

1. What exactly is []?

Ans : Empty square brackets [] represent an empty list in Python. A list is an ordered collection of items, which can be of different data types (numbers, strings, etc.).

2. In a list of values stored in a variable called spam, how would you assign the value 'hello' as the third value? (Assume [2, 4, 6, 8, 10] are in spam.)

Ans : spam = [2, 4, 6, 8, 10]

```
spam[2] = 'hello' # Indexing starts from 0, so 2 is the third position
```

```
print(spam) # Output: [2, 4, 'hello', 8, 10]
```

Let's pretend the spam includes the list ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'] for the next three queries.

3. What is the value of spam[int(int('3' \* 2) / 11)]?

Ans :

```
spam = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']
```

```
result = spam[int(int('3' * 2) / 11)] # Evaluates to spam[0]
```

```
print(result) # Output: 'a'
```

4. What is the value of spam[-1]?

Ans : print(spam[-1]) # Output: 'd' Negative index accesses elements from the end.

5. What is the value of spam[:2]?

Ans : Slicing spam to get the first two elements:

```
print(spam[:2]) # Output: ['a', 'b']
```

Let's pretend bacon has the list [3.14, 'cat', 11, 'cat', True] for the next three questions.

6. What is the value of bacon.index('cat')?

Ans :

```
bacon = [3.14, 'cat', 11, 'cat', True]
```

```
index = bacon.index('cat')
```

```
print(index) # Output: 1 (index of the first occurrence)
```

7. How does `bacon.append(99)` change the look of the list value in `bacon`?

Ans : Appending 99 to `bacon`:

```
bacon.append(99)

print(bacon) # Output: [3.14, 'cat', 11, 'cat', True, 99]
```

8. How does `bacon.remove('cat')` change the look of the list in `bacon`?

Ans : Removing the first occurrence of 'cat':

```
bacon.remove('cat')

print(bacon) # Output: [3.14, 11, 'cat', True, 99]
```

9. What are the list concatenation and list replication operators?

Ans : Concatenation: `+` operator joins lists.

Replication: `*` operator repeats a list multiple times.

10. What is difference between the list methods `append()` and `insert()`?

Ans : `append(x)` -> adds `x` to the end of the list.

`insert(i, x)` -> inserts `x` at index `i`.

11. What are the two methods for removing items from a list?

Ans : `remove(x)` removes the first occurrence of `x`.

`pop(i)` removes and returns the item at index `i` (default: last item).

`del list[i]` can also remove items.

12. Describe how list values and string values are identical.

Ans :

List values and string values in Python share several similarities:

- **Sequential Data Types:** Both lists and strings are sequential data types, meaning they contain an ordered sequence of elements.
- **Indexing:** Elements in both lists and strings can be accessed using indexing. You can access individual elements by their position in the sequence.
- **Slicing:** Both lists and strings support slicing operations, allowing you to extract sub-sequences or substrings.
- **Iteration:** You can iterate over both lists and strings using loops like **for** loops.

- **Concatenation:** Both lists and strings support concatenation, meaning you can combine multiple lists or strings to create a new one.
- **Immutable vs. Mutable:** While strings are immutable (you can't change individual characters), lists are mutable (you can change, add, or remove elements).

13. What's the difference between tuples and lists?

Ans : Tuples and lists are both data structures in Python used to store collections of items, but they have several key differences:

- **Mutability:**
  - Lists are mutable, meaning you can change, add, or remove elements after the list is created.
  - Tuples are immutable, meaning once they are created, their contents cannot be changed. You cannot add, remove, or modify elements in a tuple.
- **Syntax:**
  - Lists are enclosed in square brackets `[ ]`, and elements are separated by commas.
  - Tuples are enclosed in parentheses `( )`, and elements are separated by commas.
- **Use Cases:**
  - Lists are typically used when you need a collection of items that may need to be modified, reordered, or have elements added or removed frequently.
  - Tuples are often used when you want to create a collection of items that should remain constant throughout the program's execution, such as coordinates, database records, or configuration settings.
- **Iteration:**
  - Both lists and tuples support iteration using loops like **for** loops, allowing you to access each element sequentially.

14. How do you type a tuple value that only contains the integer 42?

Ans : `test = (42,)` (Comma is required for single-element tuples)

15. How do you get a list value's tuple form? How do you get a tuple value's list form?

Ans : To convert a list to a tuple, you use the `tuple()` function. For example:

```
my_list = [1, 2, 3]
```

```
my_tuple = tuple(my_list)
```

To convert a tuple to a list, you use the `list()` function. For example:

```
my_tuple = (1, 2, 3)

my_list = list(my_tuple)
```

16. Variables that "contain" list values are not necessarily lists themselves. Instead, what do they contain?

Ans : Variables that contain list values are actually references to the memory location where the list is stored. In Python, variables are essentially labels or names that refer to objects in memory. When you assign a list to a variable, the variable holds a reference to the memory location where the list is stored, rather than containing the list directly.

17. How do you distinguish between `copy.copy()` and `copy.deepcopy()`?

Ans : **`copy.copy()`** creates a shallow copy, meaning it duplicates only the top-level elements of the original object.

**`copy.deepcopy()`** creates a deep copy, duplicating both the top-level elements and all nested elements, recursively.

**Example :**

```
import copy

original_list = [[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]

shallow_copy = copy.copy(original_list)

deep_copy = copy.deepcopy(original_list)

# Modify the nested list in the original list

original_list[0][0] = 100

print("Original List:", original_list)

print("Shallow Copy:", shallow_copy)

print("Deep Copy:", deep_copy)
```

**Output:**

```
Original List: [[100, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]

Shallow Copy: [[100, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]

Deep Copy: [[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]]
```

In this example, you can see that the shallow copy (**`shallow_copy`**) references the same nested list as the original, so modifying the nested list in the original also affects the shallow copy.

However, the deep copy (**deep\_copy**) contains completely independent copies of all nested objects, so it remains unaffected by changes to the original list.