Translation Table

Operation	Python	MATLAB
Math	2 * 2 + 5/4 - 2**4 + (3 + 3)	2 * 2 + 5/4 - 2^4 + (3 + 3)
Assignment	x = 10	x = 10
List Creation	x = [1, 2, 3]	$x = [1 \ 2 \ 3]$
2D List Creation	x = [[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]	x = [1 2 3; 4 5 6]
List concatenation	x = x + [7, 8, 9]	x = [x, 7 8 9]
Size of a list	len(lst)	size(lst)
list indexing	lst[0]	lst(1)
If Statement	if stuff: things = 99	<pre>if stuff things = 99 end</pre>
	<pre>if a < b: things = 99 elif a < c: things = 88 else: things = 'Who Knows'</pre>	<pre>if a < b things = 99 elseif a < c things = 88 else things = 'Who Knows' end</pre>
While Loop	<pre>while something: x = x + 1</pre>	<pre>while something x = x + 1 end</pre>
For Loop	<pre>for i in range(10): x = x + i</pre>	for $i = 0:9$ x = x + i end
Logical Operators	and, or, not	&, , ~
Relational Operators	==, !=, <, <=, >, >=	==, ~=, <, <=, >, >=
Function Definition	def f(x): return x**2	function $a = f(x)$ $a = x^2$

Some other things to keep in mind

- In MATLAB, everything is printed to the screen by default. To prevent this from happening, end your line in a semicolon. For example, x = 10 will print 10 but x = 10; will print nothing.
- MATLAB allows you to separate list elements by commas (like in python,) but this is unnecessary.
- In MATLAB [[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]] is valid code, however it doesn't do what you'd expect it to do coming from Python. In MATLAB the above line is equivalent to [1 2 3 4 5 6].
- MATLAB does not have a modulus operator, but it does have a mod function. So
 where you would do x % y in Python, you would do mod(x, y) in MATLAB.
- The "return variable" in a MATLAB function can be called whatever you wish, but calling it a seems to be convention.
- In MATLAB, list indices start at 1 rather than 0.