

Errors



Common Errors

SyntaxError

NameError

IndexError

TypeError

ValueError

KeyError

raise



```
raise ValueError
```

We can raise our own exceptions (force them happen)
whenever we want, using the `raise` keyword

raise



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```

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```
try:  
    <code that could generate error>  
except:  
    <code that runs if error raised>
```

We can use the try and except keywords to handle exceptions. If an exception is raised in the try block, the except block will run.

try/except

```
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try:  
    num = int(input("Please enter a number: "))  
except ValueError:  
    print("Oh no, that isn't a number!")
```

Usually it's better to except a specific exception and handle it, rather than handling any possible exception that could occur.

Multiple Excepts



```
try:  
    num = int(input("Enter an integer: "))  
    print(10/num)  
except ValueError:  
    print("That's not an int!")  
except ZeroDivisionError:  
    print("Can't divide by zero!")
```

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Easier to ask for forgiveness than permission

"Assume things exist or will work, and catch exceptions if you're wrong"

Coding style characterized by lots of try/except blocks



Look Before You Leap

Coding style where you explicitly test for pre-conditions before making calls or "leaping". Characterized by lots of if statements

LBYL

"Look"

Check to see if year is numeric.

```
● ● ●  
year = input("Enter a year:")  
if year.isnumeric():  
    year = int(year)  
else:  
    year = 2025
```

"Leap"

Convert year to int once we know it's safe

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Assume it'll work

Try converting year
to an integer

```
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try:  
    year = int(input("Enter a year:"))  
except ValueError:  
    year = 2025
```

Catch exception if

you're wrong!

This code runs if year
can't be cast to an int