

1. What does an empty dictionary code look like?

In []:

Ans:-

In Python, an empty dictionary **is** represented using curly braces {}.

In [1]:

```
empty_dict = {}  
print(empty_dict)
```

```
{}
```

2. What is the value of a dictionary value with the key foo and the value 42?

Ans:-

In Python, dictionaries store data in key-value pairs. To access the value associated with the key 'foo' in the dictionary, you would simply refer to it using the key 'foo'.

For Example:-

In [2]:

```
my_dict = {'foo': 42}  
value_of_foo = my_dict['foo']  
print(value_of_foo)
```

```
42
```

3. What is the most significant distinction between a dictionary and a list?

Ans:-

(1) Data structure:

List: A list is an ordered collection of elements. It allows you to store multiple items in a specific sequence, and each item in the list has an index associated with it, starting from 0 for the first element, 1 for the second element, and so on. Lists are denoted by square brackets `[]` in Python.

Dictionary: A dictionary is an unordered collection of key-value pairs. Instead of using numerical indexes like lists, dictionaries use unique keys to access their corresponding values. Keys can be of any immutable data type, such as strings or numbers, and values can be of any data type, including other lists or dictionaries. Dictionaries are denoted by curly braces `{ }` in Python.

(2) Accessing elements:

List: To access elements in a list, you use their numerical index. For example, to access the second element of a list named `my_list`, you use `my_list[1]`.

Dictionary: To access elements in a dictionary, you use their corresponding keys. For example, to access the value associated with the key "age" in a dictionary named `my_dict`, you use `my_dict["age"]`.

(3)Ordering:

List: Lists maintain the order of elements based on their position in the list. The first element in the list will always be retrieved with index 0, the second with index 1, and so on.

Dictionary: Dictionaries do not maintain any specific order for their elements. The order in which key-value pairs are added to the dictionary may not be the same as the order in which they are accessed. In Python 3.7 and later, dictionaries do preserve insertion order, but it is not something you can rely on in all versions or for all use cases.

(4)Mutability:

List: Lists are mutable, meaning you can change their elements, add new elements, or remove existing elements.

Dictionary: Dictionaries are also mutable, allowing you to modify the values associated with existing keys, add new key-value pairs, or delete existing key-value pairs.

4. What happens if you try to access `spam[foo]` if `spam` is `{bar: 100}`?

Ans:-

If we try to access `spam['foo']` and `spam` is `{ 'bar': 100 }`, you will get a `KeyError`. The `KeyError` is raised because the key 'foo' does not exist in the `spam` dictionary.

5. If a dictionary is stored in `spam`, what is the difference between the expressions `'cat' in spam` and `cat in spam.keys()`?

Ans-

`'cat' in spam`: This expression checks whether the key 'cat' exists in the dictionary `spam`. It returns `True` if the key 'cat' is present as a key in the dictionary, and `False` otherwise. This is a membership test for dictionary keys.

`'cat' in spam.keys()`: This expression checks whether the string 'cat' exists in the list of keys of the dictionary `spam`. The method `keys()` returns a view object that shows a list of all the keys in the dictionary. Similar to the previous case, it returns `True` if the key 'cat' is present in the list of keys, and `False` otherwise.

For Example:-

In [3]:

```
# Example dictionary
spam = {'cat': 1, 'dog': 2, 'bird': 3}

# Checking membership of 'cat' in the dictionary
print('cat' in spam)          # True

# Checking membership of 'cat' in the keys of the dictionary
print('cat' in spam.keys())  # True

# Checking membership of 'elephant' in the dictionary
print('elephant' in spam)    # False

# Checking membership of 'elephant' in the keys of the dictionary
print('elephant' in spam.keys()) # False
```

True
True
False
False

6. If a dictionary is stored in spam, what is the difference between the expressions 'cat' in spam and 'cat' in spam.values()?

Ans:-

'cat' in spam: This expression checks whether the key 'cat' exists in the dictionary spam. It checks for the presence of the key in the dictionary's keys, not its values. If the key 'cat' is present in spam, it will return True, otherwise False.

'cat' in spam.values(): This expression checks whether the value 'cat' exists in the dictionary spam. It checks for the presence of the value in the dictionary's values, not its keys. If the value 'cat' is found in any of the values of the spam dictionary, it will return True, otherwise False.

For Example:-

In [4]:

```
spam = {'name': 'Alice', 'age': 25, 'pet': 'cat'}
print('cat' in spam)
```

False

7. What is a shortcut for the following code?

if 'color' not in spam:

spam['color'] = 'black'

Ans:-

The shortcut for the given code is to use the Python dictionary method `setdefault()`. The `setdefault()` method checks if the key 'color' exists in the spam dictionary. If it does, it returns the value associated with the key. If it doesn't, it adds the key 'color' with the value 'black' to the dictionary. This way, you achieve the same result as the original code but in a more concise manner.

For Example:-

```
spam.setdefault('color', 'black')
```

8. How do you "pretty print" dictionary values using which module and function?

Ans:-

To "pretty print" dictionary values in Python, you can use the `pprint` module, which stands for "pretty print." The `pprint` module provides a function called `pprint()` that helps to display dictionary values in a more readable and formatted manner. It's particularly useful when dealing with nested and complex data structures like dictionaries.

For Example:-

In [8]:

```
import pprint
```

```
my_dict = {'name': 'John Doe', 'age': 30, 'email': 'john.doe@example.com', 'address':  
           {'street': '123 Main Street', 'city': 'Anytown', 'zipcode': '12345'}}
```

```
pprint.pprint(my_dict)
```

```
{'address': {'city': 'Anytown',  
             'street': '123 Main Street',  
             'zipcode': '12345'},  
 'age': 30,  
 'email': 'john.doe@example.com',  
 'name': 'John Doe'}
```

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