

Lecture 11: for loops and the range function Turtles!?

Happenings

- Slalom Information Session Tuesday, October 22nd
 - Information Booth 10:30-12:00 PM CF First Floor Foyer
 - Information Session 6:00-7:00 PM AW 204
- CS Mentors Program Present “GDB Workshop” Thursday, October 24th 3 PM CF 165
 - Perfect for students in CSCI 247 & 347
- Internship and Volunteer Fair Thursday, October 24th 12:00-4:00 PM VU Multipurpose Room
- Amazon Tuesday, October 29th
 - Info Table 10:30-12:00 PM at VU Lobby
 - Info Session 4:00-5:00 PM at AW 204
 - Resume Prep 5:15-7:00 PM at AW 204
 - Open to all of campus not just CS students
- PACCAR Career Day Wednesday, October 30th 10:00 AM-3:00 PM South Campus

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- Sample programming questions will be released this afternoon.

Goals

- Know the syntax and behavior of the `for` statement (`for` loop)
- Know how to use the `range` function in the header of a `for` loop.
- Know how to use the turtle module to:
 - Create a Turtle `object`
 - Call the turtle object's `methods` (functions) to move it around the screen and draw simple shapes:
(`forward`, `left`, `right`, `penup`, `pendown`)

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We (almost) can! Using `for` loops.

