

## Re: Concatenation and string slicing

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Dennis Lee Bieber wrote:

On Thu, 23 Feb 2006 18:06:46 -0600, Larry Bates  
<larry.bates@xxxxxxxxxxx> declaimed the following in comp.lang.python:

Better was is:

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message = raw_input("Enter a message: ")  
print message[::-1]
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I sometimes get the feeling a lot of responses to newbies, lately,  
fail to explain what was wrong in the original code in favor of showing  
off the tricks that Python is capable of...

Several others had already pointed out what was wrong (which  
of course the OP would have know if he had done a tutorial).  
I merely wanted to post a solution that IMHO was a much  
better way to accomplish the task. The OP is free to choose  
among the posted solutions. If others had not yet posted the  
solution, I would have posted both.

-Larry Bates  
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