

# **CODEBOOSTERS TECH - LeetCode Training**

# Day 1 FN Session Plan — Python Basics

# Session Objective:

Lay a solid foundation in Python programming to confidently solve beginner-level coding problems on LeetCode by afternoon.

# **Topics Covered :**

- 1. What is Python? Why Python for Problem Solving?
- 2. Variables & Data Types
- 3. Type Casting & Type Checking
- 4. Input & Output
- 5. Conditional Statements
- 6. Loops for, while, break, continue
- 7. Lists & Tuples
- 8. Strings & String Operations

- 9. Functions User-defined, Built-in
- 10. Extra: Dictionaries, Sets (Intro only)
- 11. Bonus: Debugging Basics (print/debug strategy)

Now let's go topic-by-topic with deep theory, real-world analogies, hands-on questions, and line-by-line explanations.

# • 1. What is Python?

## Why Python?

- Simple syntax → readable like English
- Large community + tons of libraries
- Used in: Web dev, Data Science, Automation, AI, Competitive Programming
- Perfect for problem solving and LeetCode

## Real-life Analogy:

If C/C++ is like a manual car (more control, more complexity), Python is an automatic (easy to drive, gets job done fast).

#### Micro Exercise:

python

print("Welcome to Python training!")

## Output:

CSS

Welcome to Python training!

Q: What did we just do here?

A: Used the built-in print() function to display a message on the screen.

## 2. Variables & Data Types

## What is a variable?

A container to store data in memory using a name.

## Analogy:

Think of a cup labeled "Coffee" — the label is the variable name, and the drink is the value.

## Real-Time Example:

```
user_name = "Veera"
user_age = 28
user_city = "Hyderabad"
is_active_user = True
```

#### Hands-On Drill:

python

```
company = "Google"

founded = 1998

rating = 4.8

is_hiring = True

print(company, "was founded in", founded)
```

## Line-by-Line Explanation:

- company = "Google" → Creates a string variable
- founded = 1998 → Integer
- is\_hiring = True→ Boolean
- print(...) → Combines and prints all info

# 3. Type Casting & Type Checking

# Type Checking:

Use

type() to check the datatype.

```
python

a = 5

b = "5"

print(type(a)) # <class 'int'> #

print(type(b)) <class 'str'>
```

## ▼ Type Conversion:

```
python

a = int("5") # string to int

b = str(10) # int to string
```



Input is always str type!

#### Practice:

```
num1 = input("Enter a number: ")
num2 = input("Enter another number: ")
print("Sum is:", int(num1) + int(num2))
```

# 4. Input & Output

- ✓ input() ⇒ to take user input
- ✓ print() ⇒ to show output

```
python

name = input("Enter your name: ")
print("Welcome,", name)
```

## Real-World Example:

Build a simple interest calculator

```
python

p = float(input("Enter principal: ")) r =
float(input("Enter rate: ")) t =
float(input("Enter time: "))
```

```
si = (p * r * t) / 100
print("Simple Interest =", si)
```

#### 5. Conditional Statements

✓ if / elif / else – for decisions

```
python

age = int(input("Enter your age: "))

if age >= 18:
    print("You can vote!")

elif age > 12:
    print("You are a teenager!")

else:
    print("You are a child!")
```

#### Real-World Use:

- Login system (if password correct)
- Online order delivery (if pincode serviceable)
- Show tax slab (if income > certain range)



Write a program to print "even" or "odd" for a given number.

python

```
num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
if num % 2 == 0:
    print("Even")
else:
    print("Odd")
```

- 6. Loops for , while
- **✓**

for loop – iterate over range or collection

```
python

for i in range(1, 6):

print("Number:", i)
```

while loop – repeat till condition breaks

```
python

x = 5
while x > 0:
    print("Counting down:", x)
    x -= 1
```

- Special Keywords:
  - break stop loop early
  - continue skip current iteration

#### Real-Time Use:

- Send 10 emails
- Retry login 3 times
- Countdown timer

## 7. Lists

# Syntax:

```
python

items = ["pen", "book", "bottle"]
```

# Key Actions:

```
items.append("phone")
items.remove("book")
print(items[0]) # pen
print(len(items)) # 3
```

#### **t** Task:

Take 5 marks from user and print the average

```
python

marks = []

for i in range(5):
```

```
m = int(input(f"Enter mark {i+1}: "))
  marks.append(m)

average = sum(marks) / len(marks)
  print("Average marks:", average)
```

## 8. Strings

Strings are sequences of characters

```
name = "python"

print(name[0]) # p

print(name.upper()) # PYTHON
```

## Use Case:

Format username into proper case

```
raw_name = input("Enter your name: ")
print("Welcome,", raw_name.strip().capitalize())
```

- 9. Functions
- Syntax:

python

```
def greet(name):
    print("Hello", name)

greet("Veera")
```

## Function with return:

```
def add(a, b):
    return a + b

print(add(5, 3))
```

## **t** Task:

Write a function to check if a number is prime

```
python

def is_prime(n):
    if n <= 1:
        return False
    for i in range(2, n):
        if n % i == 0:
            return False
        return True

print(is_prime(7))  # True</pre>
```

## 10.Dictionaries & Sets (Intro)

## Dictionary:

```
python

student = {"name": "Veera", "age": 28, "city": "Hyderabad"}
print(student["city"]) # Hyderabad
```

#### Set:

```
python

colors = {"red", "blue", "green", "red"}
print(colors) # No duplicates
```

## 11. Debugging Tips

- Use print() at each step Break big code into
- smaller parts Check types with type()
- Comment unused blocks
- Google error message + try on small input

•



WWW.CODEBOOSTERS.IN