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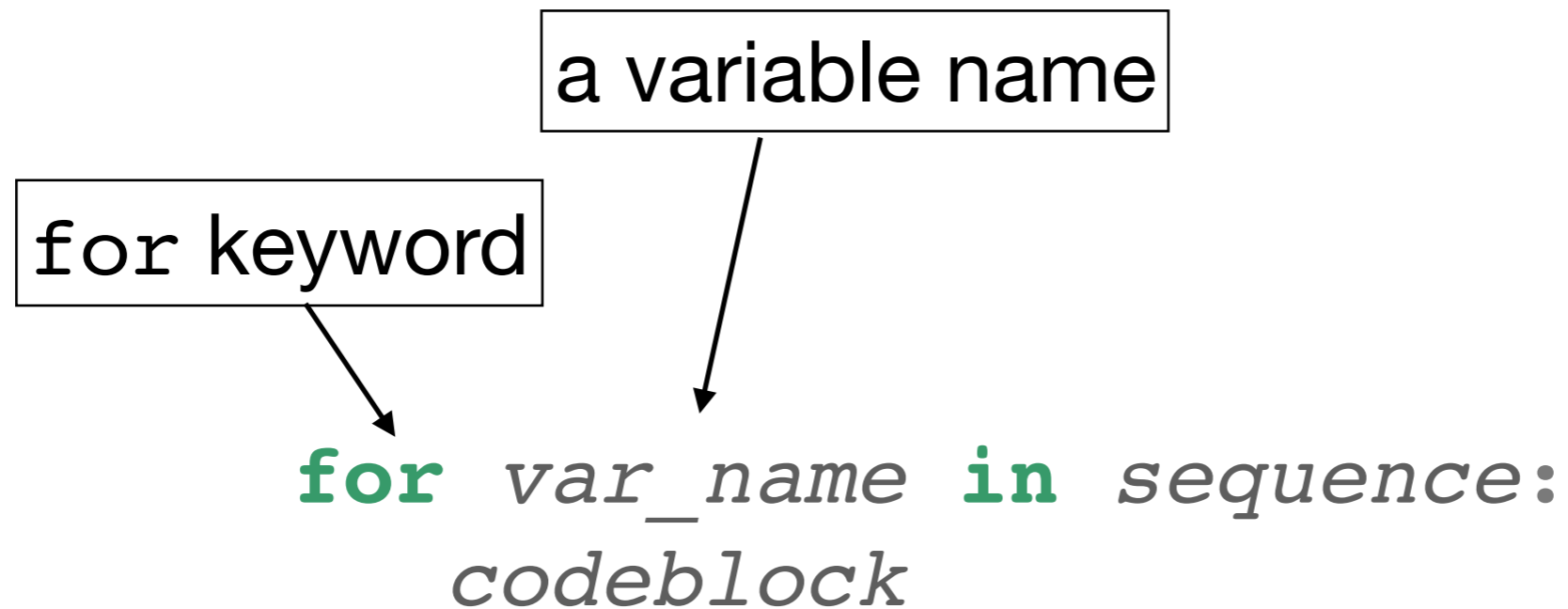
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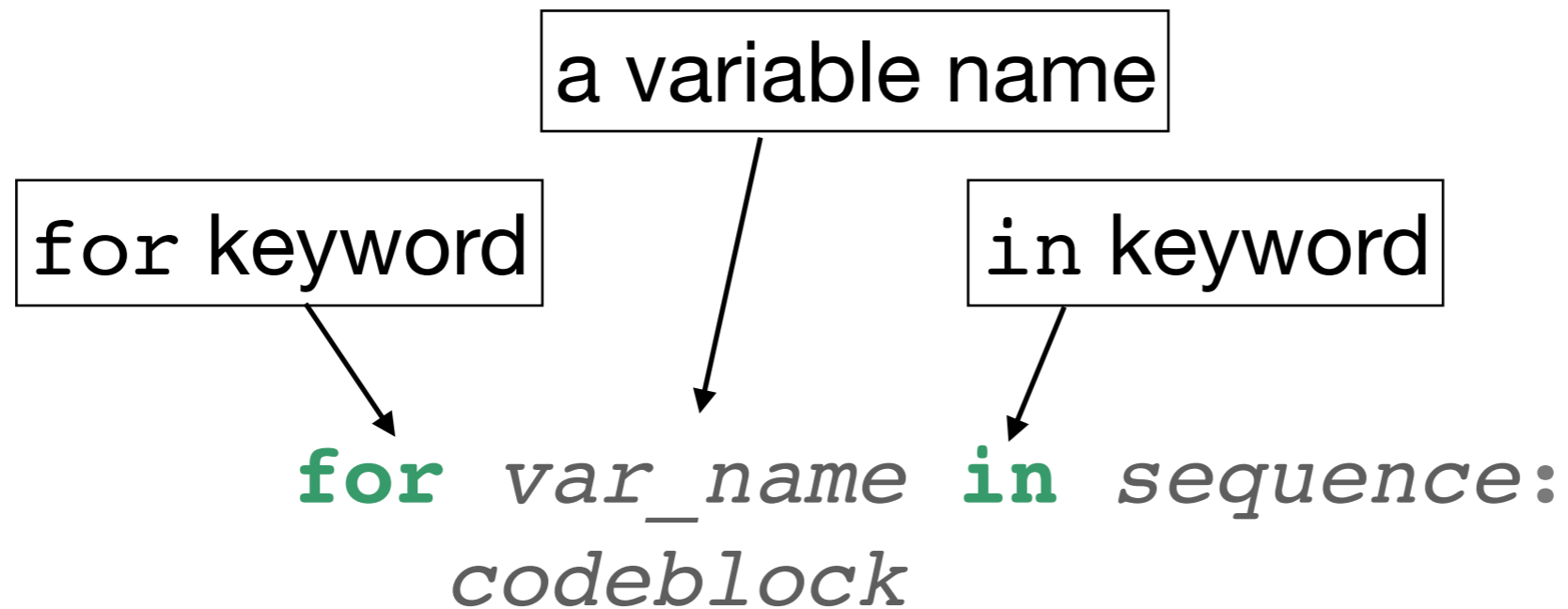


