

programmin with mosh

Python 3 Cheat Sheet

If you're starting out with Python and are looking for a fun and comprehensive tutorial, check out my YouTube tutorials. I have two Python tutorials. If you have no or little programming experience, I suggest you check out my [Python tutorial for beginners](#). Otherwise, if you know the basics (eg variables, functions, conditional statements, loops) and are looking for a tutorial that gets straight to the point and doesn't treat you like a beginner, check out my [Python tutorial for programmers](#).

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Variables

```
1 | a = 1          # integer
2 | b = 1.1        # float
3 | c = 1 + 2j     # complex number (a + bi)
4 | d = "a"        # string
5 | e = True       # boolean (True / False)
```

Strings

```
01 | x = "Python"
02 | len(x)
03 | x[0]
04 | x[-1]
05 | x[0:3]
06 |
07 | # Formatted strings
08 | name = f"{first} {last}"
09 |
10 | # Escape sequences
11 | \" \"' \\ \n
12 |
13 | # String methods
14 | x.upper()
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14 x.upper()
15 x.lower()
16 x.title()
17 x.strip()
18 x.find("p")
19 x.replace("a", "b")
20 "a" in x

```

Type Conversion

```

1 int(x)
2 float(x)
3 bool(x)
4 string(x)

```

Falsy Values

```

1 0
2 ""
3 []

```

Conditional Statements

```

01 if x == 1:
02     print("a")
03 elif x == 2:
04     print("b")
05 else:
06     print("c")
07
08 # Ternary operator
09 x = "a" if n > 1 else "b"
10
11 # Chaining comparison operators
12 if 18 <= age < 65:

```

Loops

```

1 for n in range(1, 10):
2     print(n)
3
4 while n < 10:
5     print(n)
6     n += 1

```

Functions

```

01 def increment(number, by=1):
02     return number + by
03
04 # Keyword arguments
05 increment(2, by=1)
06
07 # Variable number of arguments
08 def multiply(*numbers):
09     for number in numbers:
10         print number
11

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12
13 multiply(1, 2, 3, 4)
14
15 # Variable number of keyword arguments
16 def save_user(**user):
17     ...
18
19
20 save_user(id=1, name="Mosh")

```

Lists

```

01 # Creating lists
02 letters = ["a", "b", "c"]
03 matrix = [[0, 1], [1, 2]]
04 zeros = [0] * 5
05 combined = zeros + letters
06 numbers = list(range(20))
07
08 # Accessing items
09 letters = ["a", "b", "c", "d"]
10 letters[0] # "a"
11 letters[-1] # "d"
12
13 # Slicing lists
14 letters[0:3] # "a", "b", "c"
15 letters[:3] # "a", "b", "c"
16 letters[0:] # "a", "b", "c", "d"
17 letters[:] # "a", "b", "c", "d"
18 letters[::2] # "a", "c"
19 letters[::-1] # "d", "c", "b", "a"
20
21 # Unpacking
22 first, second, *other = letters
23
24 # Looping over lists
25 for letter in letters:
26     ...
27
28 for index, letter in enumerate(letters):
29     ...
30
31 # Adding items
32 letters.append("e")
33 letters.insert(0, "-")
34
35 # Removing items
36 letters.pop()
37 letters.pop(0)
38 letters.remove("b")
39 del letters[0:3]
40
41 # Finding items
42 if "f" in letters:
43     letters.index("f")
44
45 # Sorting lists
46 letters.sort()
47 letters.sort(reverse=True)
48
49 # Custom sorting
50 items = [
51     ("Product1", 10),

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51         ("Product1", 10),
52         ("Product2", 9),
53         ("Product3", 11)
54     ]
55
56     items.sort(key=lambda item: item[1])
57
58     # Map and filter
59     prices = list(map(lambda item: item[1], items))
60     expensive_items = list(filter(lambda item: item[1] >= 10,
61
62     # List comprehensions
63     prices = [item[1] for item in items]
64     expensive_items = [item for item in items if item[1] >= 10]
65
66     # Zip function
67     list1 = [1, 2, 3]
68     list2 = [10, 20, 30]
69     combined = list(zip(list1, list2))    # [(1, 10), (2, 20)]

```

Tuples

```

01 point = (1, 2, 3)
02 point[0:2]    # (1, 2)
03 x, y, z = point
04 if 10 in point:
05     ...
06
07 # Swapping variables
08 x = 10
09 y = 11
10 x, y = y, x

```

Arrays

```

1  from array import array
2
3  numbers = array("i", [1, 2, 3])

```

Sets

```

01 first = {1, 2, 3, 4}
02 second = {1, 5}
03
04 first | second    # {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}
05 first & second    # {1}
06 first - second    # {2, 3, 4}
07 first ^ second    # {2, 3, 4, 5}
08
09 if 1 in first:
10     ...

```

Dictionaries

```

01 point = {"x": 1, "y": 2}
02 point = dict(x=1, y=2)
03 point["z"] = 3
04 if "a" in point:
05     ...

```

```

05     ...
06     point.get("a", 0)    # 0
07     del point["x"]
08     for key, value in point.items():
09         ...
10
11     # Dictionary comprehensions
12     values = {x: x * 2 for x in range(5)}

```

Generator Expressions

```

1     values = (x * 2 for x in range(10000))
2     len(values)    # Error
3     for x in values:

```

Unpacking Operator

```

1     first = [1, 2, 3]
2     second = [4, 5, 6]
3     combined = [*first, "a", *second]
4
5     first = {"x": 1}
6     second = {"y": 2}
7     combined = {**first, **second}

```

Exceptions

```

01     # Handling Exceptions
02     try:
03         ...
04     except (ValueError, ZeroDivisionError):
05         ...
06     else:
07         # no exceptions raised
08     finally:
09         # cleanup code
10
11     # Raising exceptions
12     if x < 1:
13         raise ValueError("...")
14
15     # The with statement
16     with open("file.txt") as file:
17         ...

```

Classes

```

01     # Creating classes
02     class Point:
03         def __init__(self, x, y):
04             self.x = x
05             self.y = y
06
07         def draw(self):
08             ...
09
10     # Instance vs class attributes
11     class Point:
12         default_color = "red"

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13
14     def __init__(self, x, y):
15         self.x = x
16
17 # Instance vs class methods
18 class Point:
19     def draw(self):
20         ...
21
22     @classmethod
23     def zero(cls):
24         return cls(0, 0)
25
26
27 # Magic methods
28 __str__()
29 __eq__()
30 __cmp__()
31 ...
32
33 # Private members
34 class Point:
35     def __init__(self, x):
36         self.__x = x
37
38
39 # Properties
40 class Point:
41     def __init__(self, x):
42         self.__x = x
43
44     @property
45     def x(self):
46         return self.__x
47
48     @property.setter
49     def x.setter(self, value):
50         self.__x = value
51
52 # Inheritance
53 class FileStream(Stream):
54     def open(self):
55         super().open()
56         ...
57
58 # Multiple inheritance
59 class FlyingFish(Flyer, Swimmer):
60     ...
61
62 # Abstract base classes
63 from abc import ABC, abstractmethod
64
65 class Stream(ABC):
66     @abstractmethod
67     def read(self):
68         pass
69
70 # Named tuples
71 from collections import namedtuple
72
73 Point = namedtuple("Point", ["x", "y"])
74 point = Point(x=1, y=2)

```