



**SKILLPILLS**

# **Skill Pill: Programming with Python**

String manipulation

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- Defined with quotes (single or double)
  - `>>>> s = "Skill Pills are awesome!"`
- Single characters are strings too
- Printing several strings
  - `>>>> print "I'm telling you," , s`
    - ★ `I'm telling you, Skill Pills are awesome!`
- Special characters: `'\n'` (new line), `'\t'` (tabulation)



# Treating strings as lists

- `>>> s = "Skill Pills are awesome!"`
- `>>> "Skills" in`
  - ★ `False`
- `>>> "boring" not in s`
  - ★ `True`
- `>>> s[0]`
  - ★ `'S'`
- `>>> s[0:11]`
  - ★ `'Skill Pills'`
- `>>> "I love " + s[0:11]`
  - ★ `'I love Skill Pills'`
- `>>> 3 * "Hip hip? Hooray! "`
  - ★ `'Hip hip? Hooray! Hip hip? Hooray! Hip hip? Hooray! '`
- `>>> len(s)`
  - ★ `24`
- `>>> [min(s), max(s)]`
  - ★ `[' ', 'w']`
- `>>> s.index("awesome")`
  - ★ `16`
- `>>> [ s.count("a"), s.count("S"), s.count("s") ]`
  - ★ `[2, 1, 2]`



- `>>> "I like %s and %s." % ("apples", "oranges") # Old style`
  - ★ `'I like apples and oranges.'`
- `>>> "I like {} and {}." .format("apples", "oranges") # New style`
  - ★ `'I like apples and oranges.'`
- `>>> "I like {1} and {0}." .format("apples", "oranges")`
  - ★ `'I like oranges and apples.'`
- `>>> "I like {1}, {0} and {0}." .format("apples", "oranges")`
  - ★ `'I like oranges, apples and apples.'`



# Padding and truncating

- `>>> "Take {:9} Skill Pills".format('three') # Padding right`  
★ `'Take three Skill Pills'`
- `>>> "Take {:>9} Skill Pills".format('three') # Padding left`  
★ `'Take three Skill Pills'`
- `>>> "Take {:{} } Skill Pills".format('three', 9) # Padding right`  
★ `'Take three Skill Pills'`
- `>>> "Take {:^9} Skill Pills".format('three') # Centering`  
★ `'Take three Skill Pills'`
- `>>> "Take {:=^9} Skill Pills".format('three') # Centering between  
=`  
★ `'Take ==three== Skill Pills'`
- `>>> "Take {:.5} Skill Pills".format('three million') # Truncating`  
★ `'Take three Skill Pills'`



# Formatting numbers

- `>>> "1+1= {}".format(3.141592653)`  
★ `'1+1= 3.141592653'`
- `>>> "1+1= {:f}".format(3.141592653)`  
★ `'1+1= 3.141593'`
- `>>> "1+1= {:f}".format(1.5)`  
★ `'1+1= 1.500000'`
- `>>> "1+1= {:06.4}".format(3.141592653)`  
★ `'1+1= 03.142'`
- `>>> "1+1= {:d}".format(2)`  
★ `'1+1= 2'`
- `>>> "1+1= {:05d}".format(2)`  
★ `'1+1= 00002'`
- `>>> "1+1= {:+d}".format(6)`  
★ `'1+1= +6'`
- `>>> "1+1= {: d}".format(6)`  
★ `'1+1= 6'`



# Other possibilities

- `>>> "I like {fruit} and {bestfruit}." .format(fruit="apples", bestfruit="oranges")`
  - ★ `'I like apples and oranges.'`
- `>>> fruits={'fruit':'apples','bestfruit':'oranges'} # Dictionary`
- `>>> "I like {fruit} and {bestfruit}." .format(**fruits)`
  - ★ `'I like apples and oranges.'`
- `>>> "I like {p[fruit]} and {p[bestfruit]}." .format(p=fruits)`
  - ★ `'I like apples and oranges.'`
- `>>> from datetime import datetime`
- `>>> '{:%Y-%m-%d %H:%M}'.format(datetime(2001, 2, 3, 4, 5))`
  - ★ `'2001-02-03 04:05'`



# String methods

- `>>> s="skill pills"`
- `>>> s.capitalize()`
  - ★ `'Skill pills'`
- `>>> s.title()`
  - ★ `'Skill Pills'`
- `>>> s.upper()`
  - ★ `'SKILL PILLS'`
- `>>> s.islower()`
  - ★ `True`
- `>>> s.isupper()`
  - ★ `False`
- `>>> "31415".isdigit()`
  - ★ `True`
- `>>> " + ".join(["1","2","five","70","..."])`
  - ★ `'1 + 2 + five + 70 + ...'`
- `>>> " hi\n ".strip()`
  - ★ `'hi'`
- `>>> s.split()`
  - ★ `['skill', 'pills']`
- `>>> s.find("pills")`
  - ★ `6`
- `>>> s.replace("pills","syringes")`
  - ★ `'skill syringes'`
- `>>> "1".zfill(3)`
  - ★ `'001'`





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