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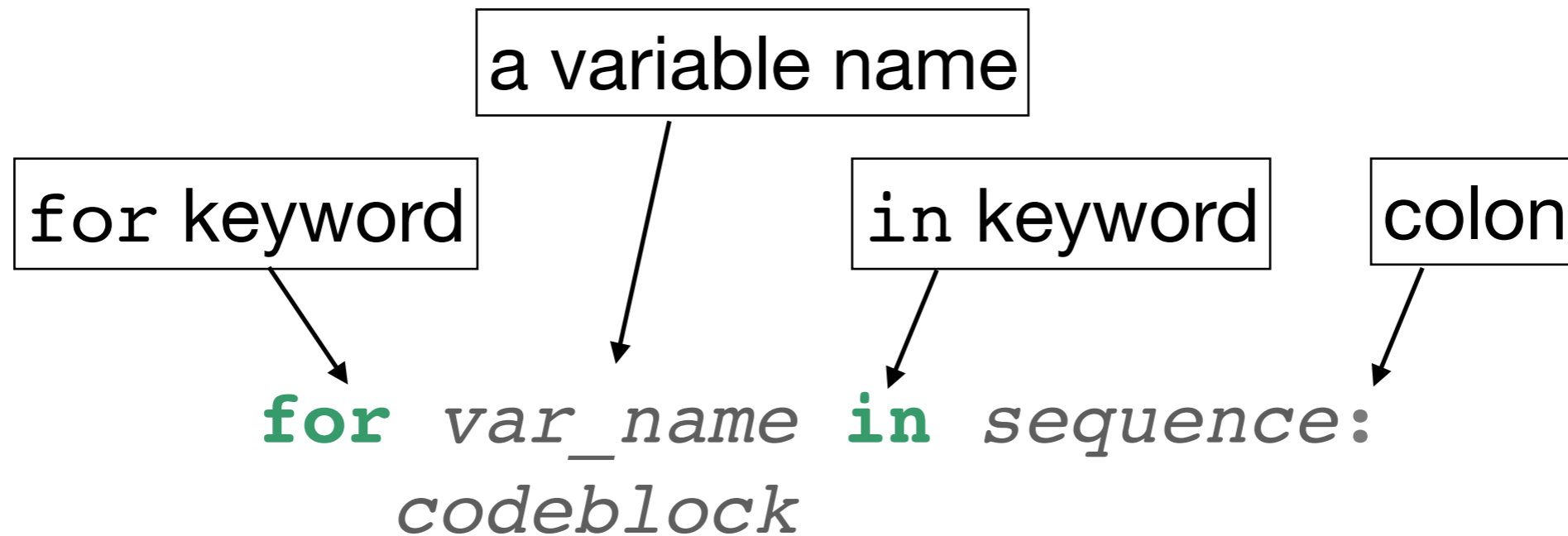
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