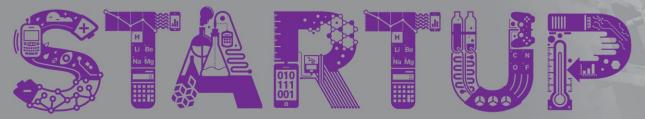
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Python Lesson 9

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Dictionaries

Review: Warm up

- 1) Create a list that contains at least three names.
- 2) Write a for loop that iterates over your list and prints out "Hello <Name>" for each name in your list.

How could we store the following data?

Phone Numbers:

Toby: 888-777-6666

Nico: 555-444-3333

Becca: 222-111-9999

- Each phone number has two pieces: The person it belongs to and the number itself.
- Python has a data type to store data like this: Dictionaries

Dictionaries: Key-Value Pairs

Dictionaries store data in the form of key-value pairs.

- A key is like the name of the data.
 - In our phone book example, the key is the person's name.
- A value is the piece of data you want to associate to the name.
 - In the phone book, the value is the actual phone number.
- In order to look up the value, you need to use the key.

Anatomy of a Dictionary

Dictionaries have names, just like lists.

Start and end with curly brackets

```
phone_number_dict = {
    "toby": "888-777-6666",
    "nico": "555-444-3333",
    "becca": "222-111-9999"
```

Keys must be unique!

Inside the curly brackets, a comma separated list of key-value pairs.

Key-Value pairs are written as Key: Value

Example

Create a dictionary that stores the following price data: Oreos cost 2.75, Doritos cost 1.25, and Donuts cost 0.80.

```
snack_prices = {
    "oreos": 2.75,
    "doritos": 1.25,
    "donuts": 0.80
}
```



Using and Editing Data in Dictionaries

You can get a value from a dictionary using the key and square brackets:

```
print(snack prices["oreos"])
```

Using the key, you can edit values in the dictionary:

You can add a new key-value pair at any time:

```
snack_prices["pringles"] = 2.15
```

Dictionary Rules

- Keys can be strings or numbers.
- Values can be anything!
- Keys must be unique.
- Unlike lists, dictionaries do NOT care about the order of their keys.

```
- {"a": "hello", "b": "world"} is the same as
{"b": "world", "a": "hello"}
- [1, 2] is NOT the same thing as [2, 1]
```

Additional Dictionary Properties

You can loop through the keys of a dictionaries:

```
for tasty_snack in snack_prices:
    print(tasty_snack, "costs", snack_prices[tasty_snack])
```

You can test if a key is in a dictionary:

```
if "oreos" in snack_prices:
    print("I love oreos!")
```

Recap

- Dictionaries store pairs of data: keys and values.
- To define a dictionary:

 To access or edit information in a dictionary, use the key and square brackets: