Python Data Structures Cheat Sheet

List

Package/Method	1 Description	Code Example
append()	The 'append()' method is used to add an element to the end of a list.	<pre>Syntax: 1. 1 1. list_name.append(element) Copied! Example: 1. 1 2. 2 1. fruits = ["apple", "banana", "orange"] 2. fruits.append("mango") print(fruits)</pre>
copy()	The 'copy()' method is used to create a shallow copy of a list.	<pre>Copied! Example 1: 1. 1 2. 2 3. 3 1. my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] 2. new_list = my_list.copy() print(new_list) 3. # Output: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] Copied! Example:</pre>
count()	The `count()` method is used to count the number of occurrences of a specific element in a list in Python.	1. 1 2. 2 3. 3
Creating a list	A list is a built-in data type that represents an ordered and mutable collection of elements. Lists are enclosed in square brackets [] and elements are separated by commas.	Copied! Example: 1. 1 1. fruits = ["apple", "banana", "orange", "mango"] Copied! Example:
del	The 'del' statement is used to remove an element from list. 'del' statement removes the element at the specified index.	1. my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50] 2. del my_list[2] # Removes the element at index 2 print(my_list) 3. # Output: [10, 20, 40, 50] Copied!
extend()	The 'extend()' method is used to add multiple elements to a list. It takes an iterable (such as	Syntax: 1. 1 1. list_name.extend(iterable) Copied! Example:
entered (another list, tuple, or string) and appends each element of the iterable to the original list.	<pre>1. 1 2. 2 3. 3 4. 4 1. fruits = ["apple", "banana", "orange"] 2. more_fruits = ["mango", "grape"] 3. fruits.extend(more_fruits) 4. print(fruits)</pre>
Indexing	Indexing in a list allows you to access individual elements by their position. In Python, indexing starts from 0 for the first element and goes up to `length_of_list - 1`.	Copied! Example: 1. 1 2. 2 3. 3 4. 4 5. 5
		<pre>1. my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50] 2. print(my_list[0]) 3. # Output: 10 (accessing the first element) 4. print(my_list[-1])</pre>

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                                                                                   Syntax:
                                                                                      1. 1
                                                                                      1. list_name.insert(index, element)
                                                                                   Example:
insert()
                     The 'insert()' method is used to insert an element.
                                                                                      2. 2
3. 3
                                                                                      1. my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
2. my_list.insert(2, 6)
                                                                                      3. print(my_list)
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                                                                                   Example:
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2. 2
3. 3
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                     You can use indexing to modify or assign new
Modifying a list
                     values to specific elements in the list.
                                                                                      1. my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
2. my_list[1] = 25 # Modifying the second element
3. print(my_list)
                                                                                      4. # Output: [10, 25, 30, 40, 50]
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                                                                                   Example 1:
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5. 5
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7. 7
                                                                                      1. my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
2. removed_element = my_list.pop(2) # Removes and returns the element at index 2
3. print(removed_element)
                                                                                      4. # Output: 30
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                                                                                      6. print(my_list)
7. # Output: [10, 20, 40, 50]
                      'pop()' method is another way to remove an
                     element from a list in Python. It removes and
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                     returns the element at the specified index. If you
pop()
                     don't provide an index to the 'pop()' method, it will
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                     remove and return the last element of the list by
                     default
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5. 5
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                                                                                      1. my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
2. removed_element = my_list.pop() # Removes and returns the last element
                                                                                      3. print(removed_element)
                                                                                      4. # Output: 50
                                                                                       print(my_list)
                                                                                      7. # Output: [10, 20, 30, 40]
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                                                                                   Example:
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2. 2
                                                                                      3. 3
                     To remove an element from a list. The 'remove()'
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                     method removes the first occurrence of the
remove()
                                                                                      1. my_list = [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
2. my_list.remove(30) # Removes the element 30
3. print(my_list)
                     specified value.
                                                                                      4. # Output: [10, 20, 40, 50]
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                                                                                   Example 1:
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2. 2
                                                                                      3. 3
                     The 'reverse()' method is used to reverse the order
reverse()
                     of elements in a list
                                                                                      1. my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
2. my_list.reverse() print(my_list)
3. # Output: [5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
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Slicing
                     You can use slicing to access a range of elements
                                                                                   Syntax:
                     from a list.
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5. # Output: 50 (accessing the last element using negative indexing)