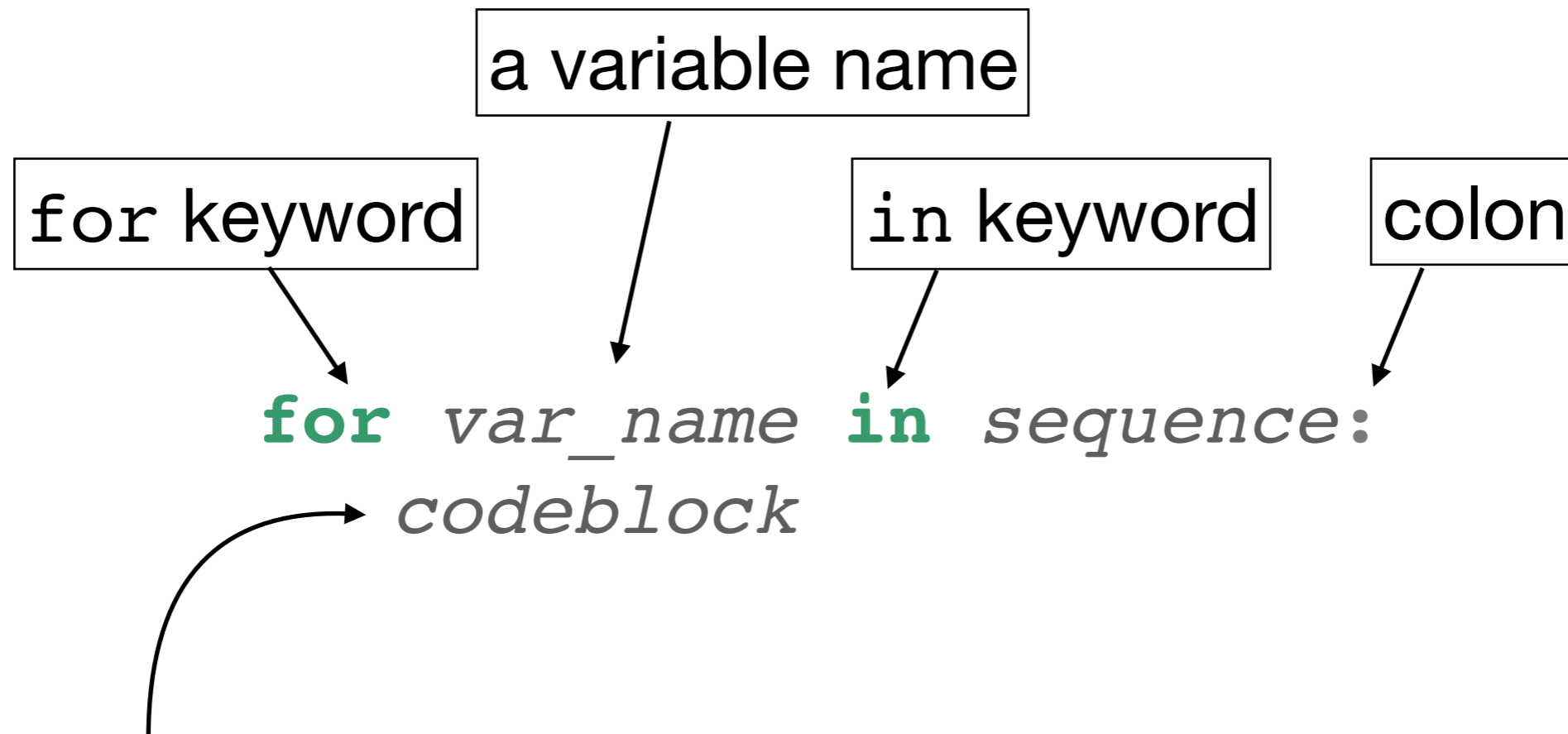
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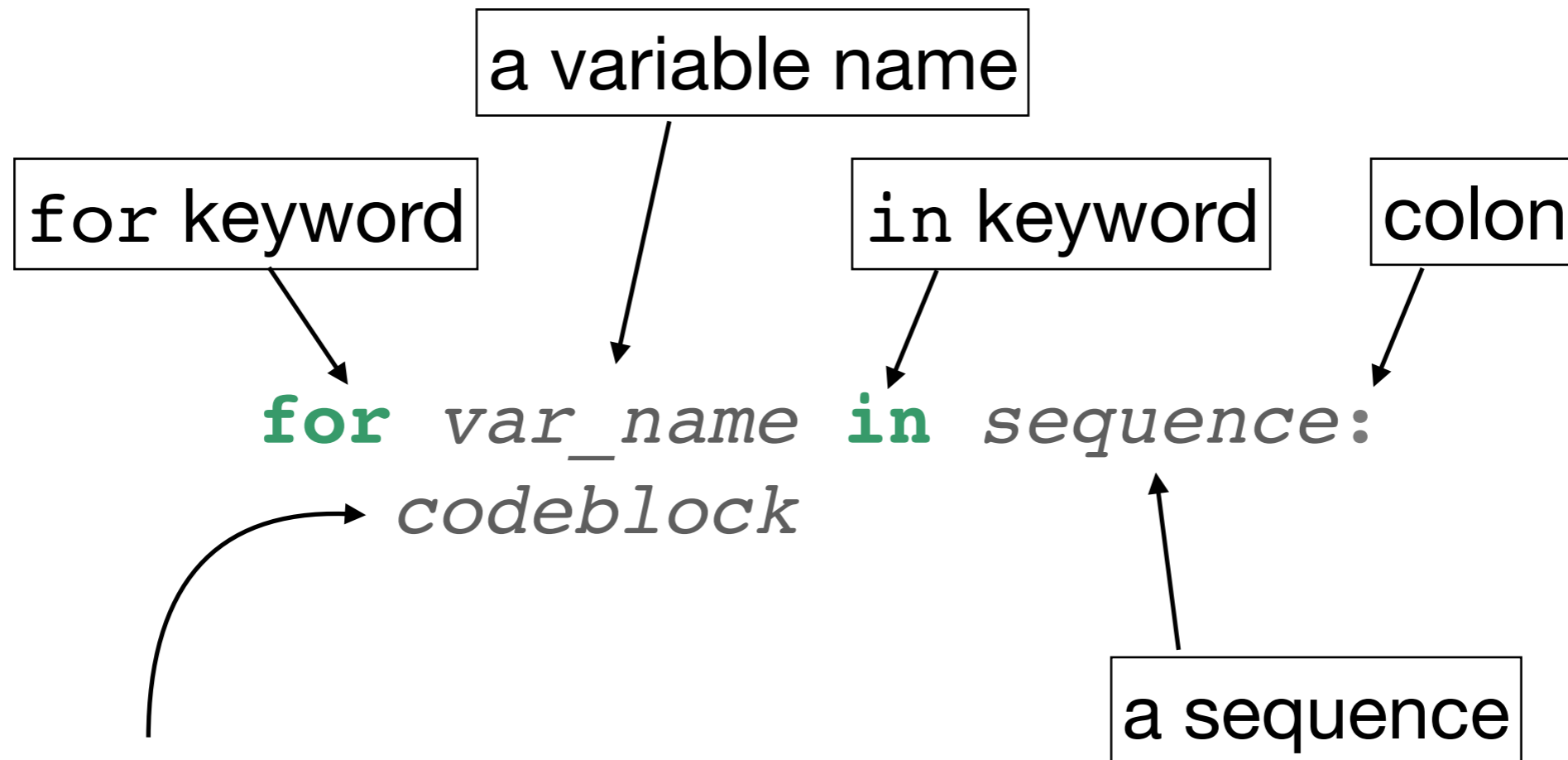


