

Python

Programming with Python

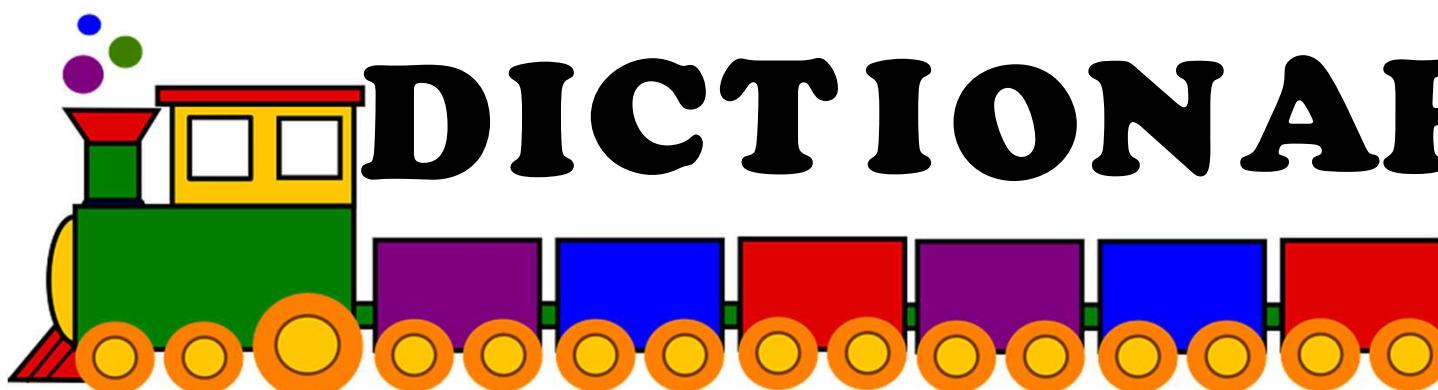
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DICTIONARY



Strings

- Strings in Python have type **str**
- They represent sequence of characters
 - Python does not have a type corresponding to character.
- Strings are enclosed in single quotes(') or double quotes("")
 - Both are equivalent
- Backslash (\) is used to escape quotes and special characters

Strings

```
>>> name='intro to python'  
>>> descr='acad\'s first course'
```

- More readable when `print` is used

```
>>> print(descr)  
acad's first course
```

Multiline string:

```
A= """ Geeksforgeeks, Noida  
      An Ed-Tech company,  
      founded by Mr Sandeep Jain """
```

```
>>> print(A)
```

```
Geeksforgeeks, Noida  
An Ed-Tech company,  
founded by Mr Sandeep Jain
```

Length of a String

- **len** function gives the length of a string

```
>>> name='intro to python'  
>>> empty=''  
>>> single='a'
```

\n is a **single** character:
the special character
representing newline

Concatenate and Repeat

- In Python, `+` and `*` operations have special meaning when operating on strings
 - `+` is used for concatenation of (two) strings
 - `*` is used to repeat a string, an `int` number of time
- **Operator Overloading**

Concatenate and Repeat

```
>>> details = name + ', ' + descr  
>>> details  
"intro to python, acad's first course"
```

()

()

Indexing

- Strings can be indexed
- First character has index 0

```
>>> name='Acads'
```

Indexing

- Negative indices start counting from the right
- Negatives indices start from -1
- -1 means last, -2 second last, ...

```
>>> name='Acads'  
>>> name[-1]  
's'  
>>> name[-5]  
'A'  
>>> name[-2]  
'd'
```

Indexing

- Using an index that is too large or too small results in “**index out of range**” error

Looping Through a String

Since strings are arrays, we can loop through the characters in a string, with a **for** loop.

Example

Loop through the letters in the word “Hello World!”:

```
for x in "Hello World!":  
    print(x)
```

H
e
l
l
o

.....

Membership role : in/ not in

Check String

To check if a certain phrase or character is present in a string, we can use the keyword in.

Example

Check if "best" is present in the following text:

```
>>>txt = "Honesty is the best policy!"  
>>>print("best" in txt)
```

True

Slicing

- To obtain a substring
- `s[start:end]` means substring of `s` starting at index `start` and ending at index `end-1`
- `s[0:len(s)]` is same as `s`
- Both `start` and `end` are optional
 - If `start` is omitted, it defaults to 0
 - If `end` is omitted, it defaults to the length of string
- `s[:]` is same as `s[0:len(s)]`, that is same as `s`

Slicing

```
>>> name='Acads'  
>>> name[0:3]
```

More Slicing

```
>>> name='Acads'  
>>> name[-4:-1]  
'cad'  
>>> name[-4:]  
'cads'  
>>> name[-4:4]  
'cad'
```

Understanding Indices for slicing

A	c	a	d	s	
0	1	2	3	4	5
-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	

Out of Range Slicing

A	c	a	d	s
0	1	2	3	4
-5	-4	-3	-2	-1

- Out of range indices are ignored for slicing
- when start and end have the same sign, if start \geq end, empty slice is returned

Why?

