

BASIC BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS

Function	Explanation
<code>print()</code>	Print text to the console.
<code>input()</code>	Get keyboard input via the console.
<code>import</code>	Announce the use of a specific library in our program.
<code>int()</code>	Convert a string to a numerical value of data type integer.
<code>float()</code>	Convert a string to a numerical value of data type float.
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LOGICAL OPERATORS IN CONDITIONS

Operator	Explanation
<code>=</code>	Assign a value to a variable (not a logical operator!).
<code>==</code>	Compare two values and return <code>True</code> if they are equal.
<code>> or >=</code>	Compares two values and returns true if the left is greater than (or equal to) the right.
<code>< or <=</code>	Compares two values and returns true if the left is less than (or equal to) the right.
<code>!=</code>	Compares two values if they are not equal.
<code>and, or</code>	These operators logically combine two conditions.
<code>not</code>	Negates the expression's result.
<code>x is None</code>	Check if a value if <code>x</code> is <code>None</code> , i.e., not existing.

VARIABLES

Command	Explanation
<code>x = 1</code>	Declaration of a variable <code>x</code> with a value of type integer.
<code>PI = 3.14159</code>	Declaration of a constant PI with a value of type float.
<code>name = "Anna"</code>	Declaration of a variable with a value of type string.
<code>is_over_18 = True</code>	Declaration of a variable with a value of type boolean.
<code>ipcon = IPConnection()</code>	Declaration of a variable holding a complex object.

MATH OPERATORS

Operator	Explanation
<code>+ - / *</code>	The basic arithmetic operators.
<code>% //</code>	Calculates the modulo/integer division of two numbers.
<code>2**3</code>	Calculates 2 to the power of 3.
<code>pow(a, b)</code>	Calculates <code>a</code> to the power of <code>b</code> .

STRINGS

Expression	Explanation
<code>f"Pi is {PI}"</code>	Format string with placeholders in curly braces.
<code>name[1]</code>	Returns the second symbol from the string <code>name</code> .
<code>len(name)</code>	Returns the number of characters in the string.
<code>"n" in Anna</code>	Checks if the string on the left is contained in the string on the right.
<code>name.strip()</code>	Remove whitespaces at the beginning/end of a string.
<code>name.upper()</code>	Make all letters uppercase.
<code>name.lower()</code>	Make all letters lowercase.

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TIME

Function

`time.sleep(1.5)`

Explanation

Wait for 1.5 seconds.

`time.time()`

Get the current date/time as a UNIX timestamp.

RANDOM

Function

`random.randint(0, 10)`

Explanation

Generate a pseudo-random whole number between 0 and 10.

`random.random()`

Generate a pseudo-random real number between 0 and 1.

`random.choice(list_a)`

Choose a random element from `list_a`, which must be a list/array.

CONDITIONALS

Command

`if x == 1:`

Explanation

Check if `x` is one and execute the code block if true.

`elif x == 2:`

Add another case to an existing `if`-statement.

`else:`

Default code branch if all conditions are false.

MATH

Operator

`math.sqrt(a)`

Explanation

Calculate the square root from `a`.

`math.pi, math.e`

Explanation

Get the value of the mathematical constants.

`round()`

Explanation

Round to the nearest integer.

`math.floor()`

`math.ceil()`

Explanation

Round up or down.

`math.log()`

Explanation

Natural logarithm

`math.log(x, base)`

Explanation

Logarithm to base.

CUSTOM FUNCTIONS

Operator

`def my_func(x):`

Explanation

Define a function `my_func` with one parameter `x`.

`return x**2`

Return a result from a function to the caller.

`def power(exp=2):`

Define a function with one parameter that has a default value.

LISTS

Expression

`vals = [1, 2, 3]`

Explanation

Create a list with three elements.

`vals[0]`

Explanation

Get the first element from `vals`.

`vals.append(5)`

Explanation

Append an element (5) to the list `vals`.

`vals[0:2]`

Explanation

Get the first three elements from `vals`.

`len(vals)`

Explanation

Get the number of elements in the list.

`vals.pop()`

Explanation

Get the first element and remove it from `vals`.

`for v in vals: print(v)`

Explanation

Iterate through all elements in `vals` and store the current element on `v`. Print each element.

LOOPS

Operator

`while a < b:`

Explanation

Repeat code as long as `a` is less than `b`.

`for i in range(10):`

Explanation

Repeat 10 times (for values `i` = 0...9).

`break`

Explanation

Leave the loop immediately.