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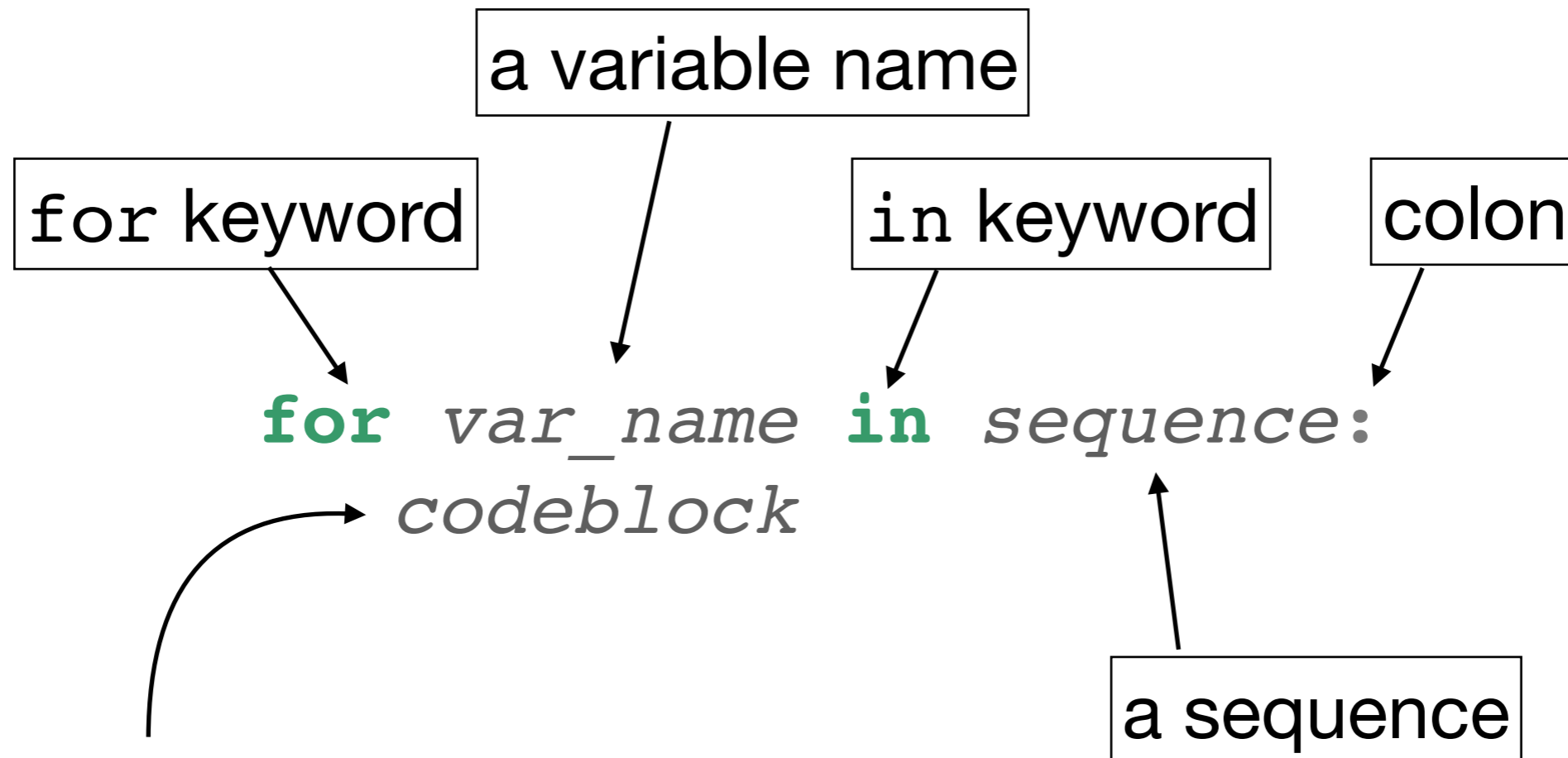
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Much more on these later.

