get an email when the recordings are available

08:41:45 PDT

Question: If i dont have the required tools, would it be okay?

Answer: We'll go at a pace you'll be able to follow. Once we've got the recording on MVA you can come back and watch the parts you want to work through with the tools.

08:42:15 PDT

Question: Hi there. Good morning!

Answer: Hi mscardigno!

08:42:25 PDT

Question: Hi Its Amrit from India

Answer: Glad to see you today!

08:42:40 PDT

Question: Hi there, is it a must to use VS 2013 for python to work? Does VS 2010 support python?

Answer: You can use VS2012 (if you have professional or ultimate) if you are using express it has to be VS2013

08:42:40 PDT

Question: Hello Everyone!

Answer: Hi Bilal!

08:42:54 PDT

Question: WHEN IT WILL START

Answer: In about 20 minutes

08:44:05 PDT

Question: Hello I am using VS2013 express edition. Is it fine ?

Answer: As long as it's the desktop edition that should be just fine!



08:44:24 PDT

Question: r u all excited for the live session ?

Answer: We are!

08:44:30 PDT

Question: on my VS-2013 ultimate , tools are not installing

Answer: check to make sure you have the most recent updates to Visual Studio

08:44:49 PDT

Question: it is vs2013 (vs2013.3_winexp_ret_ENU)

Answer: If it's express it needs to be the Desktop Apps edition.

08:44:58 PDT

Question: I have VS 2013 Professional installed, do I need anything else?

Answer: You will need to install the Python tools.

08:46:18 PDT

Question: Do we need to prepare any programs for this session?

Answer: No, you'll be able to get a lot out of it just by following along.

08:47:32 PDT

Question: how much hour will be there??

Answer: You can get the details on the schedule tab, but we plan to go for 8 hours today. We'll take a break at noon Pacific time so everyone can get something to eat.

08:47:50 PDT

Question: good day from Finland

Answer: Great to see you Janisku7!

08:48:42 PDT

Question: Oh yeah! Installed Python sucessfully!

Answer: Woo hoo! Now the fun part starts!

08:48:47 PDT

Question: Hi. I can't get my second monitor to work. Will I be in trouble?

Answer: you can do this with one monitor

08:48:56 PDT

Question: Hello from central PA...very excited to learn about Python!

Answer: Glad you can join us today!

08:49:18 PDT

Question: hey Matt plz reply if VS 2013 student edition would work !

Answer: VS express will work, if you are a student and you downloaded thru dreamspark you are likely running vs Pro and that will work

08:49:22 PDT

Question: Maybe i'll be missing part of the tomorrow course because a businesses meeting, there is a way to record tomorrow class or acces a recorded one later?

Answer: We'll post the recordings to MVA in about 2 weeks. You will get an email when they are available.



08:49:53 PDT

Question: is this event worth my time if i know basics of Python? will you show magic that makes Visual Studio better than PyCharm?

Answer: If you already know Python I would suggest exploring the codeplex site that shows off the features of Python for Visual Studio (debugging with C++ and so on)

08:50:02 PDT

Question: Good Morning all from Issaquah, WA. This is my first time to join MVA, not sure how it works yet. Excited to participate in learning about Python.

Answer: Welcome, Vey!

08:51:40 PDT

Question: Morning from Ann Arbor, MI! This is my first MVA, can't wait to get started.

Answer: You picked a good one! Thanks for tuning in!

08:52:15 PDT

Question: Hello from Spain. The summer it's gone!!!

Answer: We are back to rain and short days here in Seattle.

08:52:29 PDT

Question: good day from Portugal

Answer: Hi Luis!

08:52:57 PDT

Question: this is my first live one but I have done a few of the ones that are on the website that were recorded

Answer: Now you'll be able to see what really happens 😊

08:53:25 PDT

Question: So why is this MVA so readily available???

Answer: We want to make it as easy as we can to use our technology.

08:53:44 PDT

Question: Hello all from Vancouver Canada

Answer: Hi David!

08:54:31 PDT

Question: Matt: here is raining too and winter is coming as some places get first snow already after summer

Answer: Your days are going to get really short!

08:54:41 PDT

Question: Hey Folks! This is Anto from bangalore INDIA

Answer: Hi Anto!

08:55:40 PDT

Question: Anyone knows away of how to record the event?

Answer: We make the recordings available on MVA. But there are some tools (like Camtasia) that are good at capturing video.

08:55:50 PDT

Question: Hello, this is Andy from US

Answer: Hi Andy!



08:55:57 PDT

Question: Hello from Malden, Mass, USA

Answer: Welcome!

08:56:11 PDT

Lance O. posted: Good morning from Chicago!

Answer: Da Bears!

08:56:19 PDT

Question: hi from Colombia

Answer: Bienvenido!

08:56:24 PDT

Question: Hi from Brighton UK

Answer: Hi Sharon!

08:56:49 PDT

Question: now I am getting excited

Answer: You should see Christopher! He's bouncing off the walls he's so excited.

08:57:23 PDT

Question: Good morning Guys, Thanks for bring up session on Python. I am new to Python and always had a passion to learn. Hope this will be good opportunity to start.

Answer: You can do a lot with Python!

08:57:40 PDT

Question: Hi, sorry Paul here from CHC New Zealand.

Answer: Great to see you!

08:57:48 PDT

Question: Hi From Johannesburg South Africa

Answer: Hi Bruce!

08:57:53 PDT

Question: what knowledge is required to fully understand this event?

Answer: You can take this event even if you have no previous coding experience

08:58:16 PDT

Question: Greetings from Malaysia! Midnight here!

Answer: Thanks for staying up late with us!

08:58:24 PDT

Question: Hi all!!

Answer: Hi Abhishek!

08:58:54 PDT

Question: Frankly, I'm just a novice in programming. Currently starting to learn C++ and self learning C# from MVA.

Answer: That sounds like jumping in with both feet. You won't be a novice for long!

08:59:09 PDT

Question: Hi. It's Piotr from Ireland. It's nice to be with you. Will you have a part devoted to TK and building user interface with Visual Studio?

Answer: HI Piotr we will be writing back end code not User interface in this MVA



08:59:19 PDT

Question: Hello everyone, i am having some stutters while playing the video, is it the net connection thats responsible?

Answer: Try switching to the lower bandwidth stream (hover over the lower left of the player)

08:59:27 PDT

Question: Hi Matt, I have no knowledge about Python, Is this the right place for me?

Answer: Yes

09:01:01 PDT

Question: i have visual ultimate and the python tools downloaded am i good to go

Answer: Yes, you are all set!

09:01:22 PDT

Question: I saw that this will be recorded... will you send us a link at the end. Thanks!

Answer: Yes you will be emailed a link to the recording when it is posted

09:01:29 PDT

Question: Will this session cover the basics for absolute beginners?

Answer: Yes

09:02:03 PDT

Question: The music reminds me of good old Roller Coaster Tycoon

Answer: LOL

09:02:17 PDT

Question: Hi from Norway

Answer: Hi Aldursill!

09:03:02 PDT

Question: do we need to install anything?

Answer: No, you will be able to follow along and get a lot out of today just by watching.

09:03:39 PDT

Question: lol C64. I first wrote basic on TRS-80 and C64

Answer: Me too!

09:04:19 PDT

Question: Hi, would this session recording be available in the MVA after these 2 days?

Answer: It takes us about 2 weeks to get the recording edited and published to MVA. You will get a mail when we have it there.

09:05:00 PDT

Question: hi i m new to this language so is this event right for me ?

Answer: Yes, we are targeting beginners today 😊

09:05:33 PDT

Question: you have no audio

Answer: If refreshing your browser does not work, please go to the Help tab so we can troubleshoot.



09:06:45 PDT

Question: I am very excited. Will these be recorded for later viewing?

Answer: Yes, you will get an email in about 2 weeks with a link to the recording on MVA

09:07:22 PDT

Question: Has the event already began?

Answer: Yes, if refreshing your browser doesn't bring up the stream, please go to the help tab and we can troubleshoot with you.

09:08:44 PDT

Question: Will it make me expert?

Answer: Only writing code can make you an expert, but we'll get you started down the path.

09:09:45 PDT

Question: Hi I am Sylvia from Malaysia

Answer: Hi Sylvia, Great to have you attending today! Enjoy

09:10:05 PDT

Question: do we get a certificate too?

Answer: We can only provide certificates for our recorded courses. But if you check the FAQ tab, there is a code you can use to get 50 MVA points.

09:10:11 PDT

Question: Hello everyone

Answer: Hi Timo -- welcome!

09:10:38 PDT

Question: Hi Susan, now is Day 1 or Day 2 session?

Answer: Hi Khoa, Today is day 1. Welcome!

09:11:03 PDT

Question: hello guys

Answer: Good morning! glad you could join!

09:11:23 PDT

Question: Good Morning Everyone

Answer: Hi Dustin -- hope you enjoy the event today. Glad you are here.

09:11:40 PDT

Question: hello friends

Answer: Hi Kiran -- Welcome!

09:11:58 PDT

Question: Hello I am looking forward to the presentation

Answer: Hi David -- Welcome!

09:13:36 PDT

Question: gooooooood day from Brazil!

Answer: Hello Maycon in Brazil!

09:13:48 PDT

Question: Hello there from India!

Answer: Hello Akarsh in India!



09:14:04 PDT

Question: Hello from Norway!

Answer: Hello Daniel from Norway!

09:14:35 PDT

Question: hello everyone

Answer: Hello Shalya -- Welcome

09:14:45 PDT

Question: This course will be till midnight for me. Is it possible to view the missed lessons later?

Answer: Yes, we will have the recording on MVA in about 2 weeks.

09:14:49 PDT

Question: Excited!

Answer: Me too!

09:14:57 PDT

Question: hi everyone

Answer: Welcome Jeff

09:15:13 PDT

Question: Hi all from Philadelphia

Answer: Hi Philadelphia

09:15:32 PDT

Question: How do we get credit for attending the event?

Answer: Check out the FAQ tab

09:15:43 PDT

Question: Good morning and good evening from Malaysia. Haha.

Answer: Hello Vincent in Malaysia

09:16:12 PDT

Question: I will not be able to attend after 3hrs as it's 21:30 here. I'm from India.

Answer: Check out the MicrosoftVirtualAcademy.com site in about 2 weeks for the ondemand videos.

09:16:26 PDT

Question: Same. First live MVA session.

Answer: Glad you are here Vincent!

09:16:41 PDT

Question: Will there be MVA credits for this? Do we need a code for it like sometimes?

Answer: The code for MVA points for this session is IntProgPython

09:16:45 PDT

Question: Hello eo

Answer: Hello Marco!

09:17:01 PDT

Question: Hello from Portugal

Answer: Welcome Nuno from Portugal!



09:17:17 PDT

Question: Good morning from Birmingham, AL, United States.

Answer: Good morning Joseph in Birmingham

09:17:31 PDT

Question: Hello everyone, from Pittsburgh, PA in the USA!

Answer: Hi Zachary in Pittsburgh

09:17:49 PDT

Question: Sunny and mild in SE UK

Answer: Hi David in Seattle -- it is sunny and mild here in Fargo too!

09:18:11 PDT

Question: Really looking forward to this! I've put off learning programming for years, time to stop procrastinating!

Answer: Hi Luis -- glad to have you here today!

09:18:21 PDT

Question: I'm excited to see how Visual Studio compares to PyCharm

Answer: Me too!

09:18:27 PDT

Question: hello

Answer: Hello Mila!

09:18:50 PDT

Question: Aliyu Garba From Nigeria say hi to all in the room.

Answer: Welcome Aliyu from Nigeria

09:19:05 PDT

Question: It is my first time in this type of courses. Im excited to start it! hehe

Answer: Glad you can join us Giancarlo

09:19:21 PDT

Question: Hello from San Diego!

Answer: Welcome Jim from San Diego

09:19:34 PDT

Question: Greetings from Detroit, MI! Same boat as Vey and Jeff; super excited for this session.

Answer: Glad you are here Jacky from Detroit

09:19:49 PDT

Question: Howdy from the deep south, Georgia

Answer: Hello Donovan in Georgia

09:20:10 PDT

Question: Hello everyone.

Answer: Hi Vincent -- glad you are here!

09:20:23 PDT

Question: Joining from Austin, TX super excited about today's session!

Answer: Welcome Scott B in Austin!



