

GSET - Intro to Programming with Python

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Logical Statements

What are the four types of sentences?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

We are going to discuss one of these in detail.

Logical Statements

A **logical statement** is a statement that can be evaluated as **true** or **false**.

Why are we discussing this? How are logical statements used in programming?

Logical Statements

A Classic Riddle: Knights and Knaves

John and Bill are standing at a fork in the road. John is standing in front of the left road, and Bill is standing in front of the right road. One of them is a knight (truth-teller) and the other a knave (liar), but you don't know which. You also know that one road leads to good, and the other leads to bad. By asking one yes-no question, can you determine the road to good?

Relational Operators

If you studied mathematics, then you are familiar with these operators.

Name	Symbol	Example
greater than	>	
less than	<	
greater than or equal to	>=	
less than or equal to	<=	
is equals to	==	
not equal to	!=	

Relational Operators

Relational operators are used to create logical statements.

Branching and Program Flow

Previously the programs we have written look like a single line.

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Branching and Program Flow

Commonly Used Flowchart Symbols

- Flowline
- Terminal
- Process
- Decision
- Input/Output
- and many more ...

Flowcharting is a tool for brainstorming and it can be used for communication and education. A flowchart is not a program.

Conditional Statements in Python

Conditional Statements in Python - `if`

Logical Operators and Compound Statements

If you studied programming, then you are probably familiar with these operators.

Name	Symbol	Example
conjunction	\wedge	
disjunction	\vee	
negation	\sim	

Logical Operators and Compound Statements

Compound Logical Statements as conditionals in Python

docs.python.org - Compound Statements

Logical Operators and Compound Statements

Compound Statements and Truth Tables.

—	—	Cmpd. Stmt. C	Cmpd. Stmt. D	Cmpd. Stmt. E
Stmt. A	Stmt. B			

Hint: Use a truth table to solve the Knights and Knaves riddle.