

# Python If ... Else

# Python Conditions and If statements

Python supports the usual logical conditions from mathematics:

```
Equals: a == b
Not Equals: a != b
Less than: a < b</li>
Less than or equal to: a <= b</li>
Greater than: a > b
Greater than or equal to: a >= b
```

These conditions can be used in several ways, most commonly in "if statements" and loops.

An "if statement" is written by using the if keyword.

```
Example

If statement:

a = 33
b = 200
if b > a:
    print("b is greater than a")

Try it Yourself >>
```

### Indentation

Python relies on indentation (whitespace at the beginning of a line) to define scope in the code. Other programming languages often use curly-brackets for this purpose.

# Example

If statement, without indentation (will raise an error):

```
a = 33
b = 200
```

```
if b > a:
print("b is greater than a") # you will get an error
Try it Yourself »
```

## Else and Elif

The else keyword catches anything which isn't caught by the preceding conditions.

### Example

```
a = 200
b = 33
if b > a:
  print("b is greater than a")
elif a == b:
  print("a and b are equal")
else:
  print("a is greater than b")
```

#### Try it Yourself »

In this example a is greater than b, so the first condition is not true, also the elif condition is not true, so we go to the else condition and print to screen that "a is greater than b".

You can also have an else without the elif:

### Example

```
a = 200
b = 33
if b > a:
  print("b is greater than a")
else:
  print("b is not greater than a")
```

#### Try it Yourself »

# And

The and keyword is a logical operator, and is used to combine conditional statements:

```
Example
Test if a is greater than b, AND if c is greater than a:

a = 200
b = 33
c = 500
if a > b and c > a:
    print("Both conditions are True")
Try it Yourself >>
```

### Or

The or keyword is a logical operator, and is used to combine conditional statements:

```
Example
Test if a is greater than b, OR if a is greater than c:

a = 200
b = 33
c = 500
if a > b or a > c:
    print("At least one of the conditions is True")
Try it Yourself »
```