



Yaml Cheat Sheet +

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Type / Style	YAML Examples	Example Description
Start yaml document → Start of YAML Doc → Key: value pair → Key: value pair → Key: value pair →	--- game: tetris type: puzzle levels: ten	Simple key value pairs in Yaml (Dictionary)
Start yaml document → Key: → Value of employee → Value of employee → Value of employee → Value of employee →	--- employees: - Michael - Jim - Pam - Creed	List of Dictionaries
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Start yaml document → start playbook tasks → Ansible comment → Module name (template) → Parameter src → Parameter dest → Parameter owner → Parameter group → Parameter mode → Task modifier → First vars set in list → Second vars set in list → Register as a variable → Run as root (True=yes) →	--- tasks: - name: create file from template template: src: "{{ item.src }}" dest: "{{ item.dest }}" owner: goku group: saiyen mode: 0755 with_items: - {src: 'nvic1.j2', dest: '/tmp/namek1.txt'} - {src: 'nvic2.j2', dest: '/tmp/namek2.txt'} register: namek_visa_id_card become: yes	Ansible tasks are a specific dictionary of dictionaries which represents the parameters passed to an ansible module This task, using the template module, which loops over src/dest files
Start yaml document → Task description ansible → Module name (get_url) → Parameter url file to dl → Parameter place to save → Parameter rwx permisson → Ansible option argument → Param chdir before exec → Change Directory →	--- - name: download file from website get_url: url: "http://ilvcartoons.watch.com/ctn.tar.gz" dest: /home/professorX/ctn.tar.gz mode: '0644' args: chdir: "/home/professorX"	Ansible specific Dictionary of dictionaries with dictionary of dictionary Single task, get url set permissions, and change dir beforehand

Helpful Links	Purpose
http://www.yamlint.com/	Check Syntax of YAML
https://codebeautify.org/yaml-validator	Check Syntax of YAML
http://yaml.org/spec/1.2/spec.html	Extended YAML Documentation
https://github.com/Animosity/CraftIRC/wiki/Complete-idiot%27s-introduction-to-yaml	Introduction to YAML
http://ansible-docs.readthedocs.io/zh/stable-2.0/rst/YAMLSyntax.html	YAML with Ansible
https://learnxinyminutes.com/docs/yaml/	Quick YAML Examples

Facts
Tab characters are not to be used
YAML is CASE sensitive
End your YAML file with the .yaml or .yml extension
All members of a list are lines beginning at the same indentation level starting with a "-" (a dash and a space)
Three dashes --- is optional in starting a yaml document
Three periods ... is optional in ending a yaml document
Use a monospaced font such as courier new when writing yaml documents
Ansible playbooks are YAML files
YAML is a superset of JSON
Terms
sequences (arrays / lists) starts with a dash – then a space for each line
scalars (strings / numbers)
mappings (hashes / dictionaries) is a key: value form (the colon must be followed by a space)

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Jinja2 is a templating language for Python that is both web framework agnostic and language agnostic.

Language

Operation	Example	Use
<code>{{ <variable> }}</code>	<code>{{ name }}</code>	Interpolate variable
<code>{% for <var> in <list> %}</code> <code>... {% endfor %}</code>	<code>{% for x in range(3) %}</code> <code>{{ x }} {% endfor %}</code>	Loop over a list
<code>{% if <condition> %}</code> <code>{% else %}</code> <code>{% endif %}</code>	<code>{% if x is even %} It is even</code> <code>{% else %} It is odd</code> <code>{% endif %}</code>	Test for a condition to determine what to render
<code>{{ <var>.<attribute> }}</code> or <code>{{ <var>["<attribute>"] }}</code>	<code>{{ user.name }}</code> or <code>{{ user["name"] }}</code>	Access attribute or element
<code>{{ loop.<attr> }}</code>	<code>{{ loop.index }}</code>	Attribute of loop object
<code>{{ <something> <filter> }}</code>	<code>{{ loop.index filter }}</code>	Apply a filter to an expression
<code>{{ <foo> ~ <bar> }}</code>	<code>{{ name ~ " " ~ surname }}</code>	Concatenate
<code>{% set var = expression % }}</code>	<code>{% set var = name ~</code> <code>"~ surname %}</code>	Set variable to be used later

Loop object

`loop.index` -- 1-based index
`loop.index0` -- 0-based index
`loop.first` -- is it the first iteration
`loop.last` -- is it the last iteration

Filters

`tojson` -- convert to JSON
`escape` -- HTML escape
`indent` -- indent string

Tests

`even/odd` -- check if it is even or odd (respectively)
`defined` -- variable is defined
`divisibleby(n)` -- divisible by some number
`none` -- is None