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1. list_name[start:end:step]

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Example:
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1. 1
2. 2 3. 3
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5. 5 6. 6 7. 7 8. 8 9. 9

10. 10

11. 11 12. 12

1. my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
2. print(my_list[1:4])
3. # Output: [2, 3, 4] (elements from index 1 to 3) 4.

5. print(my_list[:3])
6. # Output: [1, 2, 3] (elements from the beginning up to index 2)
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print(my_list[2:])
 # Output: [3, 4, 5] (elements from index 2 to the end)

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11. print(my_list[::2])
12. # Output: [1, 3, 5] (every second element)

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Example 1:

2. 2 3. 3

1. my_list = [5, 2, 8, 1, 9] 2. my_list.sort() 3. print(my_list) 4. # Output: [1, 2, 5, 8, 9]

sort()

The 'sort()' method is used to sort the elements of a list in ascending order. If you want to sort the list in descending order, you can pass the `reverse=True` argument to the 'sort()' method.

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Example 2:

1. 1 2. 2 3. 3 4. 4

1. my_list = [5, 2, 8, 1, 9]
2. my_list.sort(reverse=True)
3. print(my_list)

4. # Output: [9, 8, 5, 2, 1]

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Dictionary

Package/Method Description

Code Example

Syntax: 1. 1

1. Value = dict_name["key_name"]

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Accessing Values

You can access the values in a dictionary using their corresponding 'keys'.

Example:

1. name = person["name"]

2. age = person["age"]

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Syntax:

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1. dict_name[key] = value

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Add or modify

Inserts a new key-value pair into the dictionary. If the key already exists, the value will be updated; otherwise, a new Example: entry is created.

person["Country"] = "USA" # A new entry will be created.
 person["city"] = "Chicago" # Update the existing value for the same key

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    dict_name.clear()

                    The `clear()` method empties the dictionary, removing all Copied!
                    key-value pairs within it. After this operation, the
clear()
                                                                                  Example:
                    dictionary is still accessible and can be used further.
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    grades.clear()

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                                                                                  Svntax:
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                                                                                     1. new_dict = dict_name.copy()
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                    Creates a shallow copy of the dictionary. The new
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copy()
                    dictionary contains the same key-value pairs as the
                    original, but they remain distinct objects in memory.
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2. 2
                                                                                     1. new_person = person.copy()
2. new_person = dict(person) # another way to create a copy of dictionary
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                                                                                  Example:
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                    A dictionary is a built-in data type that represents a
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Creating a
                    collection of key-value pairs. Dictionaries are enclosed in
Dictionary
                                                                                     1. dict_name = {} #Creates an empty dictionary
2. person = { "name": "John", "age": 30, "city": "New York"}
                    curly braces `{}`.
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                                                                                  Syntax:
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    del dict_name[key]

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                    Removes the specified key-value pair from the dictionary.
del
                    Raises a 'KeyError' if the key does not exist.
                                                                                  Example:
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    del person["Country"]

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                                                                                  Syntax:
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                                                                                     1. items_list = list(dict_name.items())
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                    Retrieves all key-value pairs as tuples and converts them
items()
                    into a list of tuples. Each tuple consists of a key and its
                    corresponding value.
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                                                                                     1. info = list(person.items())
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                                                                                  Example:
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2. 2
                    You can check for the existence of a key in a dictionary
key existence
                    using the 'in' keyword

    if "name" in person:
    print("Name exists in the dictionary.")

