os.name

The os module has both callable functions and normal values. In the case of **os.name**, it is just a value. When you access os.name, you will get information about what platform you are running on. You will receive one of the following values: 'posix', 'nt', 'os2', 'ce', 'java', 'riscos'.

```python
import os
print(os.name)
# 'posix'
```

This tells us that our Python instance is running on a Windows box. How do we know this? Because Microsoft started calling its operating system NT many years ago. For example, Windows 7 is also known as Windows NT 6.1.