YAML - COMMENTS

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Adding comments to YAML documents.

Best practices for documentation and readability.

What are comments In YAML?

- Comments provide a way to add human-readable explanations or annotations within the YAML document.
- Comments are ignored during parsing and processing, making them purely for human consumption.
- They explain the purpose of the data, provide context, or offer additional information to someone reading or editing the YAML file.
- Comments start with the '#' (hash) character. Anything following the '#' on the same line is treated as a comment and ignored by parsers.
- Comments can be placed at the beginning of a line or after data within a line.

Types Of Comments:

- Inline Comments
- Comment Lines
- Comments in Sequence and Mapping
- Comments and Data on the same line

Inline Comments

• These comments appears on the same line as the YAML data and starts with '#'.

```
1 ---
2 key: value # This is an inline comment
```

Comment Lines

• Entire line can be dedicated as a comment. It can be used for multiline also.

```
1 ---
2 # This is a comment line

1 ---
2 # This is a multiline comment
3 # Line 2 of the comment
```

Comments In Sequence And Mapping

• Used to provide context within sequence and mappings.

```
1 ---
2 # Comments in Sequences and Mappings
3 fruits: # List of fruits
4 - apple # First fruit
5 - banana # Second fruit
```

Comments And Data On The Same Line:

• Comments can be placed after data on the same line.

```
1 ---
2 # Comments and Data on the Same Line
3 age: 30 # This is the person's age
```

Use Cases On Comments In The Perspective Of Documentation

- Explain Data Structure.
- Document Key Information.
- Provide Usage Examples.
- Highlight Important Decisions or Assumptions.
- Link to External Documentation.
- Warn of Potential Pitfalls.
- Guide Users on Customization.
- Update Changelog and Versioning Information.