# → Python If...Else

# **Python Conditions and If statements**

Python supports the usual logical conditions from mathematics:

Equals: a == bNot Equals: a != bLess than: a < b</li>

• Less than or equal to: a <= b

• Greater than: a > b

• Greater than or equal to: a >= b

 These conditions can be used in several ways, most commonly in "if statements" and loops

```
# If statement

a = 33
b = 200
if b > a:
   print("b is greater than a")
```

b is greater than a

In this example we use two variables, a and b, which are used as part of the if statement to test whether b is greater than a. As a is 33, and b is 200,

we know that 200 is greater than 33, and so we print to screen that "b is greater than a"."

### ▼ Indentation

Python relies on indentation (whitespace at the beginning of a line) to define scope in the code.

Other programming languages often use curly-brackets for this purpose.

```
# If statement, without indentation (will raise an error):
a = 33
b = 200
if b > a:
print("b is greater than a") # you will get an error
```

## → elif

The elif keyword is pythons way of saying "if the previous conditions were not true, then try this condition".

```
a = 33
b = 33
if b > a:
  print("b is greater than a")
elif a == b:
  print("a and b are equal")

a and b are equal
```

### ▼ else

The else keyword catches anything which isn't caught by the preceding conditions.

```
a = 200
b = 33
if b > a:
    print("b is greater than a")
elif a == b:
    print("a and b are equal")
else:
    print("a is greater than b")
```

a is greater than b

In this example a is greater than b, so the first condition is not true, also the elif condition is not true, so we go to the else condition and print to screen that "a is greater than b". You can also have an else without the elif.

```
a = 200
b = 33
if b > a:
  print("b is greater than a")
else:
  print("b is not greater than a")
```

b is not greater than a

# Short Hand If

If you have only one statement to execute, you can put it on the same line as the if statement

```
if a > b: print("a is greater than b")
    a is greater than b
```

# ▼ Short Hand If ... Else

If you have only one statement to execute, one for if, and one for else, you can put it all on the same line.

This technique is known as Ternary Operators, or Conditional Expressions.

```
a = 2
b = 330
print("A") if a > b else print("B")
```

You can also have multiple else statements on the same line:

One line if else statement, with 3 conditions

```
a = 330
b = 330
print("A") if a > b else print("=") if a == b else print("B")
=
```

### And

The and keyword is a logical operator, and is used to combine conditional statements:

Test if a is greater than b, AND if c is greater than a:

```
a = 200
b = 33
c = 500
if a > b and c > a:
   print("Both conditions are True")
```

Both conditions are True

The or keyword is a logical operator, and is used to combine conditional statements: Test if a is greater than b, OR if a is greater than c.

```
a = 200
b = 33
c = 500
if a > b or a > c:
    print("At least one of the conditions is True")
```

At least one of the conditions is True

# Nested If

You can have if statements inside if statements, this is called nested if statements.

```
x = 41

if x > 10:
    print("Above ten,")
    if x > 20:
        print("and also above 20!")
    else:
        print("but not above 20.")
Above ten,
```

# ▼ The pass Statement

and also above 20!

if statements cannot be empty, but if you for some reason have an if statement with no content, put in the pass statement to avoid getting an error.

```
a = 33
b = 200

if b > a:
   pass
```

