Everything about Python Dictionary



Creating

Empty dictionary

 $dict1 = {}$

Dictionary with values

person = {"name": "Rudra", "age": 25, "city": "New York"}

Using dict() constructor

dict2 = dict(name="Rudra", age=30, city="London")

Dictionary with mixed keys

mixed = {1: "one", "two": 2, (3, 4): "tuple key"}

Accessing Characters

print(person["name"]) # Rudra print(person.get("age")) # 25

Editing

Update value

person["age"] = 26

Add new key-value pair

person["gender"] = "Female"

2d new dict

person['subjects'] = {'maths', 'Physic'}

Operations

Check key existence

print("name" in person) # True print("food" not in person) # True

Dictionary length

print(len(person)) # Number of key-value pairs

Iterating over keys and values

for key, value in person.items(): print(key, "->", value)

Deleting

del person["city"] # Remove a key person.pop("age") # Remove and return value person.popitem() # last pair deleted person.clear() # Empty dictionary del person # whole dictionary deleted

keys = ["name", "age", "city"] values = ["Alice", 25, "New York"]

dictionary = {k: v for k, v in zip(keys, values)} print(dictionary)

{'name': 'Rudra', 'age': 25, 'city': 'New York'}

Dictionary comprehension

Basic

Squaring numbers from 1 to 5

squares = $\{x: x^{**}2 \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(1, 6)\}$ print(squares) # {1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9, 4: 16, 5: 25}

Filtering

Filtering even numbers from a dictionary

numbers = $\{x: x**2 \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(1, 11) \text{ if } x \% 2 == 0\}$ print(numbers) # {2: 4, 4: 16, 6: 36, 8: 64, 10: 100}

Nested

nested = $\{x: \{y: y^{**}2 \text{ for y in range}(1, 4)\} \text{ for x in range}(1, 3)\}$ print(nested)

{1: {1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9}, 2: {1: 1, 2: 4, 3: 9}}

Advanced Dictionary Features

Provides a default value for missing keys instead of throwing an error.

from collections import defaultdict

Default type is list

dd = defaultdict(list) dd["a"].append(1) dd["b"].append(2)

print(dd) # {'a': [1], 'b': [2]} print(dd["c"])

[] (returns default empty list instead of error)

Dictionary Functions

When/ Why	Function	Input	Output
Get value safely	get(key, default)	person.get("age", 0)	25 or 0 if missing
Get Keys	keys()	person. <mark>keys()</mark>	dict_keys(['name',])
Get Values	values()	person.values()	dict_values(['Rudra',])
Get key-values	items()	person. <mark>items()</mark>	dict_items([('name',])
Remove key	pop(key)	person.pop("age")	25 (returns value)
Remove last items	popitem	person.popitem()	('city', 'New York')
update dictionary	updat()	person.update({"age": 27})	Updates age to 27
Copy dictionary	copy()	new_dict = person.copy()	Creates a copy
Clear Dictionary	clear()	person.clear()	{} (empty dictionary)