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New function to the rescue: `range`
makes it easy to generate lists like this.



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Converting ranges to lists

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It's not technically a **list**: `print(range(4))` does not print `[1, 2, 3]`

To turn the range into a list (e.g., to print it), we can use the `list` function:

```
list(range(2, 5)) => [2, 3, 4]
```

Range function: Demo

- demo in shell
 - one, two, and three argument versions
- ranges.py

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for posterity: see `ranges.py`

QOTD

```
for x in range(1, 4):  
    print (x + x * x, end=str(x))
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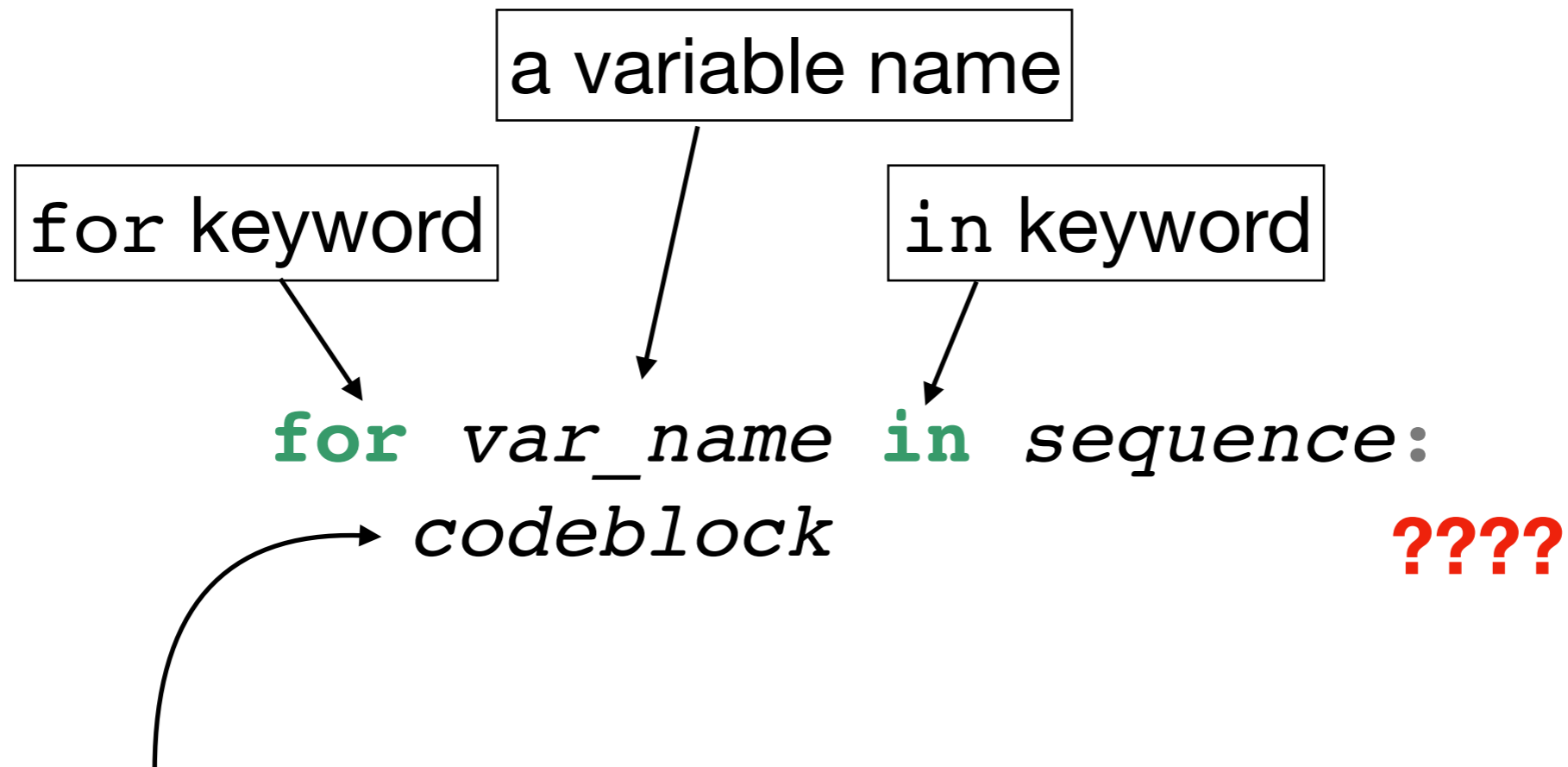
When running the code below, what pairs of values could be assigned to the variables x and y so that the program prints WWU 43 times? Select all correct choices.

