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import this

```
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
squared_numbers = list(map(lambda x: x**2, numbers))
print(squared_numbers)  # Output: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
squared_numbers = [x**2 for x in numbers]
print(squared_numbers)  # Output: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
even_numbers = list(filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, numbers))
print(even_numbers)  # Output: [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]

# Python 3: Fibonacci series up to n
def fib(n):
    a,b = 0,1
    while a < n:
        print(a, end=' ')
        a,b = b,a+b
    print()
fib(10)
#Output: 0 1 1 2 3 5 8
```

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Dedicated To

My Parents and Friends

Preface....

Welcome to "**Python Quick Reference: Essential Syntax and Concepts**". This comprehensive and concise guide is designed to be your go-to resource for mastering Python, one of the most versatile and widely used programming languages in the world.

Python's simplicity and readability make it an excellent choice for both beginners and experienced developers. Whether you're just starting your programming journey or looking to expand your skills, this book provides a valuable reference for understanding Python's core syntax and concepts.

Book Structure

- **Introduction to Python Programming Language:** I begin by introducing Python, delving into its history and its significance within the programming world.
- **Zen of Python:** Delve into the guiding principles and philosophies that shape Python development.
- **Essential Syntax and Concepts:** Gain a solid foundation by exploring Python's program structure, symbols, tokens, keywords, and more.
- **Data Handling:** Dive into the world of data in Python, including variables, data types, operators, and control statements.
- **Functions and Modules:** Learn about functions, scope, and modules, essential for building structured and reusable code.
- **Working with Data Structures:** Explore Python's built-in data structures, including lists, dictionaries, sets, and tuples.
- **Advanced Topics:** Go beyond the basics with topics like exception handling, file I/O, object-oriented programming, regular expressions, web scraping, and more.
- **Data Science and Visualization:** Get an introduction to data science libraries like NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, and Seaborn, essential for data analysis and visualization.
- **GUI Development**: Discover the world of graphical user interface (GUI) development using the Tkinter library.
- **Interview Questions and Sample Programs:** Prepare for interviews with a collection of Python interview questions and explore sample Python programs.
- **Tips and Tricks:** Learn valuable tips and tricks to enhance your Python programming skills.
- **References:** Find additional resources for further exploration and learning.

"**Python Quick Reference**" is designed to be a practical and accessible guide that you can turn to whenever you need to refresh your memory on Python syntax or concepts. Whether you're a student, a professional developer, or anyone looking to harness the power of Python, this book is your essential companion on your Python journey.

I authored this book during my summer vacation in the months of October and November 2023 as a passionate endeavor. To prepare for this project, I diligently completed prerequisite courses, including "Introduction to Python Programming" during my regular B.E 1st Semester and "Python for Data Science" through an NPTEL Course.

The concepts and programs featured in this book have been meticulously crafted through an in-depth study and analysis of the literature mentioned in the references section. Additionally, ChatGPT-3.5 prompts were employed during the design process. These programs were executed and rigorously tested within the Jupyter Notebook environment to ensure their effectiveness and reliability.
I hope you will find this book to be a valuable resource as you navigate the world of Python programming. Happy coding!

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Contents....

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Introduction to Python Programming Language

Python is a high-level programming language that has gained widespread popularity due to its simplicity, readability, and versatility. Guido van Rossum released the first version of Python in 1991, and since then, it has evolved into a powerful tool used in various domains, from web development to data science.
List of **key** features of the Python programming language:

Readability and Simplicity: Python's clean and intuitive syntax emphasizes code readability, reducing the chances of errors and making it easier for developers to write and maintain code.

Interpreted: Python code is executed line by line by an interpreter, eliminating the need for a separate compilation step.

Dynamic Typing: Variables are dynamically typed, meaning their types are determined during runtime.

Large Standard Library: Python comes with an extensive collection of built-in modules and libraries that provide ready-to-use functions and tools for various tasks, saving development time**.**

Extensibility: Python can be easily integrated with other languages like C, C++, and Java, allowing for optimized performance or interaction with existing codebases.

Indentation-Based Blocks: Python uses indentation to define code blocks, promoting consistent and well-structured code.

Object-Oriented: Python supports object-oriented programming, allowing developers to model real-world entities with classes and objects.

Open Source: Python is an open-source language, which means the source code is available to the public and can be modified and distributed freely.

Portability: Python code written on one platform can run on other platforms with minimal modifications.

Versatility: Python can be used in various domains, including web development, data analysis, scientific computing, machine learning, artificial intelligence, automation, scripting, and more, making it a versatile language for diverse applications.

Cross-Platform Compatibility: Python is available on multiple platforms and operating systems, ensuring that code can be written once and run on different environments.

High-Level Language: Python abstracts complex low-level operations, providing a higher-level interface and allowing developers to focus on problem-solving.

Diverse Community and Ecosystem: Python has a large and active community of developers, resulting in extensive resources, support, and a wide range of third-party libraries and frameworks.

Exception Handling: Python provides a robust and clear mechanism for handling exceptions, allowing developers to write code that gracefully handles errors and exceptions.

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Zen of Python

The "**Zen of Python**" is a collection of guiding principles for writing computer programs in the Python language. These principles are meant to encapsulate the philosophy and design principles that shape the Python programming community's approach to software development. They were written by **Tim Peters**, a prominent Python developer, in 2004 and are accessible by typing **import this** in a Python interpreter or script.

Code :

```
import this
```

#Output

```
The Zen of Python, by Tim Peters
1.  Beautiful is better than ugly.
2.  Explicit is better than implicit.
3.  Simple is better than complex.
4.  Complex is better than complicated.
5.  Flat is better than nested.
6.  Sparse is better than dense.
7.  Readability counts.
8.  Special cases aren't special enough to break the rules.
9.  Although practicality beats purity.
10. Errors should never pass silently.
11. Unless explicitly silenced.
12. In the face of ambiguity, refuse the temptation to guess.
13. There should be one-- and preferably only one --obvious way to do it.
14. Although that way may not be obvious at first unless you're Dutch.
15. Now is better than never.
16. Although never is often better than *right* now.
17. If the implementation is hard to explain, it's a bad idea.
18. If the implementation is easy to explain, it may be a good idea.
19. Namespaces are one honking great idea -- let's do more of those!
```

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