09:20:35 PDT

Question: where do you enter the voucher code? I don't see an option for redeeming a code at the link provided

Answer: Scroll about half way down the page on your MVA dashboard. There is a tab for "Redeem voucher"

09:21:25 PDT

Question: Can I watch this later because I am still installing Visual Studio and it is very slow

Answer: We will have the recording on MVA, but you'll be able to get a lot out of today by just watching.

09:21:43 PDT

Question: It was 72 degrees in Arizona, this morning. Finally, some cool weather.

Answer: Hi Larry Brown in Arizona -- 72 sounds gorgeous. We are close here in Fargo at 66 😊

09:21:53 PDT

Question: Hello and greetings

Answer: Hi Dave D! Welcome.

09:21:56 PDT

Question: Question: Why Python and not some other language? What makes Python different?

Answer: We'll get to that momentarily

09:22:06 PDT

Question: Will this be recorded and be available later to review?

Answer: It will be available in 2 weeks

09:22:12 PDT

Question: i am joining from india ! how you guys doing there ?

Answer: Hi Amit -- glad you are here!

09:22:52 PDT

Question: I am traditionally a VS programmer but been hearing about Python. Just completed a Ruby class.

Answer: Awesome!

09:22:53 PDT

Question: How can I get 50 point in MVA

Answer: Go to your MVA dashboard and use this code IntProgPython

09:22:55 PDT

Question: hi from Portugal. it's a rainy day Hi Anto

Answer: HI Polonia in Portugal. Maybe you will have rainbows later after your rainy day 😊

09:23:11 PDT

Question: Hei from Norway! PowerShell vs. Python: which one is better for to solve which problems?

Answer: It really depends. Python is a bit more flexible, PowerShell is more focused on administration.

09:23:20 PDT

Question: its really good microsoft idea about MVA

Answer: Glad you like MVAs Shamjeer!



09:23:34 PDT

Question: oh, and Hi from Tennessee

Answer: Hi Scott in Tennessee!

09:23:50 PDT

Question: Wouldn't this be better titled "Introduction to Programming, with Python"? (The comma being important)

Answer: 😊

09:23:57 PDT

Question: Hi from Bucharest , Romania! Thank you TEACHERS , MICROSOFT , MVA and Event Support Team for this LESSON!

Answer: Welcome Popa Dan in Bucharest, glad you can join us!

09:23:59 PDT

Question: Will all attendees receive an email when the recording of this training is available on the MVA site?

Answer: Yes 😊

09:24:08 PDT

Question: Hello from little Holley, NY

Answer: Hello Robert in Holley, NY

09:24:27 PDT

Question: Hi All, This is phani Kumar from Dubai

Answer: Hi Phani Kumar in Dubai

09:24:37 PDT

Question: will susan give the get hub URL again?

Answer: You can download their slides from the FAQ tab. The URL should be in there.

09:24:50 PDT

Question: Howdy Folks!

Answer: Howdy!

09:24:59 PDT

Question: Since modern languages are based on, and support, object orientated models are you going to cover OOP using Python? Even novice programmers need to start thinking OOP, rather than procedural my advice would be to expose new programmers to this new paradigm.

Answer: We won't have time to get OOP

09:25:03 PDT

Question: Hello from Columbus Ohio

Answer: Hello Shawn in Columbus!

09:25:16 PDT

Question: Hi Everyone

Answer: Hi Nabeel Akhtar!

09:25:33 PDT

Question: Hi This is Richard from Cambridge UK

Answer: Hi Richard in Cambridge UK -- Welcome!



09:25:44 PDT

Question: Hi.. from Utah

Answer: Hi Mila from Utah 😊

09:25:58 PDT

Question: hi from Slovakia

Answer: Hi Lubomir from Slovakia!

09:26:08 PDT

Question: Could you re-type the MVA Voucher Code?

Answer: You can find it on the FAQ tab, but it is IntProgPython 😊

09:26:11 PDT

Question: Hi everyone.

Answer: Welcome Gani Padela!

09:26:24 PDT

Question: Hello, from California

Answer: Hello Tony from California!

09:26:38 PDT

Question: Is this session going to gobble all my bandwidth

Answer: Try using the "Standard Quality" stream. That will be a little easier on your bandwidth

09:26:39 PDT

Question: Hi from Detroit.

Answer: Hi Glenn from Detroit -- glad you could join.

09:26:53 PDT

Question: Hi everyone.

Answer: Hi Gani! Welcome

09:27:14 PDT

Question: What was the url for the MVA point redemption?

Answer: You can enter the code on your MVA dashboard.

09:27:23 PDT

Question: Hello from Montreal

Answer: Hi Christian from Montreal

09:27:41 PDT

Question: Hello from Singapore

Answer: Welcome Shailee from Singapore

09:27:59 PDT

Question: is this session will available for recording

[[REPLY:] Hi Suraj, yes, check out the FAQ tab for more information!

09:28:22 PDT

Question: Is this session being recorded?

Answer: Hi Nitheesh - yes it is being recorded. Check out the FAQ tab for more information.



09:28:52 PDT

Question: Will there be short breaks in the next 8 hours?

Answer: Hi RL, Yes, we will take 10 minute breaks between each module and a meal break around noon PDT

09:29:03 PDT

Question: Hello !

Answer: Hi Dejan -- Welcome

09:29:24 PDT

Question: I won't be able to catch the last 2 hrs of the day.

Answer: Make sure to check on the on demand recording. See the FAQ tab for more information.

09:29:39 PDT

Question: btw: Hi from Germany

Answer: Hi Pierre from Germany!

09:30:07 PDT

Question: Hello from Mexico City

Answer: Hi Jose in Mexico City!

09:30:30 PDT

Question: Hi everyone

Answer: Hi Robin -- welcome

09:30:59 PDT

Question: Hullo from Indianapolis, Indiana

Answer: Welcome Tharnid from Indianapolis!

09:31:17 PDT

Question: Hi, this is Indra from Barcelona, ES

Answer: Glad you can join us Indra from Barcelona

09:31:41 PDT

Question: This jumpDTart is totally lively! The previous jumpDTarts speakers were quite boring. Keep it up Susan & Christopher! I don't get bored listening, hope other speakers/presenters be as lively as they are.

Answer: Be sure to check out Jerry and Daren next week covering Universal Apps with C# and XAML They are a blast <http://www.microsoftvirtualacademy.com/liveevents/developing-universal-windows-apps-c-xaml-jump-start>

09:32:48 PDT

Question: Hi is the course started?

Answer: Hi Srinu -- yes the session has begun 😊

09:33:21 PDT

Question: hi all of you

Answer: Hi Uday, Welcome

09:34:31 PDT

Question: I was late joining. Don't have any audio/video. Is it running?

Answer: Hi Arley -- yes it is running.



09:38:41 PDT

Question: visual studio express 2013 for web is ok? need answer

Answer: You'll want Desktop

09:38:48 PDT

Question: so you can fork from github

Answer: Absolutely!

09:41:05 PDT

Question: Sunny regards from Edmonton, Canada.

Answer: Good morning!

09:41:12 PDT

Question: will you talk about wpf applications?

Answer: Sorry, we won't.

09:42:05 PDT

Question: what version of python we need to install ?

Answer: We're using version 3.4

09:42:15 PDT

Question: am I able to join this if I am on a mac?

Answer: You'll need a different tool

09:43:02 PDT

Question: can i have the Github url for the repos

Answer: <http://aka.ms/intropythoncode>

09:50:27 PDT

Question: Is there some Write-Verbose (PowerShell) similar command?

Answer: Not really. There's a print.

09:51:03 PDT

Question: Will you also cover how to use different environments variables from some kind of a config file today(for example reading connectionstrings for dev, prod environment)?

Answer: That's a bit beyond the scope

09:54:25 PDT

Question: I CODED! I'M A CODER!

Answer: That's awesome!!

09:54:56 PDT

Question: missed the first 30 minutes any way to "rewind" and go to start?

Answer: Alas no, but it'll be available in 2 weeks

09:55:29 PDT

Question: I do not have VS 2013 downloaded. is there anything else I can do for today's code?

Answer: There are a lot of Python tools available.



09:56:18 PDT

Question: He just said the you hit the download link and you have everything you need. I do not think this is correct. I do not see the Visual Studio and Python add ins there. If you could post download.microsoft.com/<path to version of visual studio> and download.microsoft.com/<path to Python add in for Visual Studio> we would not be lost and asking you the same questions over and over. I realize you believe you are communicating clearly with us and providing us the information we seek, but you're not.

Answer: Sorry - small miscommunication there. The link will give you all of our files. You will need to download Visual Studio and the tools separately.

09:57:30 PDT

Question: I'm Microsoft ex-employee ha ha

Answer: you can download the installation instructions from the github link above and choosing download zip or go to <http://pytools.codeplex.com/> and follow the install instructions

09:57:59 PDT

Question: hi there! i missed the part where the compilation took place, could you tell me how u compiled d code?

Answer: to compile and run the code either hit the F5 key or hit the play button in the toolbar

09:58:44 PDT

Question: where can we download visual studio and tools ?

Answer: If you go to the github URL we posted in the Q&A earlier you can click DOWnload Zip and in there you will find installation instructions with links

09:59:09 PDT

Question: what kind of project was Hello World?

Answer: The project type we selected was Python Application

09:59:42 PDT

Question: does anyone have any tips for how I can get set up using a mac - any help whatsoever would be much appreciated

Answer: You could try using the tool Idle I believe that works on a Mac

10:00:35 PDT

Question: AOA. I am ARK from Pakistan.

Answer: Hi Ark from Pakistan

10:00:43 PDT

Question: how to create a initial project?

Answer: File - New project - python - python application

10:00:48 PDT

Question: hello all

Answer: Hi Michael -- welcome!

10:01:03 PDT

Question: Hey guys. James from Uganda

Answer: Hi James from Uganda!

10:01:22 PDT

Question: Hi.

Answer: Hi David -- welcome!



10:01:24 PDT

Question: hi, which build of python tolls should we use?

Answer: Use the most recent build of the Python Tools fo Visual Studio

10:01:33 PDT

Question: Hi guys

Answer: Hi Elmer! Glad you are here!

10:01:54 PDT

Question: Hello All

Answer: Hi Ram -- welcome!

10:02:40 PDT

Question: Can I get a copy of this training?

Answer: Hi Tyrone, the recording will be online in about two weeks. See the FAQ tab for more information.

10:09:33 PDT

Question: Hello all!... I can't find Python 3.4 interpreter for download. I've already installed VS 2013 and Python 3.4.1 Windows. Do I need to install Python 3.4 interpreter?

Answer: You do

10:10:43 PDT

Question: can someone please tell me where i can download Python 3.4 interpreter

Answer: You can download it here: <https://www.python.org/ftp/python/3.4.1/python-3.4.1.msi>

10:10:59 PDT

Question: Do you cover pointers and arrays on today's lesson?

Answer: We'll talk about lists. We won't dig into pointers and the like.

10:16:14 PDT

Question: nevermind

Answer: Yeah, the link is just a bit further down from there.

10:16:41 PDT

Question: Do I need Azure for any of this because I am prompted to connect to Azure

Answer: You don't. Visual Studio will allow you to connect to Azure, but it's not required.

10:18:35 PDT

Question: Triple quotes are cool! Even this old programmer has learned something new!

Answer: Awesome!

10:19:26 PDT

Question: What about two quotes in a row?

Answer: It'd be \"

10:19:34 PDT

Question: What does '\n' mean?

Answer: \n is a new line

10:25:12 PDT

Question: I feel like you didn't expect that to work, Chris

Answer: I will always admit when something surprises me. That didn't. 😊



10:28:27 PDT

Question: will we cover connection strings or connections to sql?

Answer: We won't do database stuff.

10:34:23 PDT

Question: If not database stuff, I'm sure there will be file IO.

Answer: There will be

10:37:28 PDT

Question: Wish I could rewind....

Answer: It is all recorded and you will get an email when the recordings are posted so you can rewind then 😊

10:37:46 PDT

Question: minor VS question - how to enable the autocomplete (Intellisense?) for the Python syntax in VS 2012? (if that's an easy one)

Answer: We will talk about intellisense in the next module

10:38:09 PDT

Question: what was that poem again

Answer: You can download the list of all the challenges from the github in the office folder

10:39:17 PDT

Question: I just got my Visual Studio 2013 installed and it asked for a programmer license. Where is this located or how should I provide the license?

