

Lecture 5: Conditions

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Recap

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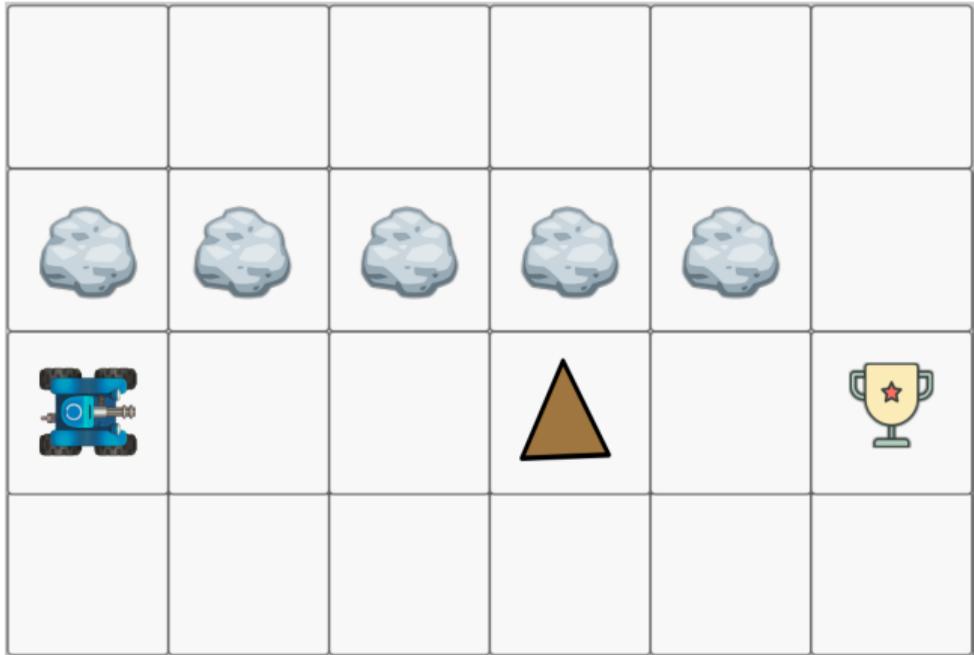
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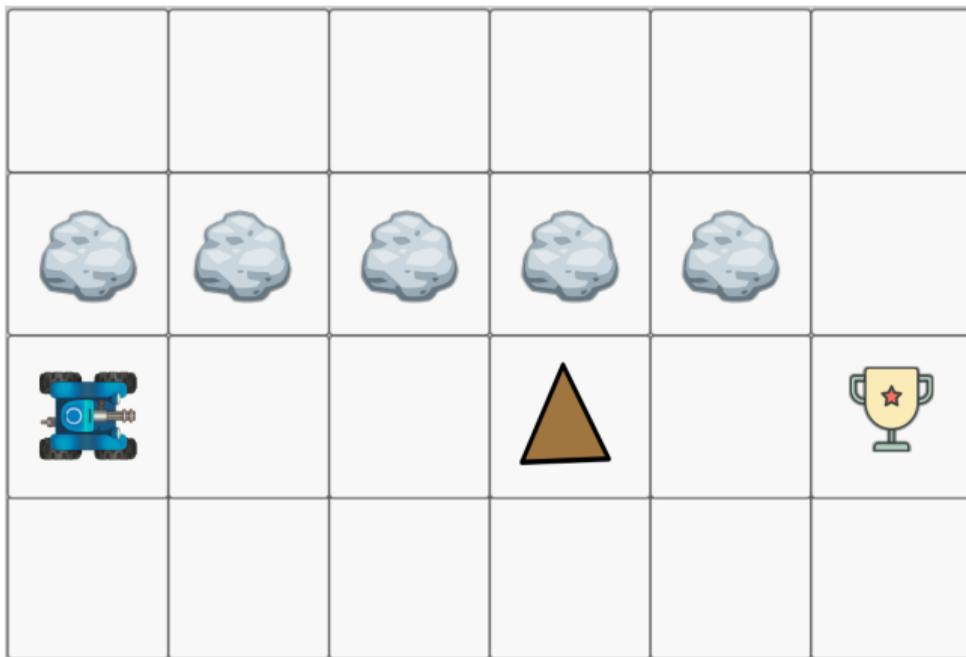


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- ▶ `if dirt:` ×1

- **Solution:**

- 1 `repeat 5:`
- 2 `if dirt:`
- 3 `remove()`
- 4 `forward()`



Why Conditions?

Programs need to make **decisions!**

grade \geq 50?

