

Basic operators: +, -, *, /, // (integer division), % (modulus), ** (exponentiation)

Print statement: `print(thing1, thing2,... [end = "\n"])`

Print a blank line `print()`

Conditional statements - **if**, **elif** and **else**:

<code>if <condition>: statement statement statement</code>	<code>if <condition>: statement statement else: statement statement</code>	<code>if <condition>: statement elif <condition>: statement else: statement</code>
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Make sure your `<condition>` resolves to a Boolean (**True** or **False**) value. Don't forget the colon at the end of **if**, **elif** and **else** and remember to indent accordingly.

Relational operators: >, <, ==, !=, >=, <=

Loops – **for** loop and **while** loop:

for loop:

`for iterating_var in sequence:`

statement

statement

...

<code>for i in range(5): print(i, end = " ")</code>	<code>for value in [1,3,4,6,8]: print(value, end = " ")</code>	<code>for char in "hello": print(char, end = " ")</code>
# 0 1 2 3 4	# 1 3 4 6 8	# h e l l o

`range()` function: `range([start], stop, [step])`

Generate a sequence from `start` up to but not including `stop`, with a difference of `step` between consecutive items. `start` and `step` are optional parameters, if omitted, they default to 0 and 1, respectively.

<code>>> range(7)</code> 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	<code>>> range(1, 7)</code> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	<code>>> range(1, 7, 2)</code> 1, 3, 5	<code>>> range(7, 3, -1)</code> 7, 6, 5, 4
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while loop:

`while <condition>:`

statement

statement

Strings:

Operation	Syntax	Example aStr = "Hello!"	Result
Indexing: Access a character in a string ¹	<code>aStr[index]</code>	<code>aStr[1]</code>	'e'
Slicing: Extract part of a string ²	<code>aStr[start: stop]</code>	<code>aStr[1:5]</code>	'ello'
Concatenation	<code>aStr + anotherStr</code>	<code>aStr + ' Yay!'</code>	'Hello! Yay!'
Repetition	<code>aStr * i</code>	<code>aStr * 3</code>	'Hello!Hello!Hello!'
Membership: check if a substring is in a string	<code>subStr in aStr</code>	<code>'llo' in aStr</code>	True
Length: return the number of characters in a string	<code>len(aStr)</code>	<code>len(aStr)</code>	6

¹ Indexing: 0-based index: 0, 1, 2, 3, ...

`aStr[-1]` returns the last character of the string, `aStr[-2]` returns the 2nd last character of the string,...

² Slicing: If `start` is omitted, it defaults to 0 (slice starts at the 1st character). If `stop` is omitted, it defaults to -1 (slice ends at the last character)

Other string operations:

Operation	Explanation
<code>aStr.upper()</code>	Return <code>aStr</code> in all upper-case characters
<code>aStr.lower()</code>	Return <code>aStr</code> in all lower-case characters
<code>aStr.strip()</code>	Return <code>aStr</code> with leading and trailing whitespaces removed
<code>aStr.count(subStr)</code>	Return number of occurrences of <code>subStr</code> in <code>aStr</code>
<code>aStr.split()</code>	Return a list of substrings of <code>aStr</code> separated by whitespace.
<code>aStr.find(subStr)</code>	Return the starting index of the first occurrence of <code>subStr</code> in <code>aStr</code>
<code>aStr.replace(old, new)</code>	Return a new string with all occurrences of <code>old</code> in <code>aStr</code> replaced by <code>new</code>

Lists

Indexing, Slicing, Concatenation, Repetition, Membership & Length: see *String*

Operation	Explanation
<code>aList = list()</code> or <code>aList = []</code>	Initialize a new, empty list
<code>aList.append(item)</code>	Add <code>item</code> to the end of <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.extend(otherList)</code>	Extend <code>aList</code> by adding all items in <code>otherList</code> to the end of <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.insert(pos, item)</code>	Insert <code>item</code> to <code>aList</code> at index <code>pos</code>
<code>aList.pop()</code>	Remove and return the last item in <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.pop(pos)</code>	Remove and return the item at index <code>pos</code> from <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.remove(item)</code>	Remove the first occurrence of <code>item</code> in <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.index(item)</code>	Return the index of the first occurrence of <code>item</code> in <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.count(item)</code>	Return the number of occurrences of <code>item</code> in <code>aList</code>
<code>aList.sort()</code>	Sort <code>aList</code> (default = ascending)
<code>aList.reverse()</code>	Reverse the order of <code>aList</code>

Dictionaries

Operation	Explanation
<code>aDict = dict()</code> or <code>aDict = {}</code>	Initialize a new, empty dictionary
<code>len(aDict)</code>	Return the number of key-value pairs in <code>aDict</code>
<code>aDict[aKey] = aValue</code>	Add a new key-value pair to a dictionary. If key <code>aKey</code> exists, this will modify the value of <code>aDict[aKey]</code> instead
<code>aKey in aDict</code>	Returns True if <code>aKey</code> is in <code>aDict</code> , otherwise False
<code>del aDict[aKey]</code>	Delete the key-value pair in <code>aDict</code> whose key is <code>aKey</code>

Sets

Operation	Explanation
<code>aSet = set()</code>	Initialize a new, empty set
<code>aSet = set(sequence)</code>	Create a new set from a sequence
<code>len(aSet)</code>	Return the number of elements in <code>aSet</code>
<code>ele in aSet</code>	Return True if <code>ele</code> is in <code>aSet</code> , otherwise False
<code>aSet.add(ele)</code>	Add element <code>ele</code> to <code>aSet</code>
<code>aSet.remove(ele)</code>	Remove element <code>ele</code> from <code>aSet</code>
<code>aSet.union(anotherSet)</code> <code>aSet anotherSet</code>	Return a new set with elements from both <code>aSet</code> and <code>anotherSet</code>
<code>aSet.intersection(anotherSet)</code> <code>aSet & anotherSet</code>	Return a new set with elements common to <code>aSet</code> and <code>anotherSet</code>
<code>aSet.difference(anotherSet)</code> <code>aSet - anotherSet</code>	Return a new set with elements in <code>aSet</code> but not in <code>anotherSet</code>
<code>aSet.symmetric_difference(anotherSet)</code> <code>aSet ^ anotherSet</code>	Return a new set with elements from either <code>aSet</code> or <code>anotherSet</code> , but not both

Files

Operation	Explanation
<code>open(filename, [mode])</code> <code>f = open('input.txt')</code>	Open a file to be used. The modes are <code>'r'</code> (read-only, default), <code>'w'</code> (write-only), <code>'a'</code> (append), <code>'r+'</code> (both reading and writing)
<code>f.close()</code>	Close the file after reading / writing
<code>for line in f:</code> <code>statement</code>	Loop through a file, line-by-line
<code>f.read()</code>	Return the whole file as a single string
<code>f.readline()</code>	Return the next line from the file
<code>f.readlines()</code>	Return a list containing all the lines (string) of the file
<code>f.write(aString)</code>	Write <code>aString</code> to the file