Answer: You need to log in with a Microsoft account (Live, Passport, Outlook, Hotmail, etc.)

10:39:34 PDT

Question: it seems u guys having fun while doing this live event. good way to go !

Answer: We certainly try!

10:39:47 PDT

Question: Can I watch this event another time? and how?

Answer: It'll be available in two weeks. You should receive an email.

10:42:04 PDT

Question: I am sorry guys, but I can't get python to run on VS 13

Answer: have you got the most recent updates applied?

10:42:46 PDT

Question: could you please list all of softwares which we need to install for using visual python on windows?

Answer: You can find the instructions to install it

here <https://pytools.codeplex.com/wikipage?title=PTVS%20Installation>

10:47:31 PDT

Question: My intelisense says the my compilation DB need to be updated, what does that mean?

Answer: That just means there is a file that is read for intellisense that has been updated and you may want to update it

10:50:38 PDT

Question: can we use raw_input()...???

Answer: raw_input is just from a different version of Python



10:51:49 PDT

Question: hi. vmm here. Joined late. Downloading VS bring me to the online VS version. COuld I install Python there? I suppose not

Answer: NO you need VS desktop, express 2013 will work

10:53:03 PDT

Question: Does normal casing apply when programming in Python?

Answer: we will get to that too 😊

10:53:24 PDT

Question: Does normal casing apply when programming in Python?

Answer: we will get to that 😊

10:54:49 PDT

Question: Is the session being recorded? I missed the first part and I would like to see it later if possible.

Answer: yes this is being recorded, you will get and email when it is available

10:55:10 PDT

Question: You might want to mention that Python is case sensitive "input" works. "Input" throws an exception

Answer: yup! we have that in opur find the error review

10:56:45 PDT

Question: in the recorded session will we be able to "jump" to the sessions we've missed?

Answer: Yes

10:57:20 PDT

Question: planning on doing lot of programming in C# .. can i migrate to Python?? i know u r going to discuss a lottt.. but does Python Links to SQL etc? Just say yes its pretty easy compared to other programming languages

Answer: Yes Python can talk to SQL

10:57:54 PDT

Question: it's 23:26 in India, Guys...

Answer: You are a trooper!

11:45:02 PDT

Question: I have a question, my professor before told us in order to understand programming more we were supposed to use notepad and manually type in cmd to compile the code. Isn't using something that has like IntelliSense is better to understand programming? Just asking

Answer: It can help, but it's like learning to do math without a calculator first.

11:45:03 PDT

Question: so if I make a find world in Hello world world ? how would that work ?

Answer: try it 😊

11:45:18 PDT

Question: My intellisense isn't working. I get <no completions>. What's wrong?

Answer: If it's still not working, try a recode.



11:45:26 PDT

Question: I try uses this `country = input("get").upper()` and it works. This is great.

Answer: Yes you can nest and combine functions

11:45:31 PDT

Question: Can you use python for cryptography???

Answer: You could!

11:45:49 PDT

Question: Syntax question: Why do you have spaces before and after the '='? The code works without the spaces, is it to make the code more "airy" and easy to read?

Answer: personal preference it doesn't matter if you put spaces around the = sign. Do what you prefer

11:46:14 PDT

Question: Doesn't what Susan is calling a function actually a method in Python. It may be confusing when you read Python docs?

Answer: Functions and methods are generally interchangeable terms.

11:46:52 PDT

Question: pbj in a box, what a mess!!!!!!!

Answer: 😊

11:47:11 PDT

Question: can you explain the period . in the `upper()` `lower()` function

Answer: The dot is how you indicate that you want to run a method/function on a variable

11:47:31 PDT

Question: can we do `name=input('what is your name?').uppercase()`

Answer: You can. But it is often easier to break things down into smaller chunks.

11:48:14 PDT

Question: how do i comment multiple lines ... do I need to add # for all the line? print

Answer: You can sort of game the system with strings and the like, but I find it easier and more readable to do it on a line by line basis.

11:48:30 PDT

Question: Is there a placeholders like in c# "Hello {0}", Susan

Answer: Not out of the box

11:49:38 PDT

Question: Hi, my q. is actually related to the livecast. Will it be available for download ?? if I want to see it later..

Answer: It'll be available in two weeks.

11:51:54 PDT

Question: DOB in the hospital example might be hard for new coder to understand as well. Since customers have different lingo than the coders who support them.

Answer: Always the problem with doing abbreviations.

11:52:10 PDT

Question: Would it make sense to make a variable called SP to hold a space and then you could do `FirstName + SP + LastName`

Answer: It certainly can. Multiple ways to tackle the problem.



11:52:41 PDT

Question: How about: 'Hello %s' % 'Susan' That is a placeholder.

Answer: There are lots of ways to format strings. My brain saw {0} and just went to C#. 😊

11:53:07 PDT

Question: Do you get to build an executable file when you program with python?

Answer: Python does not create an executable it is what we call an interpreted language. That's why you need the interpreter installed on your PC so it can translate the Python code into machine language

11:53:08 PDT

Question: Do you get to build an executable file when you program with python or does it always have to be ran with a python interpreter?

Answer: Generally an interpreter. There may be tools out there that will allow you to take Python and compile it.

11:53:33 PDT

Question: After I learned Python Basic what should I do then?

Answer: that depends what you want to do 😊 You could continue in Python maybe learn Object oriented programming concepts

11:56:31 PDT

Question: Can we develop GUI Apps using Python as we do in C#.NET or does it require any other external libraries?

Answer: You'd need libraries

11:56:36 PDT

Question: I have to admit to a little bit of Flash mob/crowd #dancing right now !!!!!

Answer: Love it!

11:57:52 PDT

Question: What's the point of Python if you can't run it as a standalone program?

Answer: It's an easy language to program in, so it's great for automation.

11:58:09 PDT

Question: So does the PTVS provide it by default or need to search and add them in the VS?

Answer: You need to install them.

11:58:29 PDT

Question: Unable to execute print ('hello world') in VS. "Object reference not set to an instance of an object."

Answer: Make sure you have the interpreter installed.

12:00:18 PDT

Question: what was the name of the presentation tool Chris?

Answer: ZoomIt

12:00:44 PDT

Question: Lovely to see & hear all those Clean Code Developer recommendations and practices in an introduction for new developers.

Answer: It's all about fundamentals.



12:03:02 PDT

Question: Can't we simply use a counter for every other line ?

Answer: Using the Modulo can be easier when you need to swap color for the next 5, and then a new color for the next 5, and then ...

12:07:22 PDT

Question: Does taking this Microsoft Academy class qualify me for a student version of Visual Studio?

Answer: If you're a student you should check out DreamSpark

12:07:33 PDT

Question: Please (Parathesis) Excuse (Exponents) My (Multiplication) Dear (Division) Aunt (Addition) Sally (Subtraction)

Answer: That's it!! 😊

12:08:40 PDT

Question: i cant attend your visual session.will i be able to get a video for this session

Answer: It'll be available in two weeks.

12:09:41 PDT

Question: Where are all the Monty Python references?!

Answer: There will be plenty, I promise. 😊

12:11:07 PDT

Question: will str(area) help??

Answer: You could do that.

12:11:15 PDT

Question: thank you a lot mr christopher i'm all time watch your courses

Answer: 😊 Thank you.

12:13:57 PDT

Question: can i get all videos about this course please?

Answer: <http://aka.ms/introprog-python>

12:15:48 PDT

Question: can we pull from github to our desktop?

Answer: You can. There are tools that will allow you to do that, but the easiest thing to do is to download the zip file

12:16:12 PDT

Question: Something that comes up "frequently" but not "often"? lol

Answer: I'm going with it. 😊

12:17:30 PDT

Question: can we run python program on linux, written in VS2013?

Answer: Absolutely!

12:19:16 PDT

Question: print('I have %d cats ' % 6) GIVES ME AN ERROR

Answer: It needs to be done as a variable.



12:21:36 PDT

Question: GUI Apps will also run in GNU/Linux ? Or only text mode app's ?

Answer: That'll depend on the libraries and interpreters.

12:24:20 PDT

Question: does the programs written with python in vs2013 run the same way on windows as well as Linux. I mean same file runs on both oses ?

Answer: If the interpreters are the same or compatible it will.

12:27:55 PDT

Question: how do you guys know all this stuff????????????

Answer: Practice. Honestly - practice.

12:30:53 PDT

Question: @christopher what do you practice C# ,MVC, Bootstrap or Python??

Answer: All of the above. 😊

12:31:02 PDT

Question: this is fabulous

Answer: Thanks!

12:31:33 PDT

Question: What does format function doing? sort numbers?

Answer: It formats the numbers, putting them into the string.

12:32:29 PDT

Question: Thank you for showing the .format

Answer: You're welcome!

12:32:50 PDT

Question: Close the string before slash and put slash?

Answer: You just need to put in a + as well

12:33:00 PDT

Question: This whole MVA is awesome.. You guys should do more of this on advanced MVC topics!

Answer: 😊 Thanks!

12:33:52 PDT

Question: How does Python differentiate between \ for a line continuation... and / for division?

Answer: The / is for division.

12:33:58 PDT

Question: Totally agree - you guys are rocking it

Answer: Thanks!

12:34:55 PDT

Question: Does it work with the triple quotes to use the continuation line ()?

Answer: You could have done that as well

12:35:05 PDT

Question: is there any videos of c# and bootstrap by christopher?

Answer: I have a Bootstrap one



12:35:13 PDT

Question: Agreed. One of the best MVA sessions I've attended.

Answer: 😊 Thank you!

12:35:23 PDT

Question: What if you want input from the user for width and height, are you covering conversion syntax later?

Answer: We're doing that right now. 😊

12:35:32 PDT

Question: Chris are you from NH?

Answer: I'm from all over. I bounced around a lot.

12:36:29 PDT

Question: is there anything coming up with Dojo?

Answer: Not yet...

12:36:52 PDT

Question: you sound like Seth Myers

Answer: Ha!

12:37:19 PDT

Question: can you please give me a link of your bootstrap videos?

Answer: <http://www.microsoftvirtualacademy.com/training-courses/building-responsive-ui-with-bootstrap>

12:37:35 PDT

Question: This isn't like this in real life about bonus.

Answer: Ha! But it would be nice.

12:38:04 PDT

Question: Set as startup mean set as a default?

Answer: Exactly

12:39:20 PDT

Question: first time on this.I miss 30min.and actual know what you guys are teaching,well done!!

Answer: Thanks!!

12:39:34 PDT

Question: python can work on vs 2013 ultimate

Answer: Absolutely!

12:39:39 PDT

Question: i would like to see this maths in my job

Answer: Wouldn't that be nice?

12:41:46 PDT

Question: That result just awesome

Answer: Isn't it?



12:43:50 PDT

Question: come Chris type in more bonus, it might come true

Answer: I could use a bigger bonus. 😊

12:45:02 PDT

Question: How is that happen; you are talking and writing? Suspicious.

Answer: I promise this is live. 😊

12:45:10 PDT

Question: what about casting ?!

Answer: That's what this is

12:53:12 PDT

Question: can you write like salary=float(input("What is your salary?"))

Answer: That's a great question and you could. That's a matter of personal preference and what you think is most readable.

12:53:16 PDT

Question: Would this work? salary = float(input("what is your salary?"))

Answer: That's a great question and you could. That's a matter of personal preference and what you think is most readable.

12:53:57 PDT

Question: please ask presenters to slow down with examples , so we have time to type them in. Thanks

Answer: You can retrieve the code from here: <http://aka.ms/intropythoncode>

12:54:05 PDT

Question: I'll have breakfast then

Answer: Enjoy breakfast!

12:56:22 PDT

Question: Are guys covering ".split()"? today?

Answer: can't cover split until we do lists 😊

12:57:13 PDT

Question: Should the conversion be done better at the assignments to salary / bonus. Because in this case a String is stored instead of a float?

Answer: you can absolutely do the conversion when you assign the value to the variable

13:03:14 PDT

Question: The question for me is "What will I store" and I don't want to store a string entered by the user, when I will calculate later with a float/integer, from that point of view I think it is clearer for others when the assignment is done to the salary and bonus.