Pass

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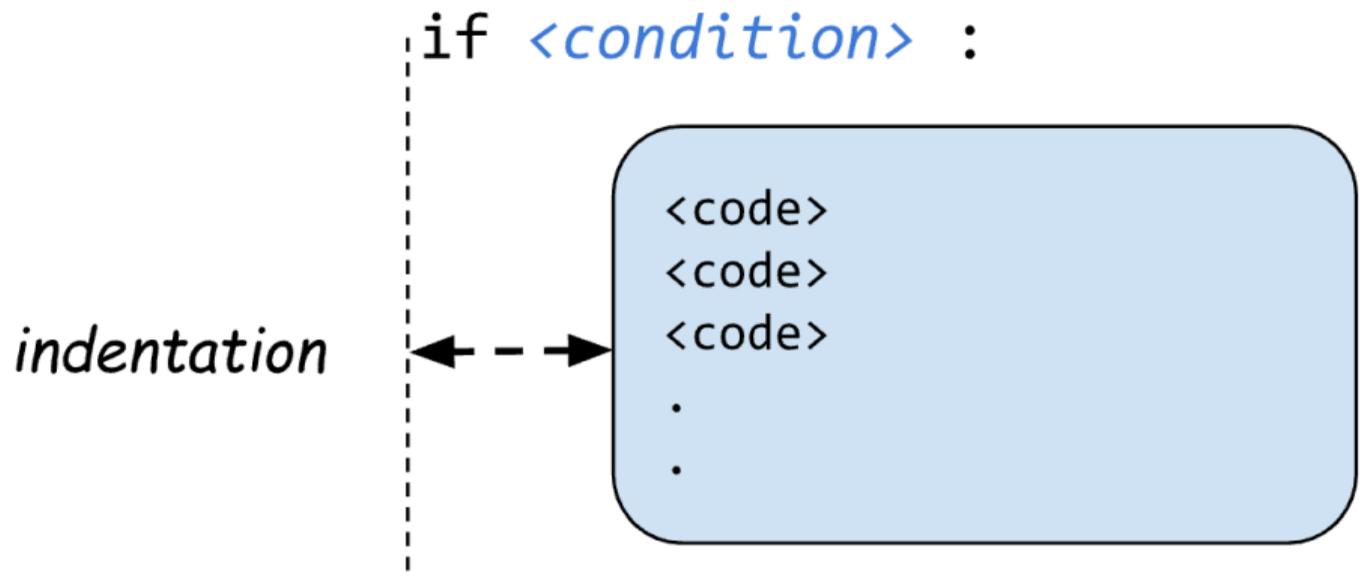
password correct?

login

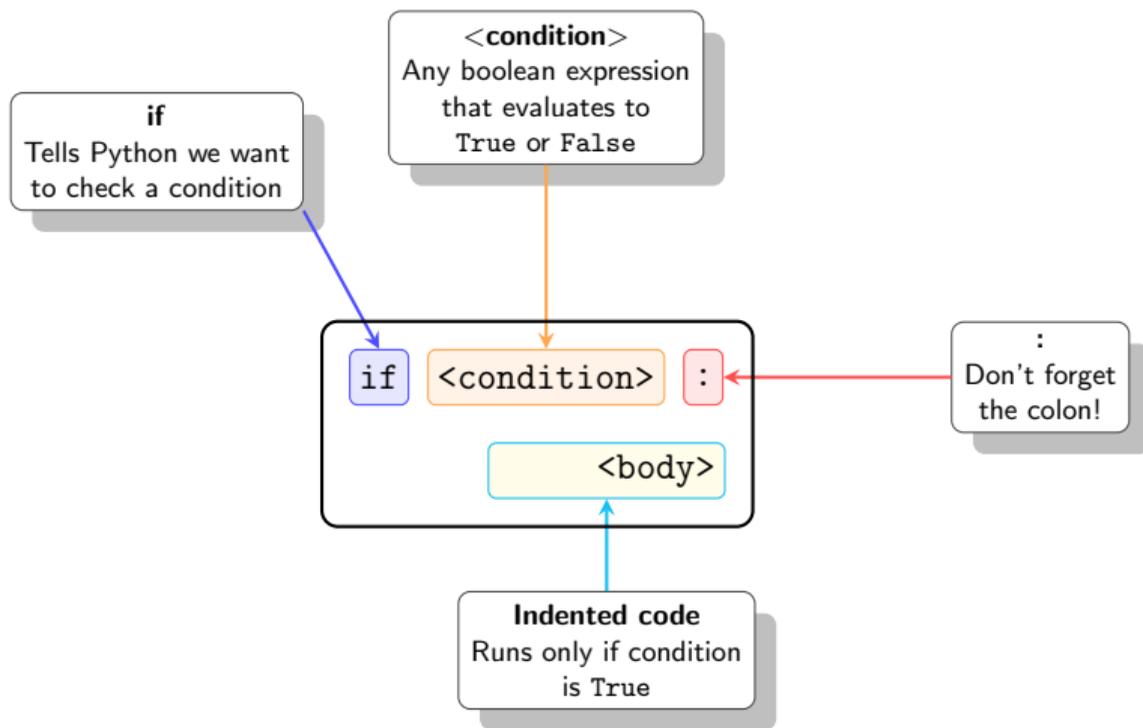
error

The if Statement

The **if** command:

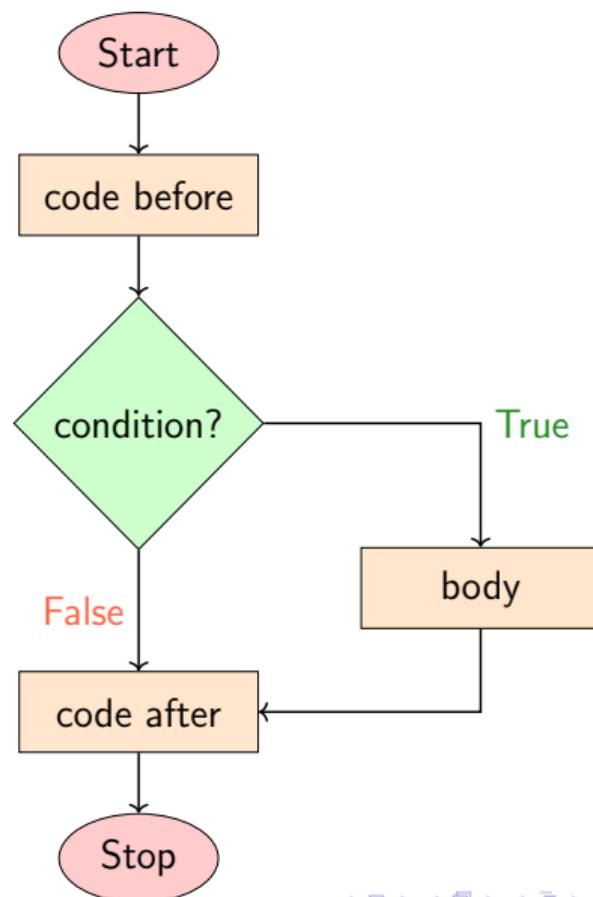


if Syntax



if Flowchart

- Evaluate the condition
 - ▶ If **True** → execute the body
 - ▶ If **False** → skip the body
- Continue with code after