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                                                                                     1. keys_list = list(dict_name.keys())
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                    Retrieves all keys from the dictionary and converts them
keys()
                    into a list. Useful for iterating or processing keys using list
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                    methods.
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                                                                                     1. person_keys = list(person.keys())
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                    The 'update()' method merges the provided dictionary into Syntax:
update()
                    the existing dictionary, adding or updating key-value pairs.
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Syntax:

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1. person.update({"Profession": "Doctor"})
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                                                                               Syntax:
                                                                                  1. values_list = list(dict_name.values())
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                    Extracts all values from the dictionary and converts them
values()
                   into a list. This list can be used for further processing or
                   analysis.
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                                                                                  1. person_values = list(person.values())
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Sets
Package/Method
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                                                                                                           Syntax:
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                                                                                                              1. set_name.add(element)
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                   Elements can be added to a set using the `add()` method. Duplicates are automatically
add()
                   removed, as sets only store unique values.
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    fruits.add("mango")

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    set_name.clear()

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                  The 'clear()' method removes all elements from the set, resulting in an empty set. It
clear()
                   updates the set in-place.
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    fruits.clear()

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                                                                                                           Syntax:
                                                                                                              1. new_set = set_name.copy()
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                  The 'copy()' method creates a shallow copy of the set. Any modifications to the copy
copy()
                   won't affect the original set.
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                                                                                                              1. new_fruits = fruits.copy()
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                                                                                                           Example:
                   A set is an unordered collection of unique elements. Sets are enclosed in curly braces
Defining Sets
                                                                                                              1. empty_set = set() #Creating an Empty Set
2. fruits = {"apple", "banana", "orange"}
                   `{}`. They are useful for storing distinct values and performing set operations.
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                                                                                                           Syntax:

    set_name.discard(element)

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                   Use the 'discard()' method to remove a specific element from the set. Ignores if the
discard()
                   element is not found.
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    fruits.discard("apple")

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1. dict_name.update({key: value})

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1. is_subset = set1.issubset(set2)
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                   The 'issubset()' method checks if the current set is a subset of another set. It returns
issubset()
                   True if all elements of the current set are present in the other set, otherwise False.
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                                                                                                                   1. is_subset = fruits.issubset(colors)
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                                                                                                                   1. is_superset = set1.issuperset(set2)
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                   The 'issuperset()' method checks if the current set is a superset of another set. It returns
issuperset()
                   True if all elements of the other set are present in the current set, otherwise False.
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                                                                                                                   1. is_superset = colors.issuperset(fruits)
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                                                                                                                Syntax:
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                                                                                                                   1. removed_element = set_name.pop()
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                   The 'pop()' method removes and returns an arbitrary element from the set. It raises a
                   'KeyError' if the set is empty. Use this method to remove elements when the order
pop()
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                   doesn't matter.
                                                                                                                   1. removed_fruit = fruits.pop()
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                                                                                                                Syntax:
                                                                                                                   1. set_name.remove(element)
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                   Use the 'remove()' method to remove a specific element from the set. Raises a
remove()
                   `KeyError` if the element is not found.
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    fruits.remove("banana")

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                                                                                                                   4.4
                                                                                                                   1. union_set = set1.union(set2)
2. intersection_set = set1.intersection(set2)
3. difference_set = set1.difference(set2)
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                   Perform various operations on sets: 'union', 'intersection', 'difference', 'symmetric
Set Operations
                   difference'.
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4. 4
                                                                                                                   1. combined = fruits.union(colors)
                                                                                                                   2. common = fruits.intersection(colors)
                                                                                                                   3. unique_to_fruits = fruits.difference(colors)4. sym_diff = fruits.symmetric_difference(colors)
                   The 'update()' method adds elements from another iterable into the set. It maintains the Syntax:
update()
                   uniqueness of elements.

    set_name.update(iterable)

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