Answer: that makes complete sense, it really is personal preference, some people like to do it separately, both work

13:05:01 PDT

Question: I was unable to download Visual Studio Express, Python Tools for Visual Studio Express and DreamSpark prior to the commencement of the course. Is it possible to download these applications now or after the course?Thanks.Andrew

Answer: you can download the tools whenever you get a chance. You can find installation instructions on the github or at <https://pytools.codeplex.com> under the installation tab



13:05:43 PDT

Question: please how can we get the video of the presentation_

Answer: Video will be posted in about two weeks, you will get an email when it is available

13:10:19 PDT

Question: I'm just trying the task, and I can't use a british £ sign in the text. works with out the symbol but not with.....

Answer: to deal with international characters and symbols you usually need extra functionality from a library, in this case look up the locale module for python

13:11:13 PDT

Question: I got lost on how to use the solution explorer to have more than one Solution saved within a solution to work on at one time.

Answer: No worries, you can start a new solution if you need to, and just close and open solutions as you work on them. You don't have to do multiple files in a solution at this point

13:11:48 PDT

Question: what is the voucher code for t his MBA?

Answer: You can find the voucher code in the FAQ or in the rotating break slides

13:20:39 PDT

Question: are we at lunch? my connection went out for a bit

Answer: yes on meal break right now

13:22:51 PDT

Question: How long till you come back on again?

Answer: just over 15 minutes from this message being posted

13:42:27 PDT

Question: how do you add a module to python?

Answer: use the import statement, we will see that soon

13:42:28 PDT

Question: I missed the entire course, am I right? At what point of the course did you get?

Answer: We're just finishing up eating and will be starting again shortly.

13:43:01 PDT

Question: so I get the right answer with the sum even though I don't do a float(age) + float(weight)

Answer: Great example of more than way to solve a problem!

13:43:28 PDT

Question: so Susan whats for lunch? Pizza and Soda pop? Is Bill buying?

Answer: Caesar wrap & chips 🍕

13:44:59 PDT

Question: Not working. Installed from links on the document at Git. VS loads fine but python part does not?. Incorrect version of VS keeps killing the install.

Answer: Do you have VS2013 with the most recent updates applied?

13:47:08 PDT

Question: Susan: I take it you're an Ottawa girl?

Answer: yup!



13:47:14 PDT

Question: Susan: I take it you're an Ottawa girl?

Answer: Go Sens Go!

13:48:30 PDT

Question: I really want to thank u guys again !!

Answer: 🙏

13:48:48 PDT

Question: on my vs2013 where yours is showing print in blue mine doesnt it shows it in black

Answer: They made a few color changes in a recent update

13:50:15 PDT

Question: what is print ? identifier?

Answer: print is a command

13:50:26 PDT

Question: or a function?

Answer: yes a function

13:51:42 PDT

Question: It is almost 23h here in Europe. Energy level is not that high, sorry. But we have fun with the course.

Answer: you are a trooper!

13:53:23 PDT

Question: Hello, I'm quite late. Just joining. Hope I did not miss all the good stuff...

Answer: it is all going to be available online later so you can go back later

13:54:54 PDT

Question: Import datetime?

Answer: yep, it's a library

13:56:59 PDT

Question: when do you need to use a dot (.)?

Answer: when you are accessing a function that is inside a module

13:57:46 PDT

Question: can you change the format of the date?

Answer: coming...

13:58:26 PDT

Question: today work as variable too...work to me

Answer: good to know, it's reserved in some languages but not Python apparently 🙏

14:09:22 PDT

Question: mmm whats again the reason that i cant see IntelliSense on currentDate?

Answer: it's because Python doesn't know it is going to contain a date value until you run the code



14:10:34 PDT

Question: oh ok. so how should i know the possible properties then ? is there any "trick"?

Answer: bing search for python date functions

14:11:35 PDT

Question: does the strftime function formats dates to string ?

Answer: yes

14:11:49 PDT

Question: Are Python lib cross platform?

Answer: yes

14:12:07 PDT

Question: I get "EOL while scanning string literal"

Answer: you have a typing mistake somewhere most likely

14:13:43 PDT

Question: what percentage of coding is just fiddling around with the code and looking things up?

Answer: that depends on how much you have practiced and whether you are trying to do something you haven't done before

14:16:08 PDT

Question: I just arrived because I was at school... can i watch the complete course later?

Answer: yes it will b eposted later

14:16:46 PDT

Question: what was the % for the year again he went to fast for me

Answer: %Y

14:17:26 PDT

Question: So we would only need to deal with localization if we need to deal with a second locale?

Answer: It will default to the locale of the machine where it is running

14:18:31 PDT

Question: how did u get the year format 2 just 2 digits?

Answer: %y vs %Y

14:18:37 PDT

Question: Default localization matches the Windows installation, right?

Answer: yes

14:19:05 PDT

Question: Does Python have a "help" like PowerShell's "Get-Help" documentation?

Answer: not that I know of

14:19:40 PDT

Question: if you use someones code off of github in your program, do you need to credit them in your comments?

Answer: I thin kthat is a courtesy, but it depends on hwo the code was licensed...so that varies

14:19:59 PDT

Question: f for fetch and p for put?

Answer: that's one way to remember it



14:22:37 PDT

Question: I thought %m was minute, and %b was month?

Answer: it's the opposite

14:22:58 PDT

Question: that is why you should prompt the user with a format to follow

Answer: You got it!!!

14:25:47 PDT

Question: not 'y'

Answer: %y is two digit year, %Y is 4 digit year

14:27:28 PDT

Question: how come strftime not working on my machine?

Answer: did you import the datetime library?

14:28:27 PDT

Question: I'll have to check the recording when it comes out, but I swear I saw you guys use %b for month at the beginning of the datetime segment, saying it's because %m is for minute

Answer: doh! you are right %b is month and %m is minute sorry multitasking!

14:28:33 PDT

Question: Glad to know someone else had the problem of working out the difference between 2 dates... leap years were a pain!!!

Answer: oh yeah!

14:29:58 PDT

Question: not yet. how to import it?

Answer: add the command import datetime at the top of your code

14:30:35 PDT

Question: You are using %m for month right now

Answer: its possible I have a typing mistake on the slide

14:32:41 PDT

Question: i'm confused!

Answer: strftime.org has a complete list of all the formatting choices

14:33:03 PDT

Question: oh yeah I did the import datetime on top but still not working. even I copied the example in the slide and still giving an error

Answer: there is likely a typing mistake somewhere..

14:33:16 PDT

Question: when does the "next day" happen at midnight? Or at midnight plus one second? midnight plus one minute?

Answer: I am not sure, try it!

14:40:08 PDT

Question: You forgot to include the module

Answer: It was the same code. Just had a typo. 😊



14:43:44 PDT

Question: Visual studio 2010 Express Edition is ok?

Answer: no you have to have Visual Studio 2013 express and the most recent updates applied

14:44:56 PDT

Question: Can Python application be distributed as a standalone app e.g. in .exe form?

Answer: It uses an interpreter.

14:45:06 PDT

Question: Great job guys! Very very informative! I'm enjoying this

Answer: Thank you!

14:45:34 PDT

Question: Hello Susan, what command I need use for connect to SQL Server Database, using Python program?

Answer: search for pymssql

14:45:51 PDT

Question: Could you please leave the code up for a little longer. You are executing so quickly, i can't even type in the examples

Answer: We'll pay attention to that! You can also access the samples here: <http://aka.ms/intropythoncode>

14:46:00 PDT

Question: Could you please leave the code up for a little longer. You are executing so quickly, i can't even type in the examples

Answer: sorry about that! all this is recorded, so when it is posted you will be able to pause and rewind as needed!

14:46:10 PDT

Question: lol ahhh math!

Answer: LOL

14:47:06 PDT

Question: What is the type of monitor you guys are using? Is that touchscreen? How large is it?

Answer: it is touch screen - planar is the brand the size not sure...24 inch?

14:52:07 PDT

Question: Will you cover importing new modules within the Visual Studio IDE?

Answer: We'll see if we can sneak that in tomorrow.

14:52:58 PDT

Question: BTW, <http://aka.ms/MVA-Voucher> took me to my own MVA page. How to get the voucher for this course after that ?? (I'm new to MVA)

Answer: The code is IntProgPython. It's also on the FAQ

14:53:44 PDT

Question: Go Ducks!

Answer: Go Flyers! 🐤

14:54:52 PDT

Question: You can program a dinosaur to roar if the Rangers score a goal.

Answer: Ha!

14:59:56 PDT



Question: == a comparative operator = assignment operator

Answer: That's it!

15:01:56 PDT

Question: How about nested ifs ?

Answer: Hold short - we'll get there by the end of this module.

15:02:57 PDT

Question: In you banking example could you give the code some discretion, by randomly, waive the under \$1000 service fee to simulate human behaviour?

Answer: You could. You'd just have to build that in.

15:05:45 PDT

Question: But how do you handle the Else condition ??

Answer: We'll get there shortly

15:08:18 PDT

Question: Hi, Im on the other side of the world, didn't get up early to watch the event, will it be available in recordings after ?

Answer: It'll be available in two weeks

15:09:58 PDT

Question: So for Python IF statements, the indenting and : is the same as PowerShell's { } ... right?

Answer: Yup

15:13:43 PDT

Question: Can the input be case insensitive?

Answer: Not out of the box

15:13:54 PDT

Question: Whats the hotkey to add lines above the first line?

Answer: Just using the enter key

15:16:25 PDT

Question: exampleString.casefold()

Answer: There's a lot of conversion functions available.

15:17:16 PDT

Question: vim

Answer: Ha!

15:17:24 PDT

Question: if answer.casefold() == "yes" :

Answer: I like it!

15:17:55 PDT

Question: I work with a 20,000 line ASP Classic from done completely in negative logic...i understand the pain

Answer: Been there!

15:18:06 PDT

Question: Someone ask me a Question... Why not use Bang for !?

Answer: Multiple ways



15:18:10 PDT

Question: There's no such thing as a free toaster!

Answer: Or a free lunch

15:22:53 PDT

Question: Did the video stop?

Answer: Try to refresh your screen

15:23:35 PDT

Question: why int instead of float?

Answer: Because 100 is stored as an integer by default

15:23:58 PDT

Question: i get Sorry Why???????

Answer: Casing. Malady needs to be MALADY

15:24:07 PDT

Question: if you use 100.01 you need to use float

Answer: That's it!

15:24:18 PDT

Question: Office Space!

Answer: Don't forget your TPS report

15:26:31 PDT

Question: call it constructive laziness .. find the easiest way

Answer: Exactly!

15:26:58 PDT

Question: Christopher i still get Sorry though i have change the casing

Answer: You do!

15:34:00 PDT

Question: my interview answer for how do you describe yourself

Answer: I like it!!

15:34:22 PDT

Question: if then else is case sensitive?

Answer: Python is case sensitive

15:34:33 PDT

Question: if name.upper = "MALADY" : print ("hi" + name) else : print ("sorry")

Answer: Make sure you have name.upper()

15:43:38 PDT

Question: I keep having interruptions. What is the colon at the end of the line for?

Answer: the colon is just required syntax, Python needs it

15:44:18 PDT

Question: True / False with an upper case as boolean constants? Or reserved words?

Answer: True and False are reserved words, a Boolean variable is a variable that contains one of those values True or False



15:44:40 PDT

Question: I'd submitted a question earlier about "input" statement generating a 'NameError'. I figured it out & thought I'd share in case anyone else had the problem. Turns out that I have 2 versions of Python installed (because ArcGIS installs Python 2.7). Apparently user input is handled differently in the two versions. The solution was to change the version of Python VSE 2013 was using (it defaulted to the 1st version installed): Tools - Options - Python Tools - Environment Options

Set Default Environment: Python 3.4 Show settings for Python 3.4

Answer: Thank you for sharing!

15:44:56 PDT

Question: Caesar Wrap for lunch? Susan has to be eating a chocolate bar while the screen is off.

Answer: a slice of cake right now actually 😊 Yes I love sugar!

15:46:15 PDT

Question: boss just called and she wants to include pennies and give toasters for \$100 or greater.

Answer: sweet more free toasters!

15:48:43 PDT

Question: Can you declare a variable without an initial value?

Answer: You can set the variable to None e.g. freeToaster = None

15:49:44 PDT

Question: people...for me it's enough for today...i wake up 5:30 AM. See you tomorrow

Answer: See you tomorrow!