Example: Even Number

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Trace 1: `num = 6`

`6 % 2 == 0` → `True` → prints `"6 is Even"`

Then prints `"Bye"`

Example: Even Number

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1 num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
2 if num % 2 == 0:
3     print(f"{num} is Even")
4 print("Bye")
```

Trace 1: `num = 6`

`6 % 2 == 0` → `True` → prints "6 is Even"

Then prints "Bye"

Trace 2: `num = 7`

`7 % 2 == 0` → `False` → *skip body*

Then prints "Bye"

Example: Even Number

```
1 num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
2 if num % 2 == 0:
3     print(f"{num} is Even")
4 print("Bye")
```

Trace 1: `num = 6`

`6 % 2 == 0` → `True` → prints "6 is Even"

Then prints "Bye"

Trace 2: `num = 7`

`7 % 2 == 0` → `False` → *skip body*

Then prints "Bye"

Notice: "Bye" prints
in **BOTH** cases,
it's **outside** the if!

Example: Temperature

```
1 temp = int(input("Temperature: "))
2 if temp > 30:
3     print("It's hot today!")
4     print("Stay hydrated!")
5 print("Have a good day!")
```

Example: Temperature

```
1 temp = int(input("Temperature: "))
2 if temp > 30:
3     print("It's hot today!")
4     print("Stay hydrated!")
5 print("Have a good day!")
```

Trace 1: `temp = 35`

`35 > 30` → `True` → prints **both** body lines

Then prints `"Have a good day!"`

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2 if temp > 30:
3     print("It's hot today!")
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5 print("Have a good day!")
```

Trace 1: `temp = 35`

`35 > 30` → `True` → prints **both** body lines
Then prints "Have a good day!"

Trace 2: `temp = 20`

`20 > 30` → `False` → *skip both body lines*
Then prints "Have a good day!"

You Try

What is the output?

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2 if age >= 18:
3     print("You can vote!")
4 print("Thanks for checking.")
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If age = 15:

15 >= 18 → False → only prints "Thanks for checking."

You Try

What is the output?

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1 age = int(input("Your age: "))
2 if age >= 18:
3     print("You can vote!")
4 print("Thanks for checking.")
```

If age = 15:

15 >= 18 → False → only prints "Thanks for checking."

If age = 18:

18 >= 18 → True → prints "You can vote!"

Then prints "Thanks for checking."

Tricky!

Indentation changes the meaning!

Code A

```
1 x = 5
2 if x > 10:
3     print("Big")
4     print("Number")
```

Code B

```
1 x = 5
2 if x > 10:
3     print("Big")
4 print("Number")
```

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```

Output: *(nothing)*

Both prints are **inside** the if

Code B

```
1 x = 5
2 if x > 10:
3     print("Big")
4 print("Number")
```

Output: Number

Second print is **outside** the if

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4 print("Number")
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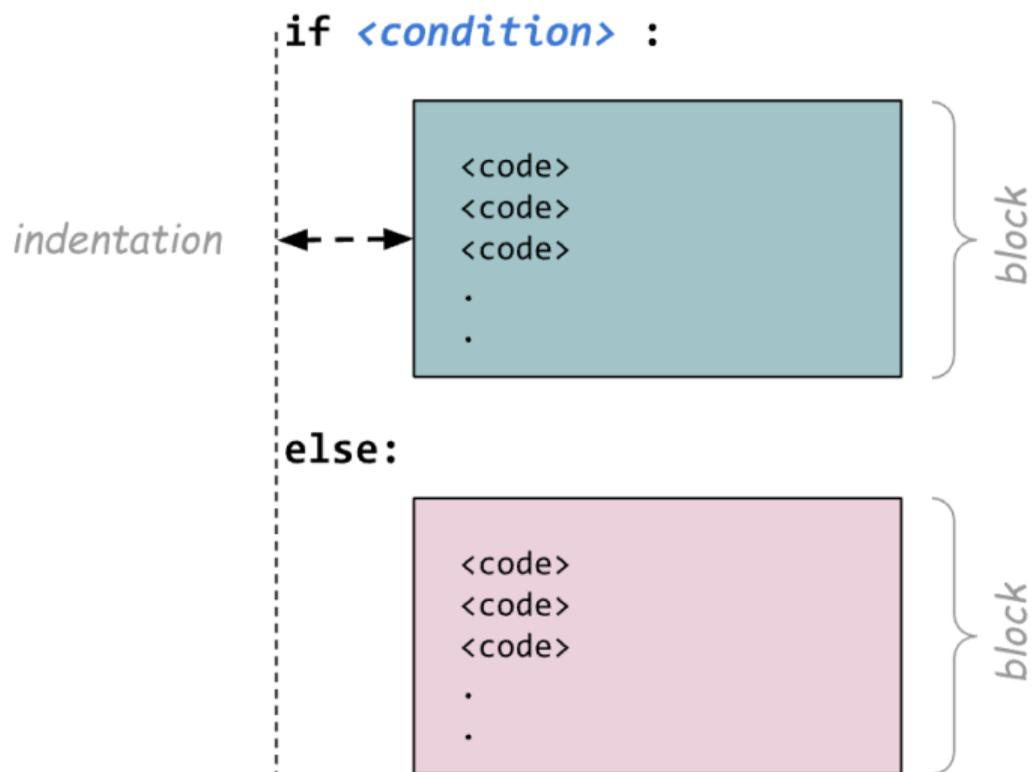
Output: Number

Second print is **outside** the if

Same code, different indentation, different behavior!

The `if/else` Statement

The **if/else** command:



if/else Syntax

