## **Exception Handling** (1.5 hours)

Errors happen! To make sure your programs are **error-proof** and user-friendly, Python provides **Exception Handling**. It's the art of catching errors and handling them gracefully.

- Basic Structure of try-except Blocks (
  - o try: Runs code that might throw an error.
  - o except: Catches the error, allowing you to respond without crashing.
  - Example

```
try:
    with open("nonexistent.txt", "r") as file:
        data = file.read()
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found. Please check the filename.")
```

## Advanced Error Handling with finally and Custom Errors

- finally: Runs no matter what, often used to clean up (like closing a file).
- Custom Errors: Create custom exceptions for special cases (e.g., EmptyFileError).

## Example with finally:

```
try:
    file = open("sample.txt", "r")
    data = file.read()
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found.")
finally:
    file.close()
```

## **Best Practices**



- Use with for file handling: Auto-close files, preventing potential leaks.
- Check file existence before reading/writing, to avoid crashes.
- Handle specific exceptions over general ones (e.g., FileNotFoundError instead of Exception).
- **Document error messages** clearly for easier debugging and user support.