15:49:50 PDT

Question: I personally am looking forward to buying a Tom Horton's donut at Burger King when the merger is complete.

Answer: 😊

15:53:30 PDT

Question: how do i get python tools for visual studio i am currently installing visual studio 2013

Answer: visit <https://pytools.codeplex.com>

15:54:09 PDT

Question: I have noticed that VS will show you give you a color indicator on the right side showing where there are issues in your code. You get green on validated code and red on the line where it is funky.

Answer: yes that is a feature called enhanced scroll bar.. it's pretty cool

15:54:29 PDT

Question: why is everyone complaining about the time? I had to wake up at 3:20am to be able to join!

Answer: You are awesome!

15:55:50 PDT

Question: what's wrong if I have a "print" not defined error?

Answer: you may have a typo mistake on a previous line

15:56:05 PDT

Question: it's almost 2am in Finland

Answer: almost done...hang in there



15:56:22 PDT

Question: elif?

Answer: elif

15:57:54 PDT

Question: great course btw

Answer: 😊

15:57:59 PDT

Question: Does python have the "case" construct?

Answer: sadly no

15:58:33 PDT

Question: I downloaded Visual Studio 2013 for Web. Do I have to connect to the Web to use it?

Answer: you have to download VS2013 for desktop

16:00:31 PDT

Question: are we going to see how to make sums with if's?

Answer: not sure what you mean?

16:00:40 PDT

Question: Already did it....

Answer: lol!

16:01:12 PDT

Question: 1 am in Germany

Answer: Guten Abend!

16:01:29 PDT

Question: what about if statements with an AND or OR ?

Answer: coming up...

16:03:39 PDT

Question: Susan, I downloaded the VS 2013 for desktop and it would not install on my Win 7 machine. It was only for Win 8.1. I ended up downloading and installing the web version.

Answer: You can find the full instructions of versions etc.. here under the install tab <https://pytools.codeplex.com/wikipage?title=PTVS%20Installation>

16:05:25 PDT

Question: will there be any completion accomplishment or certificate for this live event?

Answer: no certificate but you can get MVA points

16:06:25 PDT

Question: love the zoom

Answer: its done with zoomit.exe very handy download

16:07:11 PDT

Question: one would be favorite hockey team but what if you have favorite like from different leagues

Answer: that might require a nested if! coming up



16:08:05 PDT

Question: Its showing unexpected token when i say elif?

Answer: probably a typing mistake somewhere maybe a missing : ?

16:08:49 PDT

Question: nopes all gud still the error

Answer: somewhere in your code before that statement is a typing mistake...

16:09:44 PDT

Question: zoomit.exe softonic?

Answer: <http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/bb897434.aspx> is where Zoomit can be downloaded

16:11:41 PDT

Question: team = input('Enter ur fav team: ').upper() if team == 'FLYERS': print('Go Flyers!!') elif team == 'SENATORS': print('Go Sens SO!')

Answer: sorry really hard to debug in Q&A

16:13:50 PDT

Question: arpit... i think u should use("...") instead ov ('...')

Answer: shouldn't matter if you use ' vs "

16:15:12 PDT

Question: team is not defined in front of your input?

Answer: python doesn't require you to declare your variables...but I appreciate the suggstions

16:16:50 PDT

Question: I'm getting silly now!

Answer: I'm the one who keeps going on about free toasters 😊

16:22:34 PDT

Question: sens been bad for sometime now.

Answer: LOL - hey I can make fun of my team 😊 at least we usually make playoffs 😊

16:22:47 PDT

Question: where can we find the link to the github docs?

Answer: I'll make sure we enter it before signing off tonight

16:22:58 PDT

Question: r u a hockeymom?

Answer: yup

16:23:23 PDT

Question: getting sleepy (

Answer: almost done!

16:23:41 PDT

Question: How are Python programs deployed and used by end-users?

Answer: depends on the type of application you create



16:23:59 PDT

Question: 29 and a hockey mom

Answer: 😊

16:25:59 PDT

Question: comicon?

Answer: conference for fans of sci fi and comics

16:29:55 PDT

Question: lol you guys are funny

Answer: gotta have some fun coding!

16:30:48 PDT

Question: "depends on the type of application you create" Can you give a simple example. It is still not clear to me. Thanx

Answer: I'll try to find you an example for tomorrow..hard to do now in mid module

16:31:00 PDT

Question: separating in parenthesis wont work?

Answer: Shhhh don't give away the ending 😊

16:34:07 PDT

Question: why does canada/beaver test as False? Doesn't the Or Beaver make it True?

Answer: canada & beaver will return true

16:34:26 PDT

Question: why does canada/beaver test as False? Doesn't the Or Beaver make it True?

Answer: its late in the day its hard to nto mix it up! apoloiges

16:34:38 PDT

Question: add parenthesis..

Answer: you got it!

16:34:43 PDT

Question: The recap with each chapter using "can you find the three typing mistakes" is a very helpful reinforcement for me to learn. Very Helpful ! Thanks

Answer: glad that helps!

16:34:54 PDT

Question: it is 01:30 am in south africa

Answer: almost done!!! I promise

16:35:15 PDT

Question: but Susan this is an "and" statement

Answer: its a combination of and + or the AND is evaluated first

16:35:35 PDT

Question: Its 5 am in INDIA

Answer: you are a trooper!!!



16:36:14 PDT

Question: Its 00:35 in Portugal

Answer: almost done!

16:36:51 PDT

Question: It's 2:30 in Ukraine. 😊

Answer: lots of you working coder hours!

16:37:19 PDT

Question: can you put open and close parenthesis on both sport and team?

Answer: yes

16:37:50 PDT

Question: it is 7:37am in malaysia

Answer: you need a toaster..for breakfast!

16:38:08 PDT

Question: i am enjoying n still fresh

Answer: then you can tackle the challenges when we finish!

16:38:19 PDT

Question: Coders are more or less night-owl's

Answer: some certainly are!

16:38:31 PDT

Question: This session it will be online ? ?

Answer: yes you will get an email telling you when

16:38:42 PDT

Question: oh, i understand now, i usually put parenthesis which makes it easier to read

Answer: great habit

16:39:29 PDT

Question: yup...i have solved all challenges u assigned

Answer: nice!

16:39:49 PDT

Question: I like that last version

Answer: awesome

16:43:05 PDT

Question: you could get yourself in trouble trying to code when you are sleepy! YIKES!

Answer: yes you can 😊

16:43:15 PDT

Question: In these types if statements, does efficiency or run time matter?

Answer: sometimes but 99% of the time no

16:45:05 PDT

Question: from when we can see again this presentation , a friend told me in 2 week's is that right ?

Answer: yes



16:45:58 PDT

Question: Re: Immediate IFs, I find them useful for checking input on the same line as testing a value. As in not bothering to check whether number is >15 if ISNumeric is False.

Answer: off the top of my head I can't remember, will have to check

16:53:17 PDT

Question: thanks very much!! you guys are great team!!

Answer: Thank you!!

16:53:22 PDT

Question: Thank you for the first day.

Answer: Thank you!!

16:53:30 PDT

Question: Thanks to both Susan and Christopher and all the others behind the scenes.

Answer: Thank you!!

16:53:37 PDT

Question: Thank you guys so much! As someone who recently started programming with Python, I was able to learn a couple new things. Looking forward to learning new things tomorrow with you guys too.

Answer: Glad you enjoyed it!!

Day 2

08:34:06 PDT

Question: Thank you, day one was awesome! So I'm sure day two will be even better.

Answer: We're looking forward to it too!

08:37:11 PDT

Question: Missed out on the second half yesterday, will I be able to follow along still with no issue?

Answer: Check the slides to see what you missed, but I think we'll be going along at a pace you can follow.

08:37:19 PDT

Question: nice day 2

Answer: Welcome back!

08:54:08 PDT

Question: anyone see me?

Answer: Hi NunoAlmeida! Tons of questions in the queue this morning, but we see them all 😊

08:54:43 PDT

Question: Good afternoon from Bucharest. I think that PYTHON must have a graphic sign=SNAKE ., When I learned Java , I started because I saw coffee cup , and I like this.

Answer: Hi POPA DAN!

08:55:06 PDT

Question: Will this videos be available later?

Answer: We will post the recordings on MVA in about 2 weeks. You'll get an email when they are ready.

08:55:18 PDT

Question: So, is this where I get a free toaster if I'm from Canada, have a moose or a beaver for a pet, and make the dino roar whenever the Sens score a goal?

Answer: yes



08:55:59 PDT

Question: Never attempted any programming before, loved it yesterday, clear and simple instuction, that made sense, thank you

Answer: Thanks for the feedback!

08:56:33 PDT

Question: I can't wait to get the video of this! I had to go to class last night and missed the last two sections but I will be going back over this as soon as it is available. I will just add it to my video library.

Answer: Look for the email from us in about 2 weeks when the recordings are on MVA 🙏

08:56:43 PDT

Question: hi day 2; from uruguay

Answer: Welcome!

09:01:23 PDT

Question: Hello everyone from London. Yesterday I started in full screen only to miss out most of poll and Q&A i.e. until I turned to normal screen. It would great to be able to use full screen that included the poll and Q&A side bar.

Answer: I agree. Thanks for the feedback!

09:01:32 PDT

Question: Hello from Costa Rica!

Answer: Bienvenido!

09:02:11 PDT

Question: The full address I am trying is: <http://aka.ms/intropythoncode>

Answer: Here is the complete url <https://github.com/GeekTrainer/Introduction-Programming-Python> does that work for you?

09:12:02 PDT

Question: I got my Python working and Hello World ran at 3:00am

Answer: Awesome!!

09:12:12 PDT

Question: Are they the files under solutions?

Answer: The .py files

09:12:21 PDT

Question: Hi Everyone from USA

Answer: Hi there!

09:12:26 PDT

Question: Hey Everyone from Idaho

Answer: I love Idaho!

09:12:42 PDT

Question: Can you give me the voucher URL and voucher code again, please. Thanks

Answer: It's on the FAQ tab about halfway down



09:13:41 PDT

Question: when will the recorded sessions be available? I missed yesterday's afternoon section due to scheduling conflicts

Answer: They'll be available in about two weeks

09:14:43 PDT

Question: "From" Idaho, born and raised... now in Portland. Idaho will always be the home in my heart. 20 years in Boise, a year in McCall and 14 years in Coeur d'Alene

Answer: I need to get to Coeur d'Alene! But I've been to Boise many times. Love it! Great little town. And I love downtown there.

09:14:54 PDT

Question: if I want to install PyCrypto toolkit how do I do it?

Answer: They should have the docs

09:15:32 PDT

Question: endless loop: lather, rinse, repeat loop with an exit condition: later, rinse, repeat (if desired)

Answer: We'll actually address exactly that in the next module

09:15:45 PDT

Question: OMG Turtle! I loved Turtle! TRS-80 ruled!

Answer: 🐢 I did that on the Apple IIe

09:16:03 PDT

Question: My stream just stopped and now the screen says the session started already, is there a streaming problem on your server?

Answer: Maybe do a refresh? Or a cache clear?

09:16:19 PDT

Question: object reference not set to an instance of an object. I am getting this error

Answer: Make sure you have an import. Also make sure you have the updated tools for Visual Studio.

09:16:45 PDT

Question: There was a programming language called LOGO that used a turtle

Answer: That was it!

09:17:00 PDT

Question: Did that in the ZX Spectrum 48k...

Answer: Love it!

09:18:33 PDT

Question: Christopher, I didn't see the GitHub URL???

Answer: aka.ms/introprog-python

09:19:04 PDT

Question: Try typing XXturtle.yourmethod then go back and delete the XX. You can defeat a flawed intellisense.

Answer: The other thing you could do is hit escape before hitting the (character

09:19:57 PDT

Question: My intellisense doesn't work, either. Must be the Python addon?

Answer: The IntelliSense for Python isn't as effective because Python is weakly typed



09:20:31 PDT

Question: will this be available offline after the event ?

Answer: The video will be available in about 2 weeks

09:24:21 PDT

Question: Where do I get turtle

Answer: Make sure you import it

09:24:33 PDT

Question: I am in python 2.6 and doesn't have turtle

Answer: You could also update your library

09:24:40 PDT

Question: Chris you just gave me an idea, if i ever have kids, going to give them single letter names

Answer: Awesome!