```
if <condition> :
```

```
    <body1>
```

```
else:
```

```
    <body2>
```

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runs if condition
is True



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<body2>
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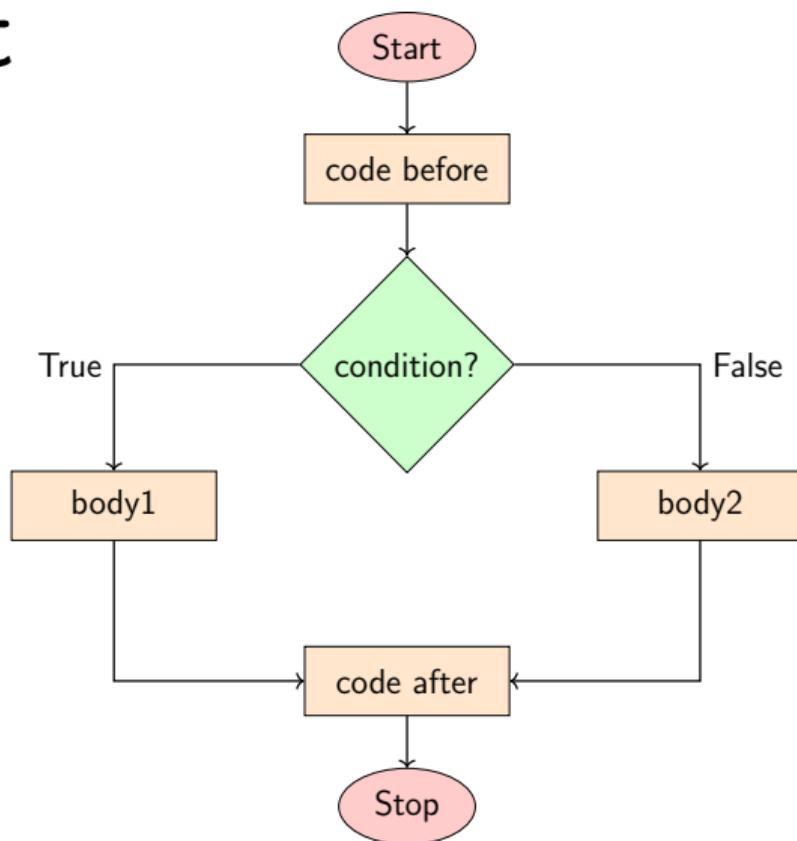
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is False



Rule: Exactly **ONE** body always runs. **Never both, never neither.**

if/else Flowchart

- Evaluate the condition
- If **True** → execute body1
- If **False** → execute body2
- Continue with code after



Example: Weather

```
1 answer = input("Is it raining? (yes/no): ")
2 if answer == "yes":
3     print("Take an umbrella!")
4 else:
5     print("Enjoy the sunshine!")
6 print("Have a great day!")
```

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Trace 1: `answer = "yes"`

`"yes" == "yes" → True → "Take an umbrella!"`

Then: `"Have a great day!"`

Trace 2: `answer = "no"`

`"no" == "yes" → False → "Enjoy the sunshine!"`

Example: Pass/Fail

```
1 score = int(input("Enter your score: "))
2 if score >= 50:
3     print("You passed!")
4 else:
5     print("You failed. Try again!")
```

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1 score = int(input("Enter your score: "))
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3     print("You passed!")
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```

Trace 1: `score = 72`

`72 >= 50` → `True` → `"You passed!"`

Example: Pass/Fail

```
1 score = int(input("Enter your score: "))
2 if score >= 50:
3     print("You passed!")
4 else:
5     print("You failed. Try again!")
```

Trace 1: `score = 72`

`72 >= 50` → `True` → "You passed!"

Trace 2: `score = 35`

`35 >= 50` → `False` → "You failed. Try again!"

You Try

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```
1 num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
2 if num % 2 == 0:
3     print(f"{num} is even")
4 else:
5     print(f"{num} is odd")
```

You Try: Fix the Bug X

```
1 x = int(input("Enter x: "))
2 y = int(input("Enter y: "))
3 if x == y:
4     print(x, "and", y, "are equal!")
5 print("They match!")
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Fix: indent it into the if body, or restructure with if/else:

```
1 if x == y:
2     print(x, "and", y, "are equal!")
3     print("They match!")
4 else:
5     print("They are different!")
```

The elif Chain

Multiple `ifs` — A Problem

```
1 score = 85
2 if score >= 90:
3     grade = "A"
4 if score >= 80:
5     grade = "B"
6 if score >= 70:
7     grade = "C"
8 if score >= 60:
9     grade = "D"
```

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Trace: `score = 85`

`85 >= 90` → `False` (skip)

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9     grade = "D"
```

