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1 MARK MCQ TYPE QUESTIONS:

- 1. Which statement is true about Python objects and dictionary keys?
- a) Integers are mutable, so they cannot be used as dictionary keys.
- b) Strings are immutable and hashable; equal strings map to the same key slot.
- c) Lists are immutable and therefore ideal as dictionary keys.
- d) Tuples are always hashable regardless of what they contain.

Answer: b) Strings are immutable and hashable; equal strings map to the same key slot.

- 2. Which statement about common sequence methods is correct?
- a) count() returns the index of the first match, or -1 if not found.
- b) index() returns the index of the first match and raises an error if not found.
- c) Both count() and index() raise an error if the element is absent.
- d) index() returns the total number of occurrences of the element.

Answer: b) index() returns the index of the first match and raises an error if not found.

5 mark descriptive questions with answers:

1. Explain Python's variable scope rules (LEGB) and the roles of global and nonlocal. Use a short code example and state the exact output.

Answer:

LEGB: Name lookup order is Local \rightarrow Enclosing \rightarrow Global \rightarrow Built-ins. global lets a function rebind a name in the module (global) scope. nonlocal lets a nested function rebind a name in the nearest enclosing (non-global) scope.

Example:

```
x = 0
def outer():
    x = 1
    def inner():
        nonlocal x
        x += 2
        print("A:", x)
    inner()
    print("B:", x)
outer()
def g():
    global x
    x = 5
g()
print("C:", x)
```

Output:

A: 3

B: 3

C: 5

NOTE: inner() uses nonlocal x to modify outer's x $(1\rightarrow 3)$.g() uses global x to rebind the module-level x from 0 to 5.

2. Compare lists, tuples, and strings as Python sequences in terms of mutability, typical operations, and use-cases.

Answer:

Mutability: Lists = mutable; Tuples & Strings = immutable.

Operations: All support indexing, slicing, iteration, membership, length; lists add mutating ops (insert/remove/sort).

Performance/semantics: Tuples are lighter and hashable (when elements are hashable) → usable as dict keys; strings optimized for text ops (search, split, join).

Use-cases: Lists for dynamic collections; tuples for fixed records/keys; strings for textual data.