09:25:05 PDT

Question: @Christopher is python a general purpose language or used for some specific fields ?

Answer: It's used in several fields, so it is general purpose. You can create automation scripts, or even web sites with it.

09:25:15 PDT

Question: got in now.. what is the object turtle?

Answer: It's an object that you can use to draw

09:26:54 PDT

Question: Can you use the variable "steps" anywhere in the code?

Answer: It's only available for that loop

09:27:00 PDT

Question: i can import turtle but it gets an error saying module object has no attribute color

Answer: the color is a method, so color('red')

09:32:09 PDT

Question: thank you it seems you gave me an idea for my minor project for college

Answer: Awesome!

09:33:25 PDT

Question: if you don't it looks terrible and hard to troubleshoot

Answer: Exactly!!

09:36:35 PDT

Question: Do we have any different shapes? like circles, ovals etc?

Answer: Absolutely!

09:37:23 PDT

Question: can you manage the speed of the turtle?

Answer: There is a speed method

09:37:28 PDT

Question: I guess this isn't working on my end

Answer: We're doing our best



09:38:04 PDT

Question: I fail to see why you're using Logo to teach a Python course. Teach loops in Python..

Answer: We're using the turtle as a simple way to demonstrate a use for loops.

09:38:42 PDT

Question: hi Christopher. VMM from Italy. Are you publishing a new code to redeem for today's date course or we need to reuse yesterday's one on the MVA site? tx

Answer: Same code as yesterday

09:39:12 PDT

Question: is turtle available for other languages as well ?? and is it compatible with other IDE as well??

Answer: There are other implementations that will do different things

09:39:26 PDT

Question: can you call the variable "steps" in both loops, or does it need to be a different name?

Answer: You can call it whatever you like, but make it something simple

09:39:49 PDT

Question: Is there any performance difference between Python and other languages?

Answer: There is. Other languages can give you better performance, but Python can frequently be easier to write.

09:40:35 PDT

Question: Loop inside a loop inside a loop?

Answer: You can! Although I'd recommend you use functions, which will talk about later.

09:40:42 PDT

Question: So, we don't need declare a variable in Python? Doesn't it raise a confusion?

Answer: You don't. just start using it.

09:43:01 PDT

Question: what if I want it to stay in a loop until user clicks anywhere in a Windows (Action Listener) ?! is it available in Python ?!

Answer: You'd need a library for that

09:43:16 PDT

Question: Python makes it easy to prove a concept works then it can re-written in a faster language. I have done the same using awk to develop a program and then using assembler to speed it up.

Answer: Sure! You could absolutely use that.

09:43:29 PDT

Question: if feel the need to have "declared" variables in python, you can put them at the top of your code & set the all to 0.

Answer: And you can absolutely do that

09:45:18 PDT

Question: What is required to add turtle graphics to Visual Studio?

Answer: Install the Python tools

09:45:57 PDT

Question: what is logo?

Answer: Logo is an older version that used a turtle

09:46:22 PDT

Question: if we declare a variable the way mr. M.Berger said, will that variable remain of that same type throughout the execution?? or its type can be changed later ????

Answer: Best practice would be to set it to the data type you want it to be later

09:49:01 PDT

Question: Hi Chris, Did I miss the code you posted? If not, please provide it. Thanks, Chris.

Answer: We'll be uploading it after the module.

09:51:52 PDT

Question: foreach colour in string

Answer: only just for in Python

09:52:26 PDT

Question: oh, can we loop in an arraylist too?

Answer: Short answer - yes. Longer answer - coming in a couple modules. 😊

09:56:25 PDT

Question: May I ask where I can download your PPT?? So that I can review this from time to time incase I forgot the codes... XD O Thanks

Answer: <https://github.com/GeekTrainer/Introduction-Programming-Python>

09:58:14 PDT

Question: the input command never works for me, I always get a variable has not been defined error?

Answer: variable names are case sensitive, is it possible you have a slight difference in variable names?

09:58:28 PDT

Question: You are really an amazing pair- I understood everything in this first part-THANK YOU. And I am just glad that someone finally and explicitly mentioned the correct spelling of COLOUR

Answer: 😊

09:58:57 PDT

Question: Where can we get the code from please?

Answer: the code is at aka.ms/intropythoncode click the download zip file button

09:59:14 PDT

Question: I asked yesterday but didnt get a answer. When using characters as "ÄÄÖ" in my print-statements i get a error. how come?

Answer: You need to localize the code, you will need to use the locale module

09:59:40 PDT

Question: what if you created a variable called '8' and then make it a color?

Answer: variable names cannot start with a number

10:00:24 PDT

Question: can someone please help with this on turtle.color(colour) I keep getting turtle is not defined any help

Answer: At the top of your code add import turtle

10:00:27 PDT

Question: I tried that last code I get error saying turtle is not defined

Answer: did you import turtle module at the top of your program? and make sure you don't have Turtle in uppercase



10:00:57 PDT

Question: I mean whenever the user defines the variable from an input for the first time, no matter what name I give it python will always say it hasn't been defined and VS will stop

Answer: can you paste your code into the QA?

10:01:44 PDT

Question: wow that was simple now I feel dumb lol

Answer: If I had a nickel for the number of times I made silly mistakes I could take my wife out for a very nice dinner.

10:01:56 PDT

Question: Amazing session Both of you too. And the best best part is you are making this in a funny way so that we don't get bored

Answer: Thank you! We try to have fun!!

10:02:01 PDT

Question: how do i tell where to start drawing on the screen, for example top left of the screen corner

Answer: try goto or setpos <https://docs.python.org/3/library/turtle.html>

10:02:09 PDT

Question: variable number such as a8 is ok?

Answer: It is

10:03:03 PDT

Question: lol we would be millionaires by now right

Answer: Exactly!!

10:03:03 PDT

Question: Hmm whats the locale module? is it like import locale and rock-n-roll from there?

Answer: yes its a module that contains functions to help you handle other languages

10:03:57 PDT

Question: when i type in turtle commands intelli sense doesn't have the basics like turn and forward, do I not have something installed right?

Answer: It's a Python thing

10:06:51 PDT

Question: How can i download the video to watch off line?

Answer: you will get an email when the video is available with a link

10:07:17 PDT

Question: oh wow now it works...since I'm showing it to you...figures

Answer: lol - that happens to all coders

10:08:12 PDT

Question: Great presenter with very helpful lectures, Thank you!

Answer: 😊

10:09:12 PDT

Question: I get the feeling Chris really loves coffee...

Answer: good guess 😊



10:12:15 PDT

Question: how can i learn Python ? i am Asp.net Developer, but i want to learn Python?

Answer: this MVA should help to at least cover syntax, if there is too much review of basics you could just download the slides and challenges from the github

10:12:44 PDT

Question: What's the difference between while and for?

Answer: for executes a fixed number of times, while executes until a condition we specify is met

10:13:15 PDT

Question: range() integer end argument expected, got str. well any help?

Answer: you may need to convert your variable to an integer

10:13:31 PDT

Question: what is the ! mean?

Answer: != means not equal to

10:13:47 PDT

Question: whats the Name of that tool?

Answer: zoomit

10:14:18 PDT

Question: I don't know if this is out of scope, but can you pass an array to the range of the for statement to do something similar?

for people in ArrayOfPeopleFromFrance[]: people.goldstar = true do some other stuff...

Answer: you can use a list in the for loop (kind of like a for each)

10:20:09 PDT

Question: can you use counter++, like in C++?

Answer: python doesn't have the counter++ but you can do counter +=1

10:20:20 PDT

Question: Is there any short forms for counter = counter + 1 ?

Answer: you can do counter +=1

10:20:35 PDT

Question: is there a second MVA voucher for 2nd day of training ? The modern web platform training provided separate vouchers for each day

Answer: same voucher

10:20:48 PDT

Question: can I use <> for not equal instead of ! ?

Answer: no Python uses !=

10:21:19 PDT

Question: i mean cant we use counter++ rather than counter=counter+1 ?

Answer: ++ is not supported but += is

10:24:30 PDT

Question: so would it be counter+=1 for increment shorthand?

Answer: yes



10:26:40 PDT

Question: Drawing a 1000 side polygon takes a long time. Why is Python so slow? Is it interpretive? Can there be compiled Python object code?

Answer: turtle takes a long time because it is constantly going back and forth drawing... Python is always interpreted, it's not really a slow language..that's turtle

10:27:59 PDT

Question: Here's the URL for the book: <http://cc2e.com/>

Answer: thank you

10:28:58 PDT

Question: is "==" is the same as "<=" ?

Answer: No you have to specify "<="

10:29:24 PDT

Question: Hi, could I make a for with two variables in same for? Like one for color and other for range...

Answer: I don't know, nvere tried that!

10:31:18 PDT

Question: never stop

Answer: you got it!

10:31:29 PDT

Question: Could you use counter += N to add N to the variable counter?

Answer: yes you can do that if you like

10:31:46 PDT

Question: infinite loop!!! You need to increment!

Answer: yes!

10:31:53 PDT

Question: It loops forever

Answer: yup!

10:33:37 PDT

Question: @fcascado : can i make two variables in loop for x,y in (range(1,3),range(2,4)): print x, y

Answer: try it !

10:33:44 PDT

Question: is there a shortcut to break?

Answer: SHIFT+F5

10:44:38 PDT

Question: learning these new concepts which are unique to python, is making me feel that i made a really awesome decision by joining this live event... This new concepts make feel as if I've hit gold!

Answer: Thank you!!

10:45:00 PDT

Question: saludos desde México !! Marcel te dejo estos link epero sea de tu ayuda <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/da5kh0wa.aspx>

Answer: Buenos Dias!



10:45:11 PDT

Question: Is Python an OOP language?

Answer: Yes you can do OO in Python

10:45:29 PDT

Question: that was the name of the author and there is a code complete volume 2 also

Answer: There is a second edition, yes

10:45:52 PDT

Question: how do i convert string ?

Answer: You can use the int() function to convert to an integer

10:45:57 PDT

Question: Is there any chance to develop Windows apps using Python? I am a Windows Developer, I find Python very impressive

Answer: You can't develop Windows apps with Python..C# would be your best bet if you like Python

10:47:44 PDT

Question: I once used a whole bottle of shampoo.....

Answer: Ha! Lather, rinse repeat as needed

10:48:05 PDT

Question: for ever hehe

Answer: HA!

10:48:09 PDT

Question: forever loop

Answer: HA!

10:50:38 PDT

Question: Are lists what we call arrays?

Answer: Same concept

10:50:57 PDT

Question: should I submit these challenges anywhere.... I meant to u guys..???

Answer: The challenges are there for self test

10:51:09 PDT

Question: Same poll as yesterday?

Answer: We often have different audiences across the couple of days

10:51:11 PDT

Question: the total MVA is 50 for both days correct?

Answer: Correct

10:52:05 PDT

Question: If not in windows where is Python best used? For Web Apps?

Answer: Web apps, automation, scripts...

10:57:42 PDT

Question: could you please the link to the Git repository

Answer: aka.ms/introprog-python



10:58:11 PDT

Question: Is (guest[-1]) the last one in the list?

Answer: And there you go

11:00:11 PDT

Question: nice shirt-hoodies guys!

Answer: Thanks!

11:03:42 PDT

Question: This may be a little out of scope... but can Python handle list outputs from PowerShell (and vice versa) within a program/script?

Answer: In a nutshell, yes, but it just takes a bit of work.

11:04:27 PDT

Question: Cool! Python runs through a list backwards when you use negative numbers. Sorry if I missed this cuz I got bakc late.

Answer: It does!

11:04:42 PDT

Question: Can Python pull data from SqlServer?

Answer: Absolutely! Unfortunately that's a bit beyond what we'll be covering, but yes.

11:05:18 PDT

Question: Does all values within the list have to be of the same type, or I can do something like stuff = ["Bob", 3, "Chris"] ?

Answer: You can, but you generally don't want to do that.

11:05:52 PDT

Question: how would you remove all values?

Answer: Just reinitialize it. list = []

11:06:46 PDT

Question: can 2 elements in the list have the same value?

Answer: Absolutely

11:08:24 PDT

Question: how about multiple instances of the same value? (two "Bob"s in the the same list? would that remove all instances, or...?

Answer: it will

11:08:27 PDT

Question: will it delete both Susans if there are two??