Trace: `score = 85`

```
85 >= 90 → False (skip)
85 >= 80 → True → grade = "B"
85 >= 70 → True → grade = "C"
85 >= 60 → True → grade = "D"
```

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```

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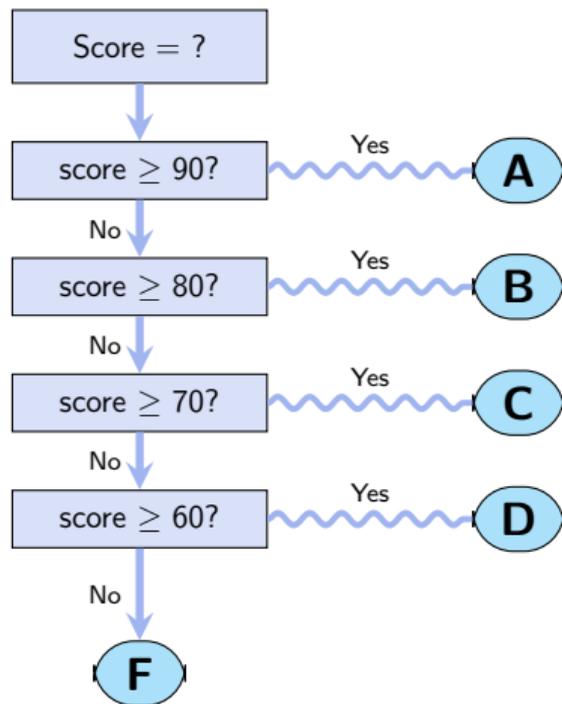
```
85 >= 90 → False (skip)
85 >= 80 → True → grade = "B"
85 >= 70 → True → grade = "C"
85 >= 60 → True → grade = "D"
```

Wrong! `grade = "D"`
for a score of 85! All
conditions are checked
independently.

elif – The Waterfall Model

Think of `elif` chains like a **waterfall**:

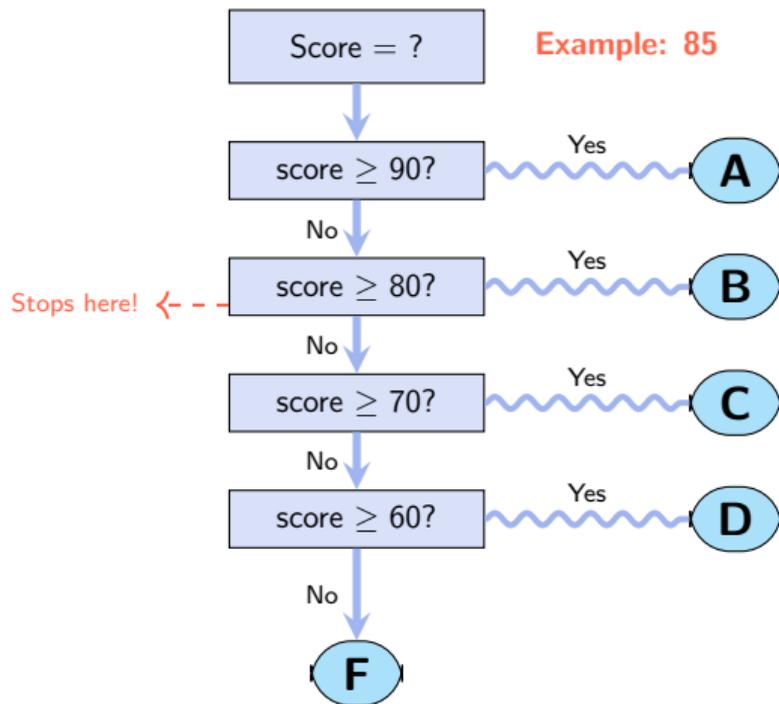
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First True Wins!

Once Python finds a **True** condition:

- 1 Executes that block of code
- 2 **Skips** all remaining `elif` and `else` blocks
- 3 Continues with code **after** the entire structure

```
1 score = 85
2 if score >= 90: # False - skip
3     print("A")
4 elif score >= 80: # True - Run this!
5     print("B")
6 elif score >= 70: # Never checked
7     print("C")
8 else: # Never checked
9     print("F")
10 print("Done grading") # Always runs
```

Example: Letter Grade

```
1 score = int(input("Enter score: "))
2 if score >= 90:
3     grade = "A"
4 elif score >= 80:
5     grade = "B"
6 elif score >= 70:
7     grade = "C"
8 elif score >= 60:
9     grade = "D"
10 else:
11     grade = "F"
12 print(f"Your grade is {grade}")
```

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Trace 1: score = 85

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```

Trace 1: score = 85

85 >= 90 → False

85 >= 80 → True → grade = "B" →

STOP

Output: "Your grade is B"

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7     grade = "C"
8 elif score >= 60:
9     grade = "D"
10 else:
11     grade = "F"
12 print(f"Your grade is {grade}")
```

Trace 1: score = 85

85 >= 90 → False

85 >= 80 → True → grade = "B" →

STOP

Output: "Your grade is B" Trace

2: score = 55

All conditions False → else → grade = "F"

Output: "Your grade is F"

Example: Day Greeting

```
1 day = input("What day is it? ")
2 if day == "Monday":
3     print("Start of the week!")
4 elif day == "Friday":
5     print("Almost weekend!")
6 elif day == "Saturday" or \
7     day == "Sunday":
8     print("Weekend! Relax!")
9 else:
10    print("Keep going!")
```

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8     print("Weekend! Relax!")
9 else:
10    print("Keep going!")
```

