

# Handling Exceptions in Python with `try` and `except`

Proper exception handling improves code robustness and ensures user-friendly error messages when things go wrong.

## 1. Basic Exception Handling with `try` and `except`

The `try` block executes code that might raise exceptions. If an exception occurs, the `except` block catches it and handles it gracefully.

**Example:**

```
def divide_by(a, b):  
    return a / b  
  
try:  
    result = divide_by(40, 0)  
except ZeroDivisionError:  
    print("Something went wrong.")
```

**Output:**

```
Something went wrong.
```

## 2. Catching Specific Exceptions

You can handle specific exceptions to provide tailored error messages.

**Example:**

```
try:  
    result = divide_by(40, 0)  
except ZeroDivisionError:  
    print("Error: We cannot divide by zero.")
```

**Output:**

```
Error: We cannot divide by zero.
```

## 3. Accessing Exception Details

Use the `as` keyword to capture the exception object and retrieve additional information.

**Example:**

```
try:
    result = divide_by(40, 0)
except ZeroDivisionError as e:
    print(f"Error: {e}")
    print(f"Exception Type: {e.__class__}")
```

**Output:**

```
Error: division by zero
Exception Type: <class 'ZeroDivisionError'>
```

## 4. Catching Multiple Exceptions

You can handle different exceptions with multiple `except` blocks.

**Example:**

```
try:
    result = divide_by(40, "10")
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Error: Cannot divide by zero.")
except TypeError:
    print("Error: Unsupported types for division.")
```

**Output:**

```
Error: Unsupported types for division.
```

## 5. Catching All Exceptions

Use the base class `Exception` to handle any type of exception.

**Example:**

```
try:
    result = divide_by(40, 0)
except Exception as e:
    print(f"General error: {e}")
```

Output:

General error: division by zero

6. Combining Specific and Generic Exception Handling

To handle multiple scenarios, start with specific exceptions and fall back to a generic handler.

Example:

```
try:
    result = divide_by(40, 0)
except ZeroDivisionError as e:
    print(f"Math error: {e}")
except Exception as e:
    print(f"General error: {e}")
```

Output:

Math error: division by zero

Summary

Feature	Explanation
try block	Code that might raise an exception.
except block	Handles exceptions that occur in the try block.
Specific Exceptions	Tailor messages for known exceptions like ZeroDivisionError .
Generic Exceptions	Catch all errors using except Exception .
Access Details	Use as e to capture and print exception details like e.__class__ .
Chained Exceptions	Use multiple except blocks for different exception types.

By mastering try and except , you can make your Python programs robust, user-friendly, and maintainable.