

## 1-mark MCQ questions with answers :

1) Which of the following is a valid variable name in Python?

- a) 2value
- b) value\_2
- c) class
- d) @value

Answer: b) value\_2

2) Which of the following Python sequence methods is used to find the number of times a specified value occurs in a list?

- a) find()
- b) count()
- c) index()
- d) len()

Answer: b) count()

## 5 marks questions with answers :

1) Question:

Explain *type coercion* in Python with an example. Mention one scenario where coercion is possible and one where it will throw an error.

Answer:

- Type **coercion** means converting a variable of one data type into another.
- Syntax: `datatype(object)`

**Example of successful coercion:**

```
salary_tier = "25"  
salary_tier = int(salary_tier)  
print(salary_tier + 5)
```

Here, the string "25" is successfully converted into an integer.

**Example of failed coercion:**

```
salary_tier = "twentyfive"  
salary_tier = int(salary_tier)
```

This throws an error because "twentyfive" cannot be converted into an integer.

Thus, coercion works only when the string is a valid representation of the target data type.

## 2) Question:

Differentiate between `index()` and `count()` methods in Python sequences with suitable examples.

Answer:

- **`index()`** returns the *first position* where the specified element occurs.
- **`count()`** returns the *number of occurrences* of the specified element.

Example:

```
numbers = [10, 20, 30, 20, 40, 20]
print(numbers.index(20))
print(numbers.count(20))
```

- Here, `index(20)` gives 1 because the first 20 is at position 1.
- `count(20)` gives 3 because the value 20 occurs three times.

Thus, `index()` is useful when you need the *location* of an element, while `count()` is useful when you need the *frequency*.