```
x =
y =
for z in range(x, y):
    print("WWU")
```

x: 0	y: 44
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x: 1	y: 44

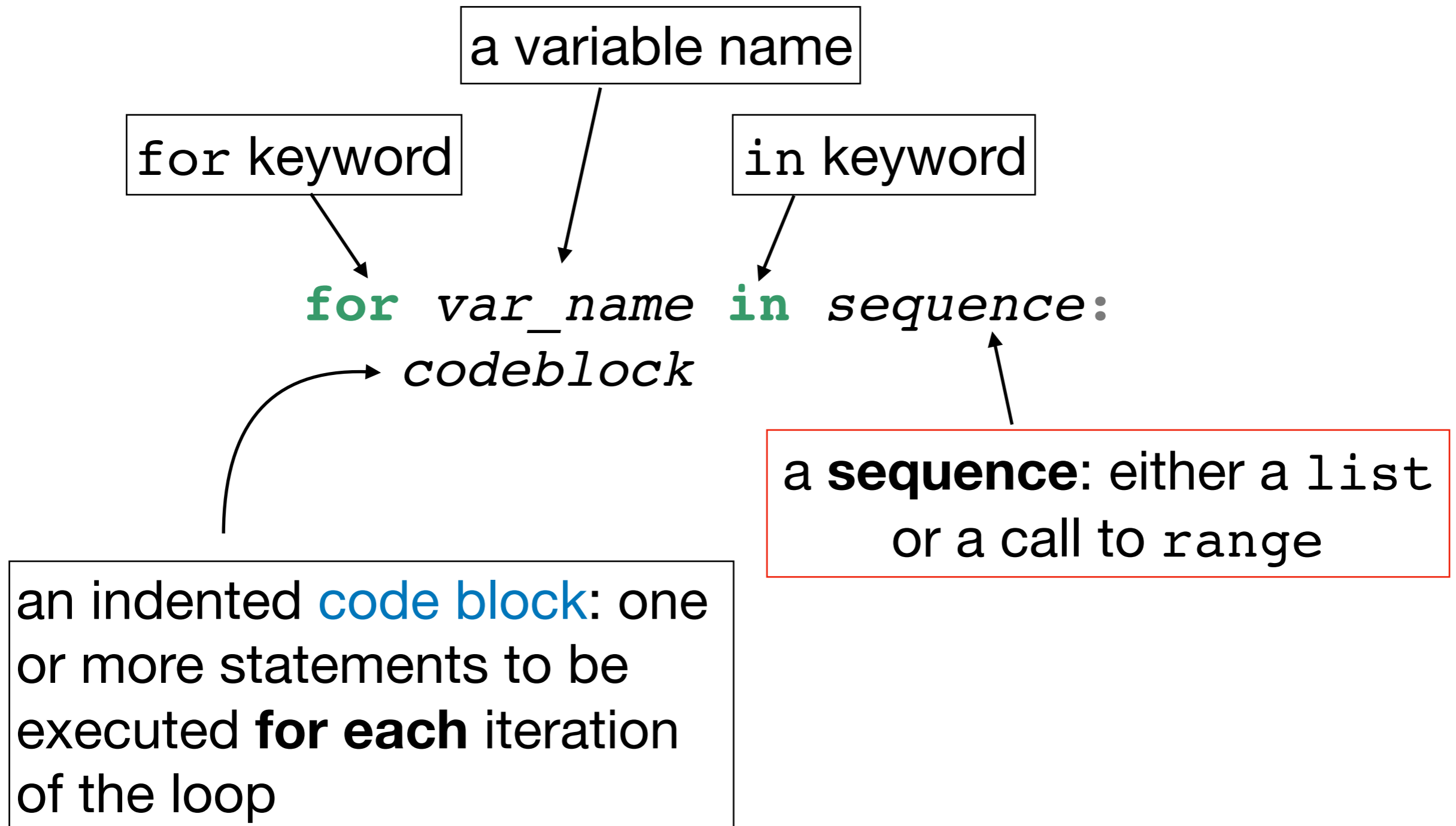
Equivalent question:
for which of these is $y - x == 43$?

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Creating and Using Objects