Trace: day = "Friday"
"Friday" == "Monday" → False
"Friday" == "Friday" → True →
"Almost weekend!" → **STOP**

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5     print("Almost weekend!")
6 elif day == "Saturday" or \
7     day == "Sunday":
8     print("Weekend! Relax!")
9 else:
10    print("Keep going!")
```

Trace: day = "Friday"

"Friday" == "Monday" → False

"Friday" == "Friday" → True →

"Almost weekend!" → **STOP**

Trace: day = "Wednesday"

All conditions False → else →

"Keep going!"

You Try

Write an `elif` chain for temperature categories:

- Above 35: `"Extremely hot!"`
- 25–35: `"Nice weather"`
- 15–24: `"A bit cool"`
- Below 15: `"Cold! Wear a jacket"`

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```
1 temp = int(input("Temperature: "))
2 if temp > 35:
3     print("Extremely hot!")
4 elif temp >= 25:
5     print("Nice weather")
6 elif temp >= 15:
7     print("A bit cool")
8 else:
9     print("Cold! Wear a jacket")
```

Tricky!

What happens if we reverse the order?

```
1 score = 95
2 if score >= 60:
3     grade = "D"
4 elif score >= 70:
5     grade = "C"
6 elif score >= 80:
7     grade = "B"
8 elif score >= 90:
9     grade = "A"
```

Tricky!

What happens if we reverse the order?

```
1 score = 95
2 if score >= 60:
3     grade = "D"
4 elif score >= 70:
5     grade = "C"
6 elif score >= 80:
7     grade = "B"
8 elif score >= 90:
9     grade = "A"
```

Trace: `score = 95`

`95 >= 60` → `True` → `grade = "D"` →

STOP

A score of 95 gets a D!

Tricky!

What happens if we reverse the order?

```
1 score = 95
2 if score >= 60:
3     grade = "D"
4 elif score >= 70:
5     grade = "C"
6 elif score >= 80:
7     grade = "B"
8 elif score >= 90:
9     grade = "A"
```

Trace: `score = 95`

`95 >= 60` → `True` → `grade = "D"` →

STOP

A score of 95 gets a D!

Rule: Put the **MOST SPECIFIC** (strictest) condition **FIRST**.

Nested if Statements

What is Nesting?

An `if` inside another `if`

```
if condition1:
```

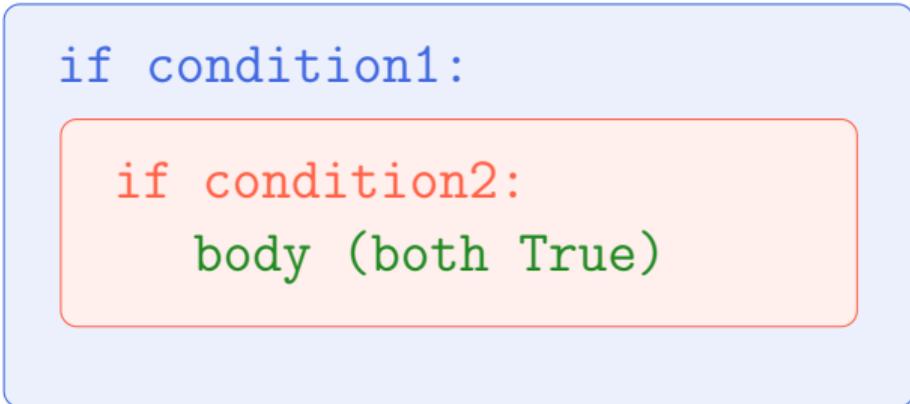
```
    if condition2:
```

```
        body (both True)
```

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if condition1:  
    if condition2:  
        body (both True)
```

A diagram illustrating nested if statements. It consists of two nested rounded rectangles. The outer rectangle has a light blue background and a blue border, containing the code 'if condition1:'. Inside it is a smaller rectangle with a light red background and a red border, containing the code 'if condition2: body (both True)'. An arrow points from the text 'Outer must be True before inner is even checked' to the right side of the blue box.

Outer must be `True`
before inner is even
checked

Example: Ride Check

```
1 height = int(input("Height in cm: "))
2 if height >= 120:
3     age = int(input("Age: "))
4     if age >= 8:
5         print("You can go on the ride!")
6     else:
7         print("Must be 8 or older.")
8 else:
9     print("Must be at least 120 cm.")
```

Example: Ride Check

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2 if height >= 120:
3     age = int(input("Age: "))
4     if age >= 8:
5         print("You can go on the ride!")
6     else:
7         print("Must be 8 or older.")
8 else:
9     print("Must be at least 120 cm.")
```

Trace 1: height=130, age=10
130 >= 120 → True, 10 >= 8 →
True → "You can go on the
ride!"

Example: Ride Check

```
1 height = int(input("Height in cm: "))
2 if height >= 120:
3     age = int(input("Age: "))
4     if age >= 8:
5         print("You can go on the ride!")
6     else:
7         print("Must be 8 or older.")
8 else:
9     print("Must be at least 120 cm.")
```

Trace 1: height=130, age=10

130 >= 120 → True, 10 >= 8 →

True → "You can go on the
ride!"

Trace 2: height=130, age=6

130 >= 120 → True, 6 >= 8 →

False → "Must be 8 or older."

