

computer science

bit – smallest piece of info, 1 or 0

file

computing

syntax error – mistake in structure/syntax

white space

algorithm – instructions for problem

pseudocode – “human speak” code

source code – script we write (object

code is then what is compiled for the computer to read)

keyword – special words in Python

variable – see object reference

assignment – the = sign

expression – line of code that evaluates to a single value (arithmetic, logical, etc)

operator - + - / % etc

concatenation – adding together

object – chunk of memory

object reference – pointer to that chunk

delimiters – brackets, commas, colons...

identifier – the var name

data type

class – what defines a data type (what it can do, make, etc.)

bool (Python type) – True/False

boolean variable – has True/False value

boolean expression – evaluates to bool

dictionary (Python type) – {}, key and value, unordered, mutable,

float (Python type) - decimal

floating-point number – holds float

set (Python type) – {}, unordered, unindexed

list (Python type) – [], ordered, mutable

int (Python type) – no decimal

str (Python type) – chars

immutable - unchangeable

function – def, chunk of code

formal parameter - in def

parameter – see formal parameter

actual parameter - in call

argument – see actual parameter

parameter passing – handing off args to function call

positional parameter – just list, so must be in right order

keyword parameter - formally stated (x = ..., y = ...) in call, any order

main function – calls other functions

method – built in

module – loaded in code

scope – the reach of the vars

value-returning function

statement – the instruction in code

if-else

for loop

while loop