```
import turtle  
scott = turtle.Turtle()
```

The `Turtle()` function starts with a capital letter.

By convention this indicates that it is a special kind of function called a **constructor** that creates (and returns) new **objects** of type `Turtle`.

The `Turtle()` function returns a `Turtle` object, and the variable `scott` now refers to it.

*functions that belong to an object are called its **methods***

Objects can have functions associated with them, accessed via the dot notation, e.g.:

```
turtle.forward(10) # moves the turtle forward 10 units  
turtle.left(90) # turns the turtle left 90 degrees
```

What methods do Turtles have? Lots!

Check the docs: <https://docs.python.org/3.3/library/turtle.html?highlight=turtle>

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3. Move forward 100
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2. Turn left 90 degrees
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1. Move forward 100
2. Turn left 90 degrees
3. Move forward 100
4. Turn left 90 degrees
5. Move forward 100
6. Turn left 90 degrees

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2. Turn left 90 degrees
3. Move forward 100
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6. Turn left 90 degrees
7. Move forward 100

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1. Move forward 100
2. Turn left 90 degrees
3. Move forward 100
4. Turn left 90 degrees
5. Move forward 100
6. Turn left 90 degrees
7. Move forward 100
8. (Turn left 90 degrees)

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Task: Write pseudocode for an algorithm to draw a square with side length 100:

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2. Turn left 90 degrees
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Can we do better?

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Repeat 4 times:

1. move forward 100
2. turn left 90

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Demo

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- `turtle_square.py`: Write a loop-based program that makes a turtle and draws a square with it.

while vs for

Are for loops **always** better?

while vs for

Task: Generate and print random integers between 1 and 10 (inclusive) until one of the random numbers exceeds 8.

Would you use a for loop or a while loop?



while vs for

Task: Ask the user for a number (**n**), then print 100 random numbers between 0 and **n**.

Would you use a for loop or a while loop?



while vs for

Task: Sum the numbers from 1 to 340, leaving out those divisible by 5.

Would you use a for loop or a while loop?



Generalized Squares

AKA Equilateral Polygons

Task: Write code that makes the Turtle object `scott` draw an `n`-sided polygon, where `n` and the length of each side are given by the user.

Hint: the total amount the turtle needs to turn is 360 degrees.
Code from `turtle_square`:

```
import turtle

scott = turtle.Turtle()
for i in range(4):
    scott.forward(100)
    scott.left(90)
```

Additional Suggested Practice Problems

1. Make a Turtle do a random walk: write a program that repeats the following 100 times:
 - Move the turtle a random distance forward.
 - Turn the turtle a random number of degrees.
2. Re-write the dice exercise from last time using `for` loops (it's simpler this way!)