Answer: it will

11:10:50 PDT

Question: rather giving direct names in the list, is it possible to take these names using input command as a manual user entry method? as much as user want to

Answer: Absolutely, you could use input

11:11:37 PDT

Question: can we call the address of the item in the memory ?!

Answer: You don't use the memory address in Python



11:13:31 PDT

Question: multi-dimensional arrays?

Answer: Avoid multi-dimension arrays as much as possible.

11:15:03 PDT

Question: How about wild card remove, as in son* ?

Answer: There is no wild card remove

11:15:08 PDT

Question: can you include the remove function inside a while loop to get rid of both Bills?

Answer: You could

11:15:27 PDT

Question: Which Bill is removed?

Answer: The first

11:17:14 PDT

Question: what about removing all duplicates?

Answer: You'd have to loop that

11:18:34 PDT

Question: If I had 2 Bill and take INDEX, can I also find the second Bill

Answer: The second parameter on index is a starting point

11:18:54 PDT

Question: normally I use Excel sheet to maintain such names & data and I wonder using Python I can read data from XLS files?

Answer: We'll show text files, but we won't get into Excel files

11:19:57 PDT

Question: Wouldn't it be better to use range(len(guests)) here?

Answer: Multiple ways. Susan is going to walk you through a couple

11:20:13 PDT

Question: so can you get a count in an array?

Answer: Len will do that

11:23:01 PDT

Question: How do you pin a note?

Answer: Hover over the item, and then it will display a pin

11:25:07 PDT

Question: I think we can get the address of the object using id():

Answer: I'd suggest avoiding going straight to addresses

11:27:12 PDT

Question: There is any built in function to make values in list unique?

Answer: There isn't

11:30:17 PDT

Question: They wouldn't let us use .sort. Forced us to do a bubblesort instead.

Answer: Every developer needs to do it. Think of it as the next Hello world project. 😊



11:30:31 PDT

Question: Are there Sql kind of commands in python? Just like we have in C#

Answer: We don't have LINQ syntax in Python

11:32:04 PDT

Question: For Christopher, since I have seen you give SharePoint instruction have you tried using Python to call from SharePoint? Were you successful?

Answer: I haven't done Python with SharePoint

11:32:48 PDT

Question: Are you done with DONE?

Answer: Exactly!!

11:33:05 PDT

Question: This is like storing in a database?

Answer: Sort of. We'll put it in a file, though

11:40:11 PDT

Question: If you declare a variable, nbrGuests in a for statement, is that variable name only in scope for the life of that for statement, or could you call that var again later?

Answer: Variables are only scoped by functions

11:40:23 PDT

Question: You guys rock in teaching quality!

Answer: Thanks!!

11:40:26 PDT

Question: what toolbars do you use on your VS

Answer: I just have the standard toolbar actually.

11:40:52 PDT

Question: Dynamic! The list can be stored and saved for later use after new input is entered?

Answer: We'll do files as well

11:41:21 PDT

Question: what about tuples

Answer: if you mean somehow linking item 0 to item 4 not aware of any features to help you do that

11:41:39 PDT

Question: oh ok thanks i thought earlier when you did the debug something else was on there that i didnt have

Answer: When you are in debug, there are extra buttons that appear for stepping through code

11:41:59 PDT

Question: Are going also to cover how to save the list to a file (rather than print?) Thanks

Answer: we will cover writing to files next!

11:42:36 PDT

Question: I can build a family tree with this collection? Can I be relational?

Answer: it is not designed for sotring relationships,



11:46:40 PDT

Question: module10SortGuestListChallengeSolution doesn't open

Answer: try it again I just synced it

11:47:17 PDT

Question: stackoverflow.com is a good site too

Answer: absolutely Stack overflow is a great resource for questions and information

11:48:14 PDT

Question: Hi guys! The solution of last module isn't available on Git, instead there is a sln file...

Answer: I'll check on that!

11:48:33 PDT

Question: How to receive the 50 points for this class?

Answer: A: Yes, you can! Follow these steps to be awarded 50 MVA Points! (1) Visit <http://aka.ms/MVA-Voucher> (2) Be sure you're signed in (new users will need to register) (3) Enter the following voucher code*: IntProgPython *This offer expires on October 27, 2014

11:50:54 PDT

Question: are there any or is there going to be any MVAs that will help me understand VS and coding a little more

Answer: we may do another Python one..there is also a C# fundamentals, there is a New features in Visual Studio 2013 as well with tips and tricks in VS

11:56:05 PDT

Question: no access mode delete?

Answer: no

11:58:32 PDT

Question: if the file is opened as write can you read by default or do you have to specify read as well?

Answer: never tried that, I don't know...try it after the next module 😊

12:00:12 PDT

Question: Instead of delete, append can replace a value with null value?

Answer: if you want to replace a value in a list assign it a new value, don't use delete

12:02:56 PDT

Question: Don't forget to close your file handle!

Answer: we will touch on that soon

12:03:33 PDT

Question: How do you define your output file to be a Notepad file, I didn't see you do that.

Answer: because he specified a file extension of .txt , Windows assumes you want to open .txt files in NotePad

12:04:21 PDT

Question: what means acces mode binary?

Answer: that's used for binary files e.g. .jpg .bmp .wmv (images & videos)

12:04:40 PDT

Question: does WRITE also give read access? I know in Unix you have to specify

Answer: not sure we can try that next module maybe



12:06:37 PDT

Question: What time will the meal break start and end?

Answer: starting meal break in about 15 mins and will last about 60 mins

12:06:45 PDT

Question: The default file association for .txt in Windows in Notepad I believe.

Answer: yes

12:09:19 PDT

Question: Or 'w+'

Answer: correct you can specify r+ or w+ to open a file for reading and writing

12:10:17 PDT

Question: Will you be covering with/as with a file handle?

Answer: yes

12:10:35 PDT

Question: is it possible to detect if there was any error while trying to write?

Answer: yes we will talk about error handling end of day

12:10:50 PDT

Question: what happens if the file already exists. does it overwrite the existing one?

Answer: depends whether you chose append or write as access mode

12:11:09 PDT

Question: can commas be used to separate values of a collection -say in a csv file?

Answer: YES! guess the challenge 😊

12:11:18 PDT

Question: where do you find for instance: a list of accessmodes ...

Answer: bing search 😊

12:12:09 PDT

Question: are the privileges not hierarchical? In other words, if you open a file in write mode, couldn't you also read from the open file>?

Answer: no

12:13:03 PDT

Question: is there a reason taht you write varibales like APPEND in uppcase?

Answer: actually yes that is a programming convention, when we have a variable whose value will never change we think of it as constant and sometimes we use uppercase letters as a visual cue that it is constnt and the value won't change in the code

12:14:38 PDT

Question: how about the titles for each line value?

Answer: you would have to write a line with the titles

12:14:56 PDT

Question: i cant get it to put it on two sep. lines

Answer: you need the \n



12:31:41 PDT

Question: I need a Python version for my Commodore 64

Answer: 🤔

13:29:44 PDT

Question: Your back!!!

Answer: We are!!

13:29:49 PDT

Question: I so miss the Commodore 64

Answer: Best OS Ever!

13:30:38 PDT

Question: the live version just moves too fast for me to do the challenges(100% zero coding experience of yesterday).

Answer: They're all available at aka.ms/intropythoncode

13:30:47 PDT

Question: hi i dd't get video

Answer: Refresh the browser

13:31:17 PDT

Question: Since I missed Day1 sessions (), could anyone be so kind to confirm me if there are any changes in Slides (Presertation & Break) that I already downloaded from today session page ? TIA

Answer: We're updating slides as we go. You can find them at <http://aka.ms/intropythoncode>

13:32:38 PDT

Question: ZX Spectrum all the way

Answer: ha!

13:33:43 PDT

Question: Sorry to repeat, but will i be able to actually download this course, or online access only?

Answer: You can download in two weeks

13:34:29 PDT

Question: Finished downloading and installing Visual Studio Online. I didn't know it had such an awesome UI!

Answer: It really is very cool!

13:35:04 PDT

Question: Just walked the dog--beautiful day in Minnesota. The leaves are just starting to turn...READY for the stretch!

Answer: Love MN in the fall!

13:35:17 PDT

Question: I'm baaaack after playing with my turtle during lunch then to restart after my computer screen went black during the python install

Answer: Awesome!

13:37:40 PDT

Question: Playing around in VS13 during break... just noticed that I can code in PowerShell!!! MIND BLOWN!!

Answer: Love it!



13:37:53 PDT

Question: I accessed the website: link. Where to I enter the code IntProgPython?

Answer: There is a Redeem Code

13:40:00 PDT

Question: Hi Harrison How Are You man !

Answer: Good!!

13:40:20 PDT

Question: What webcasting platform is being used for this Jump Start? It's really great.

Answer: It's running on Azure

13:42:43 PDT

Question: Christopher, Susan, A Big Hello from Egypt

Answer: Hi there!!

13:52:36 PDT

Question: Did you need close() file too

Answer: We're covering that now

14:00:13 PDT

Question: My version of VS seems to like Ctrl-E,C to comment

Answer: The shortcut keys are programmable.

14:00:24 PDT

Question: Is there any possibility or command to read the file and send to Printer for a hard copy ?

Answer: You absolutely can.

14:01:01 PDT

Question: I tried to get the code but couldn't is it because you all are using it?

Answer: We upload the code after the module

14:01:34 PDT

Question: Is there a limit on how big a file can be parsed?

Answer: There is always a limit, but generally you'll reach a practical limit before a hard limit.

14:01:49 PDT

Question: Sorry, can't stay. Hope this will be repeated.

Answer: It'll be available online in two weeks

14:03:03 PDT

Question: I get an error when I run this...

Answer: Make sure you import csv

14:04:29 PDT

Question: did the import...realized a spelling error...haha...

Answer: Been there!

14:07:23 PDT

Question: how do you do the debug again

Answer: Set a breakpoint and then hit F5



14:07:48 PDT

Question: How about using the csv.DictReader method to extract by column name?

Answer: Which works if the first column has the names.

14:09:07 PDT

Question: would it be easier to dump the csv file into an excel file and then find the names from the columns? Can you do this?

Answer: You could open an Excel file as well.

14:09:26 PDT

Question: how do you do a breakpoint

Answer: Click in the gray bar on the left side where you want the breakpoint.

14:12:53 PDT

Question: Maybe that's another person named Christopher in the file....

Answer: Ha

14:13:08 PDT

Question: I thought Susan was 29...

Answer: She might be lying... 😏

14:21:14 PDT

Question: Thank you for the training. I feel much more confident in my ability to go out and solve problems now. (simple problems, anyhow)

Answer: Awesome!! That's exactly what we were hoping for!

14:21:15 PDT

Question: Thank you for the training. I feel much more confident in my ability to go out and solve problems now. (simple problems, anyhow)

Answer: awesome yo umade my day!

14:21:30 PDT

Question: 29 in Hex is 41 in decimal - but I'm not saying anything...

Answer: Ha!

14:21:50 PDT

Question: can the join be used with a space (' '.join(xxx))

Answer: Absolutely!

14:21:52 PDT

Question: can the join be used with a space (' '.join(xxx))

Answer: yes you can use a space

14:22:17 PDT

Question: How do you change the Python command window (where your results show up in debug) from White text on Black Background to the Black on White that you are using?

Answer: if you right click on the top bar of the command window you can change the properties of the command window

14:26:29 PDT

Question: Will there be a way to review all that has been said and done with this presentation?

Answer: Yes it will be available to watch on demand in about two weeks, you will get an email. Or you can go to the github to get the slides & challenges



14:26:58 PDT

Question: What if you only wanted the name to print without the rest of the values?

Answer: you would have to write logic to skip the values you don't care about

14:28:11 PDT

Question: Thanks for making the whole programming thing not so scary. I want to learn, have tried to pick this up for years, and this is the first time it's "made sense". THANK YOU.

Answer: That is great!

14:29:06 PDT

Question: is there a second course planned?

Answer: we are discussing that possibility 🤔

14:29:40 PDT

Question: Will it slice the bread and insert it into the toaster?

Answer: Ha!

14:31:03 PDT

Question: Completely agree with Colleen, and would LOVE a continuation of this course!

Answer: duly noted!

14:31:19 PDT

Question: Make mine with Maramite

Answer: YES! I Love Marmite!