Example: Ride Check

```
1 height = int(input("Height in cm: "))
2 if height >= 120:
3     age = int(input("Age: "))
4     if age >= 8:
5         print("You can go on the ride!")
6     else:
7         print("Must be 8 or older.")
8 else:
9     print("Must be at least 120 cm.")
```

Trace 1: height=130, age=10

130 >= 120 → True, 10 >= 8 → True → "You can go on the ride!"

Trace 2: height=130, age=6

130 >= 120 → True, 6 >= 8 → False → "Must be 8 or older."

Trace 3: height=100

100 >= 120 → False → "Must be at least 120 cm." (inner if never reached)

Example: Login System

```
1 username = input("Username: ")
2 if username == "admin":
3     password = input("Password: ")
4     if password == "secret123":
5         print("Welcome, admin!")
6     else:
7         print("Wrong password!")
8 else:
9     print("Unknown user.")
```

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7         print("Wrong password!")
8 else:
9     print("Unknown user.")
```

Trace 1: user="admin",
pass="secret123"
Both True → "Welcome, admin!"

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5         print("Welcome, admin!")
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9     print("Unknown user.")
```

Trace 1: user="admin",
pass="secret123"

Both True → "Welcome, admin!"

Trace 2: user="admin",
pass="wrong"

Outer True, inner False → "Wrong
password!"

Trace 3: user="bob"

Outer False → "Unknown user."
(never asked for password)

You Try

What is the output?

```
1 x = 15
2 y = 10
3 if x > y:
4     if x > 20:
5         print("A")
6     else:
7         print("B")
8 else:
9     print("C")
10 print("D")
```

You Try

What is the output?

```
1 x = 15
2 y = 10
3 if x > y:
4     if x > 20:
5         print("A")
6     else:
7         print("B")
8 else:
9     print("C")
10 print("D")
```

Trace:

15 > 10 → True

15 > 20 → False → else

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```

Trace:

15 > 10 → True

15 > 20 → False → else

Output:

B

D

Nesting vs. and

Nested

```
1 if height >= 120:
2     if age >= 8:
3         print("OK!")
4     else:
5         print("Too young")
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```

Tip: Nesting is better when you want **different messages** for each failure.

Combining Conditions

Using `and` in `if`

```
1 age = int(input("Age: "))
2 gpa = float(input("GPA: "))
3 if age >= 18 and gpa >= 3.0:
4     print("Eligible for scholarship!")
5 else:
6     print("Not eligible.")
```

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Trace 1: `age=20`, `gpa=3.5`

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`True and True` → `True` → `"Eligible!"`

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Trace 1: `age=20`, `gpa=3.5`

`20 >= 18` → `True` and `3.5 >= 3.0` → `True`

`True` and `True` → `True` → "Eligible!"

Trace 2: `age=20`, `gpa=2.5`

`True` and `False` → `False` → "Not eligible."

and: **BOTH** must be True

Using `or` in `if`

```
1 day = input("What day? ")
2 if day == "Saturday" or \
3     day == "Sunday":
4     print("It's the weekend!")
5 else:
6     print("It's a weekday.")
```

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Trace 1: `day = "Saturday"`

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Using `or` in `if`

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3     day == "Sunday":
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```

Trace 1: `day = "Saturday"`

`True` or `False` → `True` → "It's the weekend!"

Trace 2: `day = "Monday"`

`False` or `False` → `False` → "It's a weekday."

or: at least ONE must be True

Using `not` in `if`

```
1 logged_in = False
2 if not logged_in:
3     print("Please log in first!")
```

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```

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Also useful with strings:

```
1 name = input("Enter name: ")
2 if not name:
3     print("You didn't enter a name!")
```

Empty string `""` is `falsy`, so `not ""` → `True`

Example: Movie Ticket

```
1 age = int(input("Age: "))
2 is_student = input("Student? ")
3 if age < 12 or age >= 65 \
4     or is_student == "yes":
5     print("Discounted ticket: $8")
6 else:
7     print("Regular ticket: $15")
```

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Trace 1: age=10, student="no"
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```

Trace 1: age=10, student="no"

True or False or False → True →
"\$8"

Trace 2: age=30, student="no"

False or False or False → False →
"\$15"

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Write code to check if a number is between 1 and 100 (inclusive).

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Write code to check if a number is between 1 and 100 (inclusive).

```
1 n = int(input("Enter a number: "))
2 if n >= 1 and n <= 100:
3     print("Valid")
4 else:
5     print("Out of range")
```

Common Mistakes

Pitfall #1: Missing Colon

X Wrong:

```
1 if x > 5
2     print("Big")
```

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```

Always end if, elif, and else with a **colon** :

Pitfall #2: = vs ==

X Wrong:

```
1 x = 10
2 if x = 10:
3     print("Ten!")
```

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```
1 if x == 10:
2     print("Ten!")
```

= assigns a value. == **compares** two values.

Pitfall #3: IndentationError

X Missing indent:

```
1 if x > 5:  
2 print("Big")
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IndentationError!

X Inconsistent indent:

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2     print("A")  
3     print("B")
```

IndentationError!

