

Break

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Python has a `break` statement that allows you to terminate a loop early. For example:

```
def process_string_list(string_list):  
    ...  
    # print the first string containing a !  
    for string in string_list:  
        if "!" in string:  
            print string  
            break  
    # execution continues here after loop terminates (normally or via break)  
    ...
```

This is often useful when you are searching for something and you want to stop looking after you've found it. The `break` statement is pretty straight-forward, so there are no related exercises. Use it if and when you need it throughout the semester.

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