# Python 3 cheatsheet (the basics)



Interact with the user (input and output)

```
Print a message
print('Hello, world!')
Print multiple values (of different types)
 ndays = 365
 print('There are', ndays, 'in a year')
Asking the user for a string
name = input('What is your name? ')
Asking the user for a whole number (an integer)
 num = int(input('Enter a number: '))
```

# Decide between options

```
Decide to run a block (or not)
```

```
if x == 3:
 print('x is 3')
```

#### Decide between two blocks

```
mark = 80
if mark >= 50:
  print('pass')
else:
  print('fail')
```

#### Decide between many blocks

```
mark = 80
if mark >= 65:
  print('credit')
elif mark >= 50:
  print('pass')
else:
  print('fail')
```

▶elif can be used without else The answer is a Boolean: •elif can be used many times

Are two values equal?

```
x == 3
```

 $\triangle$  two equals signs, not one

Are two values not equal?

Less than another?

x < 3

Greater than another?

Less than or equal to?

x <= 3

Greater than or equal to?

$$x >= 3$$

True

or False

# String manipulation

# Compare two strings

```
msg = 'hello'
if msg == 'hello':
  print('howdy')
```

# Less than another string?

```
if msg < 'n':</pre>
  print('a-m')
else:
  print('m-z')
```

△ strings are compared character at a time (lexicographic order)

Is a character in a string?

```
'e' in msg
```

Is a string in another string?

'ell' in msg

Convert to uppercase

msg.upper()

also lower and title

Count a character in a string msg.count('l')

Replace a character or string msg.replace('l','X')

Delete a character or string

msg.replace('l','')

Is the string all lowercase?

msg.islower()

also isupper and istitle

# Text (strings)

```
Single quoted
 'perfect'
```

Double quoted

"credit"

Multi-line

'''Hello, World!'''

Add (concatenate) strings

'Hello' + 'World'

Multiply string by integer

'Echo...'\*4

Length of a string

len('Hello')

Convert string to integer

int('365')

#### Variables

```
Creating a variable
```

celsius = 25

Using a variable

celsius\*9/5 + 32

# Whole numbers (integers)

```
Addition and subtraction
```

```
365 + 1 - 2
```

Multiplication and division

Powers (2 to the power of 8)

2\*\*8

Convert integer to string

str(365)

# Repeat a block (a fixed number of times)

# Repeat a block 10 times

```
for i in range(10):
 print(i)
```

# Sum the numbers 0 to 9

```
total = 0
for i in range(10):
  total = total + i
print(total)
```

#### Repeat a block over a string

```
for c in 'Hello':
 print(c)
```

#### Keep printing on one line

```
for c in 'Hello':
print(c, end=' ')
print('!')
```

# Count from 0 to 9

△ range starts from 0 and goes up to, but not including, 10

### Count from 1 to 10

range(1, 11)

Count from 10 down to 1

range(10, 0, -1)

Count 2 at a time to 10

range(0, 11, 2)

Count down 2 at a time

range(10, 0, -2)

# Repeat a block over list (or string) indices

```
msg = 'I grok Python!'
for i in range(len(msg)):
  print(i, msg[i])
```

# Putting it together: Celsius to Fahrenheit converter

Ask the user for a temperature in degrees Celsius celsius = int(input('Temp. in Celsius: '))

Calculate the conversion

fahrenheit = celsius\*9/5 + 32

Output the result

print(fahrenheit, 'Fahrenheit')





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#### Lists of things (you want to keep in order)

```
Create a new list
                  songs = ["Thriller", "Downtown"]
 songs = []
Add an item to the list
 songs.append("Space Oddity")
Sort the items
 songs.sort()
Find the number of items
 numSongs = len(songs)
Access the item at a particular index
 index = 0
 print(songs[index])
Overwrite the last item in the list
 songs[-1] = "Billy Jean"
Remove an item at a particular index
 last = songs.pop()
 first = songs.pop(0)
Find an item and remove it
 songs.remove("Thriller")
```

```
Dictionaries (you look up with a key)
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```
Create a new dictionary
 info = \{\}
Or provide some initial values
 info = {
     "First name": "Ada",
"Last name": "Lovelace",
"Home town": "London",
 }
Set the value for a particular key
 info["First name"] = "Clara"
 info["Last name"] = "Oswald"
Access a value using the key
 first = info["First name"]
                                         ⚠ The key must be found
Find a value for a key that might be missing
 first = info.get("First name")
Discover if a key is in the dictionary
 if "First name" in info:
     print("Found it!")
Iterate over the dictionary
 for key, value in info.items():
    print(key, "is set to", value)
 for key in info:
     print(info[key])
```

 $\triangle$  When accessing lists by index, or dictionaries by key, the item must generally be in the collection. Otherwise you will see an IndexError or KeyError.

#### Repeat a block (until something is no longer True)

```
while True:
    print("I know a song that will get on your nerves ...")
    print(" ... get on your nerves ... get on your nerves!")
```

#### Repeat for as long as some condition is True

```
x = 1
while x < 1000:
    x = 4*x + x
    print(x)</pre>
```

#### Keep going until you run out of list items

```
songs = ["Thriller", "Billy Jean", "Downtown"]
while songs:
   nextSong = songs.pop(0)
   print("The next song is " + nextSong)
```

#### Stop looping early

```
x = 1
while True:
    x = x + 1
    if x > 10:
        break
```

#### Skip the current block and go round again

```
 \begin{array}{l} x = 10 \\ \text{while } x: \\ x = x - 1 \\ \text{if } x \% \ 2 == 0: \\ \text{continue} \\ \text{print}(x, \text{ end=""}) \end{array}  This will print odd numbers in descending order by 'continuing' past the even ones.
```