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2 print("Big")
```

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```

IndentationError!

The body of an if **must** be indented. Use **4 spaces** consistently.

The `pass` Keyword

What if you want an empty body?

X This crashes:

```
1 if score >= 50:
2
3 else:
4     print("Failed")
```

The `pass` Keyword

What if you want an empty body?

✓ Use `pass`:

```
1 if score >= 50:
2     pass # TODO: implement later
3 else:
4     print("Failed")
```

`pass` = “do nothing” placeholder

Truthy / Falsy in Conditions

```
1 name = input("Enter name: ")
2 if name:
3     print(f"Hello, {name}!")
4 else:
5     print("You didn't enter a name!")
```

Truthy / Falsy in Conditions

```
1 name = input("Enter name: ")
2 if name:
3     print(f"Hello, {name}!")
4 else:
5     print("You didn't enter a name!")
```

Trace 1: `name = "Ali"` → `truthy` → `"Hello, Ali!"`

Trace 2: `name = ""` → `falsy` → `"You didn't enter a name!"`

Truthy / Falsy in Conditions

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1 name = input("Enter name: ")
2 if name:
3     print(f"Hello, {name}!")
4 else:
5     print("You didn't enter a name!")
```

Trace 1: `name = "Ali"` → `truthy` → "Hello, Ali!"

Trace 2: `name = ""` → `falsy` → "You didn't enter a name!"

Falsy values: 0, 0.0, "" (empty string), None
Everything else is truthy.

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More examples:

- `if 0 < score < 100:`
- `if 18 <= age <= 65:`

score between 0 and 100

working age

Reads like math: $1 \leq x \leq 10$

You Try: Spot the Bugs!

Bug 1:

```
1 if x = 10:
2     print("Ten")
```

Bug 2:

```
1 if x > 5
2     print("Big")
```

Bug 3:

```
1 if x > 5:
2     print("Big")
```

Bug 4:

```
1 x = "5"
2 if x > 3:
3     print("Big")
```

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Not indented

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```
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3     print("Big")
```

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```

Missing colon :

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```
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2     print("Big")
```

Not indented

Bug 4:

```
1 x = "5"  
2 if x > 3:  
3     print("Big")
```

Comparing str to int!

TypeError at runtime

Practice

Trace Output #1

```
1 x = 7
2 y = 3
3 if x > 5:
4     print("A")
5     if y > 5:
6         print("B")
7     else:
8         print("C")
9 else:
10    print("D")
11 print("E")
```

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```

Trace:

7 > 5 → True → print "A"

3 > 5 → False → print "C"
then "E"

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11 print("E")
```

Trace:

7 > 5 → True → print "A"

3 > 5 → False → print "C"

then "E"

Output: A, C, E

Trace Output #2

```
1 a = 10
2 b = 20
3 c = 30
4 if a > b:
5     print("X")
6 elif b > c:
7     print("Y")
8 elif a + b > c:
9     print("Z")
10 else:
11     print("W")
```

Trace Output #2

```
1 a = 10
2 b = 20
3 c = 30
4 if a > b:
5     print("X")
6 elif b > c:
7     print("Y")
8 elif a + b > c:
9     print("Z")
10 else:
11     print("W")
```

Trace:

10 > 20 → F, 20 > 30 → F
10+20 > 30 → 30 > 30 → F

Trace Output #2

```
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3 c = 30
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```

Trace:

10 > 20 → F, 20 > 30 → F

10+20 > 30 → 30 > 30 → F

Output: W

Gotcha: 30 > 30 is **False** — it's **strict** greater than!

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```
1 year = int(input("Enter year: "))
2 if year % 400 == 0:
3     print("Leap year!")
4 elif year % 100 == 0:
5     print("Not a leap year.")
6 elif year % 4 == 0:
7     print("Leap year!")
8 else:
9     print("Not a leap year.")
```

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1 a = int(input("a: "))
2 b = int(input("b: "))
3 c = int(input("c: "))
4 if a >= b and a >= c:
5     print(a, "is largest")
6 elif b >= a and b >= c:
7     print(b, "is largest")
8 else:
9     print(c, "is largest")
```

Fix the Code

X Buggy:

```
1 price = 250
2 if price >= 100:
3     discount = "10%"
4 if price >= 200:
5     discount = "20%"
6 if price >= 300:
7     discount = "30%"
8 print(f"Discount: {discount}")
```

price=250 → matches 100 AND 200 → discount
set to "10%" then "20%"

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5     discount = "20%"
6 if price >= 300:
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8 print(f"Discount: {discount}")
```

price=250 → matches 100 AND 200 → discount set to "10%" then "20%"

✓ Fix: Use elif + reverse order:

```
1 if price >= 300:
2     discount = "30%"
3 elif price >= 200:
4     discount = "20%"
5 elif price >= 100:
6     discount = "10%"
7 else:
8     discount = "0%"
```

Challenge: FizzBuzz

Given a number n :

- Div by 3 **and** 5 \rightarrow "FizzBuzz"
- Div by 3 \rightarrow "Fizz"
- Div by 5 \rightarrow "Buzz"
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- Div by 3 \rightarrow "Fizz"
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- Otherwise \rightarrow print n

```
1 n = int(input("Number: "))
2 if n % 3 == 0 and n % 5 == 0:
3     print("FizzBuzz")
4 elif n % 3 == 0:
5     print("Fizz")
6 elif n % 5 == 0:
7     print("Buzz")
8 else:
9     print(n)
```

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```

Why must “both” come FIRST? If we check $\% 3$ first, 15 would print "Fizz" and stop!

Summary

Big Idea

Conditions let programs make
DECISIONS

Summary

- `if` — run code only when condition is `True`
- `if/else` — two paths, exactly one runs
- `elif` — multiple conditions, first match wins
- **Nested** `if` — an `if` inside another `if`
- `and`, `or`, `not` — combine conditions
- **Indentation** defines what's inside the body
- **Common pitfalls:** missing `:`, `=` vs `==`, wrong indent

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```
while condition:
```

```
for item in list:
```

Repeat code automatically!

Questions?