# Making Sense of Closures



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## Examples of Closure Use

#### General

Sorting, Filtering, Working with Collections

#### Area-specific

Animation,
Fetching Data, Callbacks,
Completion Handlers

#### Task-specific

Working with User Interface Controls

"Closures let us take lines of code and group it together to use elsewhere in our program."

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// define it
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// call it
myFunction()
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// Call a function that takes a Closure
myFunction({
    print("This is inside a closure")
    // more code...
```

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(Double, Double) -> [String]

"a block of code that takes two Doubles and returns an Array of Strings"

```
// are these two Book elements in the right order already?
if firstBook.readingAge <= secondBook.readingAge {
    return true
} else {
    return false
}</pre>
```