

Python help sheet 2: Lists, Tuples, Files, Dictionaries, Sets

1. Creating an empty list: `myList = []`
2. Adding value to the end of a list variable *myList*: `myList.append(10)`
3. Getting the length of a list variable *myList*: `len(myList)`
4. Accessing and slicing in *myList*: `myList[i]`, `myList[i:j+1]`
5. Return and remove the last value in a list variable *myList*: `myList.pop()`
6. Iterating (looping) through a list:
 - For loop in a range from 0 to the length of *myList*:

```
for i in range(len(myList)):
    print(myList[i])
```
 - For loop item-by-item:

```
for item in myList:
    print(item)
```
 - While loop:

```
i = 0
while i < len(myList):
    print(myList[i])
    i += 1
```
7. Creating a tuple: `myTup = ('Mary', 'Clarkson', 28)`
8. 'Escape' characters in Python

Code	Result
<code>\n</code>	New line
<code>\t</code>	Tab
<code>\\</code>	Backslash
<code>\'</code>	Single Quote
9. Create a file cursor for writing in: `myfile = open('myfile.txt', 'w')`
10. Write into a file buffer with inserting values:

```
myfile.write('First Name: {0}\nLast Name: {1}\n
            Age: {2}'.format(myTup[0], myTup[1], myTup[2]))
```

OR

```
myfile.write(f'First Name: {myTup[0]}\nLast Name:
            {myTup[1]}\nAge: {myTup[2]}')
```

OR

```
myfile.write('First Name: %s\nLast Name: %s\n
            Age: %d' % myTup)
```

11. Create a file cursor for writing to the end of an existing file :
`myfile = open('myfile.txt', 'a')`
12. Always close when done writing or reading: `myfile.close()`
13. Create a file cursor for reading: `myfile = open('myfile.txt', 'r')`
14. Store the content into a string variable: `myString = myfile.read()`
15. Store the content line-by-line into a list variable:
`myList = myfile.readlines()`
16. Reset file cursor to the beginning of the file: `myfile.seek(0)`
17. Create an empty dictionary: `myDict = {}`
18. Adding values into a dictionary:
 - a. `myDict['Mary'] = 28`
 - b. `myDict.update({'John': 27, 'Abigail': 29})`
19. Removing a value from a dictionary: `del myDict['Mary']`
20. Get the list of keys: `myDict.keys()`
21. Get the list of values: `myDict.values()`
22. Iterate over a dictionary (example):
`for key in myDict:`
`print(myDict[key])`
23. Create an empty set: `mySet = set()`
24. Create an non-empty set: `mySet = {1,2,3}` or `mySet = set([1,2,3])`
25. Adding and removing values into or from a set: `mySet.add(1)`,
`mySet.remove(1)`, `mySet.discard(1)` (do nothing if 1 not in the set)
26. Union of two sets: `mySet.union(otherSet)`
27. Intersection of two sets: `mySet.intersection(otherSet)`
28. All elements that are in *mySet* but not in *otherSet*: `mySet.difference(otherSet)`