Modifying String

```
a = "Hello, World!"  
b = "Hello World!"
```

```
a.upper()      #Upper case conversion  
a.lower()      #Lower case Conversion  
a.strip()       #Removes all whitespaces from string  
                 #from both the ends of the string  
a.replace("H","J", [count])  
a.split(",")   #splits the string based on separator
```

f-strings

- A formatted string literal or **f-string** is a string literal that is prefixed with '**f**' or '**F**'.
- These strings may contain replacement fields, which are expressions delimited by curly braces **{ }**.
- While other string literals always have a constant value, formatted strings are really expressions evaluated at run time.

```
>>> name = "Fred"  
>>> f"He said his name is {name!r}."  
    "He said his name is 'Fred'."
```

```
>>> f"He said his name is {repr(name)}." # repr() is equivalent to !r"  
    He said his name is 'Fred'."
```

Custom String Formatting

The built-in string class provides the ability to do complex variable substitutions and value formatting via the **format()** method

Three conversion flags are currently supported: '**!s**' which calls `str()` on the value, '**!r**' which calls `repr()` and '**!a**' which calls `ascii()`.

Some examples:

"Harold's a clever {0!s}"	# Calls str() on the argument first
"Bring out the holy {name!r}"	# Calls repr() on the argument first
"More {!a}"	# Calls ascii() on the argument first

Accessing arguments by position:

```
>>> '{0}, {1}, {2}'.format('a', 'b', 'c')
'a, b, c'
>>> '{}, {}, {}'.format('a', 'b', 'c') # 3.1+ only
'a, b, c'
```

Accessing arguments by name:

```
>>> 'Coordinates: {latitude}, {longitude}'.format(latitude='37.24N', longitude='-115.81W')
'Coordinates: 37.24N, -115.81W'
```

Replacing %s and %r:

```
>>> "repr() shows quotes: {!r}; str() doesn't: {!s}".format('test1', 'test2')
"repr() shows quotes: 'test1'; str() doesn't: test2"
```

Accessing arguments' items:

```
>>> coord = (3, 5)
>>> 'X: {0[0]}; Y: {0[1]}'.format(coord)
'X: 3; Y: 5'
```

Aligning the text and specifying a width:

```
>>> '{:<30}'.format('left aligned')
'left aligned'
>>> '{:>30}'.format('right aligned')
'right aligned'
>>> '{:^30}'.format('centered')
'centered'
>>> '{:*^30}'.format('centered') # use '*' as a fill char
*****centered*****
```

Replacing %+f, %-f, and % f and specifying a sign:

```
>>> '{:+f}; {:+f}'.format(3.14, -3.14) # show it always
'+3.140000; -3.140000'
>>> '{: f}; {: f}'.format(3.14, -3.14) # show a space for positive numbers
' 3.140000; -3.140000'
>>> '{:-f}; {:-f}'.format(3.14, -3.14) # show only the minus -- same as '{:f}; {:f}'
'3.140000; -3.140000'
```

[More Functions on Python String](#)

1. What is the output of the code shown below?

```
{a}{b}{a}.format(a='hello', b='world')
```

- A. 'hello world'
- B. 'hello' 'world' 'hello'
- C. 'helloworldhello'
- D. 'hello' 'hello' 'world'

2. What does this command do str[::- 1]

- A. Selects only the last character of str
- B. Selects full string except the last character
- C. Reverses the str
- D. Select the -1th character

Can you figure out the output?

```
1. s="Hello"
2. print(s.replace("l", "e"))
3. print(s[3])
4. print(len(s))
5. print(s.__getitem__(3))
```

Heeeeo 125

Hello 125

Heeeeo

|

5

|

Hello

1

2

3

After the assignment `signal = 'abracadabra'`, what is returned by `signal[len(signal)]` ?

'a'

'abracadabra'

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an error

Determine the output for the following code

```
1. s = "Hi hElLo"  
2. print s.upper()  
3. print s.lower()
```

HI HELLO
hi hello

UPPER
LOWER

hi hello
HI HELLO

None of these