Please provide an example of how an instructor or helper affected your learning experience.

All were attentive and helped when I had questions.

It was easy to ask questions without worrying that I was interrupting the flow of the rest of the group.

Provided examples when asked for how something could be used

Talking about the Carpentries concept and methods as well as the subject matter content.

Quick fix on finding the ethernet site meant that I wasn't slowed down at all.

Sitting with me and helping during breaks was amazing - Not feeling like the class was waiting on me.

The way the instructors said "when I do X, I find Y helpful" instead of saying "if you do X, make sure you do Y" was an open, inviting, and memorable way of delivering information in a way that seems less directly didactic.
What were the major strengths of the workshop?

Great introduction to a variety of tools and lessons that I look forward to delving into further. Having multiple helpers and very attentive instructors that answered questions clearly was great.

I really liked the condensed version. I already code a lot (in R, not Python) so I appreciated that we moved fairly quickly to get a taste for new things so I could follow up on the full lessons on my own time. I also appreciated thinking about how to bring some of these skills back to my colleagues.

Very good taste of what is possible with Python, and that it is something that I can and wish to learn.

Taste of this style of training.

Having the resources accessible before and after the workshop. Very hands on, practical session. Jupyter notebooks part is soooo useful.

Covered specific syntax and installation topics. Love that I can access the courses later!!

Great advice about not learning multiple languages at a time.

The delivery and "type-along" approach was super helpful.

The afternoon with OpenRefine and details on Python syntax was the most useful.

Use of the Jupyter notebooks made it easy to follow along with the workshop.

How could the workshop be improved?

No complaints for the amount of time that was available. Providing lunch?

More time spent on the subject-specific methods (less time on hello world, 2+2 = 4, etc)

Pre-survey to find out who knows what, so that we all know where the group is starting from

More time :)

Include a tiny bit more on MyBinder

Provide some time for looking at code we're having problems with.

I know that the single-day format is the exception and not the rule, but it moved slightly faster than I could keep up with at certain points.

Would be nice if there were different tracks (novice, intermediate, etc).
Accessibility Issues

Asked but not applicable

How likely are you to recommend a Carpentries workshop to a friend or colleague?

8 “very likely” 1 “somewhat likely” on a 5-point scale from “very likely” to “very unlikely”

Additional comments?

Thank you!

I will be aiming to use these resources informally at the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh. Thank you so much!

Everyone in my lab knows how to use these things and I'm playing catch-up. It's very hard for me to ask them questions or get help from them, and this was a great atmosphere. Thank you!!!