14:32:45 PDT

Question: Is it related to Vegamite?

Answer: yes

14:34:30 PDT

Question: I want to copy all the local variables to a text file. How do I do this?

Answer: can you open a file and write each variable to the file?

14:37:01 PDT

Question: will we get a cert. of completion after this class

Answer: ask that next module Christopher will know the answer. I don't

14:40:48 PDT

Question: can you put your functions on another file and then import it?

Answer: Yes - here's a stack overflow that explains it relatively well... <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/714881/how-to-include-external-python-code-to-use-in-other-files>

14:42:45 PDT

Question: how to pass a parameter to function?

Answer: we will cover passing in parameters

14:45:14 PDT

Question: does Intellisense work when you define the code in main() with this scheme?

Answer: yes



14:46:30 PDT

Question: Is there tech problems there. I just lost you for the 3rd time and I have, usually, a great connection

Answer: I know we have a had a few streaming issues today... apologies!

14:49:59 PDT

Question: Is this an example of Python doing polymorphism, of many functions grouped into a single functions?

Answer: No, polymorphism is a more complicated concept..we won't get into that today

14:50:50 PDT

Question: Is a function and a subroutine the same?

Answer: yes and no...they are both programs you can call by name...officially functions ALWAYS return a value, a subroutine might not return a value

14:51:17 PDT

Question: Hi you all from South Texas. Just curious what site will these Phyton recordings be in as I missed yesterdays full session?

Answer: you will get an email when the recording go live, they will be athe Microsoft Virtual Academy website

14:52:35 PDT

Question: is there a function to do XOR?

Answer: there might be one in a module out there somewhere, but if there is I don't know of it.

14:53:54 PDT

Question: what is a subroutine?

Answer: a subroutine is another name for a function, if you want to be picky subroutines do not always return values, but functions do

14:54:30 PDT

Question: You could use a function to respond to all the questions on the recording of this course

Answer: ha!

14:55:01 PDT

Question: Does it always read the program from top to bottom?

Answer: Yes...but it may not EXECUTE from top to bottom, which is why you can define the functions at the top but they aren't executed until you reach code that calls them

14:55:28 PDT

Question: As a lazy coder, where is good place to find common functions that have already been written?

Answer: bing 😊

14:57:02 PDT

Question: I'd like to know how Python works with XML formatted file? Is there a library for working with XML fields?

Answer: try this link <https://wiki.python.org/moin/PythonXml>

14:59:50 PDT

Question: how about Global Variables?

Answer: We aren't going to cover global variables... but here is a decent reference http://www.python-course.eu/global_vs_local_variables.php

15:04:53 PDT

Question: I may have missed it, but I have not heard any Monty Python references

Answer: We only had one I can think of ..."what is your name"



15:06:21 PDT

Question: is it possible to validate an xml file with a DTD before loading it ?

Answer: probably...but you would have to find a suitable library, I don't know.

15:07:16 PDT

Question: Maybe use the names Brian, Robin, and Patsy

Answer: Ha!

15:15:41 PDT

Question: Thanks Susan, soooo much!! Muchas Gracias Susan por compartir tus conocimientos!

Answer: de nada!

15:16:22 PDT

Question: You guys are super easy to understand. I teach tech, and you are giving me lots of ideas. Thanks!

Answer: awesome!

15:16:36 PDT

Question: merci!

Answer: de rien 🙄

15:19:55 PDT

Question: I'm late, will this be available as a recording?

Answer: It'll be available in 2 weeks

15:20:19 PDT

Question: Nicely done. Good level of information to get the Python syntax. Look forward to more classes.

Answer: Thanks!!

15:20:30 PDT

Question: Thanks guys for sharing your knowledge!!!

Answer: You are very welcome!

15:22:38 PDT

Question: I hope you guys make more of these. You do make it fun and at the same time instructional. I had only 4 hrs of sleep last night, and, thanks to you guys, still learning away. Thank you so much

Answer: Thank you very much!!

15:22:51 PDT

Question: Hope you guys do more advanced Python Modules ehm ... next week, I mean very soon. You are great!!

Answer: Thanks!! We'd love to do that

15:24:33 PDT

Question: I'll second the request for more advance training modules

Answer: We'd love to do it!

15:24:48 PDT

Question: My first MVA jumpstart and new to programming, wish I had found this long time ago.

Answer: Please roam! There's a ton of great material there!!



15:25:32 PDT

Question: hey chris i was told to ask you this are we gonna get a cert. of completion for this class

Answer: We don't have certifications for Python

15:25:38 PDT

Question: Please do another class!!!

Answer: We'd love to!

15:25:45 PDT

Question: You guys are awesome, will deffo look out for other live events you do

Answer: Thank you!!

15:26:59 PDT

Question: i was talking about MVA cert. like the ones you get after doing the recorded ones

Answer: Oh! Those require doing all of the questions, so only available after the course is available on demand.

15:29:18 PDT

Question: I'd also vote for advanced classes. Great course. Really funny, even going from 6 pm to 2 am here in Austria.

Answer: Thank you!!

15:30:58 PDT

Question: Great course! You guys are really engaging. Great experience.

Answer: Thank you!!

15:31:56 PDT

Question: Would definitely watch another course! Such an entertaining and informative course! You guys managed to keep me up 2am-9am two days in a row now! Hope you guys do another one, expanding even more on this one and writing even more advanced code!

Answer: We'd love to do another course!

15:33:49 PDT

Question: i like that mistake too

Answer: 😊

15:34:06 PDT

Question: In a follow-on, I'd love to see more in-depth examples of tapping into open-source data and blending it with in-house data on sales and marketing demographics. By the way, I've really enjoyed this course immensely. You guys work well together!

Answer: Thank you, and thank you for the suggestion!

15:34:21 PDT

Question: Thank you for an engaging presentation. Definitely recommend it to others who are starting with Python. Some cool tips that are not covered in introductory material that both of you introduced owing to your vast experience in other languages and Visual Studio.

Answer: Thank you! And we did try to show off the tool.

15:35:16 PDT

Question: The best intro course I have meet! Congrat!!! You are awesome!

Answer: Thank you!!



15:35:22 PDT

Question: The best intro course I have meet! Congrat!!! You are awesone!

Answer: Thank you!!

15:35:28 PDT

Question: i would love another more advanced course over this you two are great teachers thanks

Answer: We'd love to do another! Thank you!

15:35:42 PDT

Question: This course was great. Its been 20 years since I did my last programming. I got my minor in computer science with Pascal and Fortran. Its wonderful to find a "modern" language that is top down and not just OO. Hope I can be in another class with both of you teaching. GREAT TEAM. I too vote for an advanced class.

Answer: Thank you!! And we'd love to do another one!

15:36:11 PDT

Question: The next poll post should be whether you'd be interested in another course.

Answer: Ha!

15:36:18 PDT

Question: Yesterday everyone from the US got privileges, Hmmm

Answer: 😊

15:36:27 PDT

Question: would love another course involving cryptography programming with Python

Answer: Thanks for the suggestion!

15:36:41 PDT

Question: A top-notch presentation, Susan, Christopher and Shannon. Thank you.

Answer: Thank you!!

15:39:20 PDT

Question: What if the user enters Bob

Answer: Need error handling as well for that

15:39:28 PDT

Question: Awesome course! Awesome instructors! This course have made me excited about returning to programming. I would also love an advanced course.

Answer: Thank you!! And we'd love to do one!

15:40:20 PDT

Question: Awesome Stuff. How bout some Visual Studio Classes C# or VB using SQL Data

Answer: We've got a lot of C# and VB content on MVA.

15:42:09 PDT

Question: Christopher and coffee need

Answer: Always need coffee!

15:43:31 PDT

Question: Both of you are amazing if you someday came to SP - Brazil the pizza is on my tab!!

Answer: Thanks! 😊



15:43:38 PDT

Question: Will there be an advanced Python course?

Answer: We'd love to do another

15:45:18 PDT

Question: Great Big Thanks for teaching this class on Intro to Python. Had no idea that Visual Studio could be used for Python. You both did a great job teaching. Looking forward to the next class in this series on Python. I will recommend this class to others.

Answer: Thank you!!

15:45:26 PDT

Question: catch exception, print stack trace, then die.

Answer: 😊

15:45:41 PDT

Question: with so many languages available, what is a good follow-on from python?

Answer: Take a look at JavaScript

15:46:15 PDT

Question: Thanks a lot for 2 wonderful days full of learning not just Python but many other stuff too. Looking forward to join you again for next level Python. You guys are fantastic instructors. I really enjoyed it and very convince to re-start programming and writing code again. Je vous souhaite beaucoup de succès et bonne soirée !

Answer: Awesome!! Thank you!

15:46:47 PDT

Question: A Django MVC Lesson would be awesome

Answer: I'd love to see that!

15:47:43 PDT

Question: ok thanks, my current work is mainly PowerShell, enjoyed taking this course in my own time as I'm looking to expand my skillset

Answer: Awesome! Always great to learn more languages.

15:48:11 PDT

Question: What if we tested for zero after secondnumber, if 0 print "Sorry we can't divide by zero" then go back to the secondnumber input?

Answer: Short answer - yes. We're using it to demonstrate exception handling.

15:48:23 PDT

Question: An advanced Python course with some SQL would be awesome and ditto on the Django!

Answer: Would love to do more Python!

15:48:37 PDT

Question: try : getcoffe() print("I'm Happy") except: print("Life is miserable")

Answer: Ha!

15:51:08 PDT

Question: try : getCoffee() print("Some more please") except : print("Oh No!!!")

Answer: while 1 == 1: getCoffee()

15:51:13 PDT

Question: and as the ultimate in being a lazy coder, forget typing a Bing search...ask Cortana

Answer: Ha!



15:51:19 PDT

Question: Yes, more Python would be great. This class has been excellent

Answer: Thank you!

15:51:29 PDT

Question: `import coffee.today()`

Answer: Love it!

15:51:36 PDT

Question: PICNIC = Problem In Chair Not In Computer ex. support: "Oh, it was nothing, just a PICNIC.

Answer: Love it!

15:52:29 PDT

Question: is `sys.exc_info()` is what we call the stack trace?

Answer: Exactly

15:53:03 PDT

Question: Is it possible to call Python program from another script, for example, VBScript?

Answer: It is. Takes just a little work

15:55:01 PDT

Question: please do tell us, other sources to study more of python.....

Answer: `python.org` is a great place to start

15:55:43 PDT

Question: Years ago when computers had a floppy drive, the program would have an error when trying to read the floppy drive, but it has nothing to do with your code, I would have the try except: essentially "eat the error" and move on. If there is no indented lines after except: does it still execute the next line?

Answer: There isn't a clean way to do that. You could just put an empty `print("")` or a method call that does nothing

15:56:15 PDT

Question: This was a great class, I never knew coding was so fun. Thank you for setting all this up and teaching the class.

Answer: Thank you!!

15:56:24 PDT

Lance O. posted: What would happen if you input an 'a' instead of a 0?

Answer: It would give a conversion error

15:58:37 PDT

Question: what will it do if you divide by a negative number?

Answer: Dividing by a negative number is like multiplying and then making it a negative number

15:58:47 PDT

Question: What is the best way to redirect user focus after an error?

Answer: Really depends on your environment

15:59:35 PDT

Question: good lecture++ = This event make me wants to learn more ,goodnight `print("where is my toaster")`

Answer: ha!



16:02:23 PDT

Question: Where could we find a full list of libraries that could be used by import in Python program?

Answer: There'd be too many to list

16:05:24 PDT

Question: What happens if you modulo by a negative number?

Answer: Exception

16:05:36 PDT

Question: Can we exit with specific exit code?

Answer: Exit accepts a number parameter

16:21:08 PDT

Question: Excellent course! I especially like your style of demonstrating errors and then EXPLAINING how and why the code wasn't right. This beats the heck out of just giving us the how to do it type of info.

Answer: Thank you!!

16:22:36 PDT

Question: Ferris Buller's day off... Love it. Thank you very much.

Answer: 😊

16:22:47 PDT

Question: like movies after the credits

Answer: 😊

16:23:28 PDT

Question: I like the way the two of you worked together, Thank You. You mentioned C#, I would like to see you team up for a C# Windows 8 App MVA class. Great Work.

Answer: Thank you!!

16:24:43 PDT

Question: Answer my question please.

Answer: The monitors are Planars
