

PYTHON IDENTIFIER

- An identifier is the name you give to any variable, function, class, module, or object in your program.
- An identifier must follow certain rules in Python, and these rules apply to all kinds of identifiers, whether they are variables, functions, classes, or other objects.

Characteristics of Identifiers→

1. Alphanumeric Characters:
 - Identifiers can contain letters (a-z, A-Z), digits (0-9), and underscores (_).
 - However, they cannot start with a digit.
2. Case Sensitive:
 - Python is case-sensitive. This means that myVariable, MyVariable, and MYVARIABLE are considered different identifiers.
3. Cannot be Python Keywords:
 - Identifiers cannot be one of Python's reserved keywords (e.g., if, else, while, class, etc.).
4. Can be Descriptive:
 - Identifiers should be meaningful and descriptive to make the code more readable.
5. Special Characters:
 - Identifiers cannot contain spaces or special characters like @, #, \$, etc. Only underscores _ are allowed to separate words (e.g., my_variable).

Rules for Naming Identifiers→

1. Starts with a letter or underscore:
 - my_var is valid.
 - _myVar is valid.
 - 123abc is invalid (because it starts with a number).
2. Can contain letters, digits, and underscores:
 - my_variable, var_1, a2b3 are valid.

- my-variable is invalid (hyphen is not allowed).
3. Cannot be a keyword:
- if, else, try, class are invalid as identifiers because they are reserved keywords in Python.
4. Cannot contain spaces:
- my variable is invalid.

Valid Identifiers:

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```
age = 25          # valid
name = "John"     # valid
my_var = 100      # valid
score_1 = 89      # valid
_Pi = 3.14159     # valid (underscore at the beginning)
total_amount = 150.75 # valid
myVariable = 10    # valid (case-sensitive)
```

Invalid Identifiers:

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```
1st_place = "First"    # invalid (starts with a number)
total-price = 200       # invalid (contains a hyphen)
class = "Python"        # invalid (reserved keyword)
my variable = "space"   # invalid (contains a space)
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Python Reserved Keywords→

These are reserved words that cannot be used as identifiers because Python uses them for special purposes.

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import keyword
print(keyword.kwlist) # List all Python reserved keywords
```

COMPLETE IDENTIFIER IN PYTHON →

Variable Identifier:

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x = 10      # 'x' is a valid identifier that holds the value 10
y = "Alice" # 'y' is a valid identifier holding the string "Alice"
```

Function Identifier:

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```
def greet(name): # 'greet' is a valid function identifier
    print(f"Hello, {name}!")

greet("Bob") # Output: Hello, Bob!
```

Class Identifier:

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```
class Car: # 'Car' is a valid class identifier
    def __init__(self, make, model):
        self.make = make
        self.model = model

my_car = Car("Toyota", "Corolla") # 'my_car' is an identifier for the Car
```

Module Identifier:

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```
import math # 'math' is the name of the module, and it's an identifier
print(math.pi) # Accessing 'pi' from the 'math' module
```

- Identifiers are names used to identify variables, functions, classes, modules, and other objects in Python.

- They must follow specific naming rules (e.g., not starting with a number, being case-sensitive, not being a reserved keyword).
- Good naming practices make your code more readable and maintainable, helping both you and others understand the program's intent.

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