DICTIONARIES

• Creation of New Dictionary

- You can define it like any other variable, just make sure to use curly braces `{}` and separate key-value pairs with colons `:`.

Creating a new dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

- 1# Accessing values

```
lprint(new_dict['key1']) # Output: value1
```

- You can then use this `new_dict` variable throughout your Jupyter Notebook session.

• Accessing Items in the Dictionary

- You can do this by directly referencing the key within square brackets `[]`.

Accessing items in the dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Accessing values using keys

```
print(new_dict['key1']) # Output: value1
print(new_dict['key2']) # Output: value2
print(new_dict['key3']) # Output: value3
```

If the key doesn't exist, it will raise a `KeyError`. So, make sure the key exists in the dictionary before accessing it.

• Change Values in the Dictionary

 You can change the values associated with keys in a dictionary by simply assigning a new value to the corresponding key.

Original dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Changing the value associated with 'key2'

```
new dict['key2'] = 'new value2'
```

Displaying the updated dictionary

print(new dict)

• Loop Through a Dictionary Values

- To loop through the values of a dictionary in Python, you can use a `for` loop.

Original dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Looping through the values

```
for value in new_dict.values():
    print(value)
```

In this loop, `new_dict.values()` returns a view object that displays a list of all the values in the dictionary. The `for` loop then iterates over each value, allowing you to perform operations on them.

• Check if Key Exists in the Dictionary

- To check if a key exists in a dictionary, you can use the in keyword. Here's how you can do it:

Original dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Check if a key exists

```
if 'key2' in new_dict:
  print('Key "key2" exists in the dictionary')
else:
  print('Key "key2" does not exist in the dictionary')
```

Alternatively, you can use the get() method of dictionaries, which returns None if the key is not found (or a specified default value if provided):

Using the get() method

```
value = new dict.get('key2')
```

```
if value is not None:
  print('Key "key2" exists in the dictionary')
else:
  print('Key "key2" does not exist in the dictionary')
```

• Checking for Dictionary Length

- To check the length (number of key-value pairs) of a dictionary in Python, you can use the `len()` function.

Original dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Get the length of the dictionary

```
dictionary_length = len(new_dict)
```

print("The dictionary length is:", dictionary length)

The dictionary length is: 3

The `len()` function returns the number of items (key-value pairs) in the dictionary. In this case, it returns `3`, indicating that there are three items in the dictionary.

Adding Items in the Dictionary

You can add items to a dictionary in Python by simply assigning a value to a new key, or by using the `update()` method to add multiple items from another dictionary. Here's how you can do it:

Adding a single item:

```
# Original dictionary
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2'}
# Adding a new key-value pair
new_dict['key3'] = 'value3'
print(new dict)
```

```
Adding multiple items:
```

```
# Original dictionary
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2'}

# Another dictionary with items to add
additional_dict = {'key3': 'value3', 'key4': 'value4'}

# Adding items from another dictionary
new_dict.update(additional_dict)

print(new_dict)
```

• Removing Items in the Dictionary

- You can remove items from a dictionary in Python using the `del` keyword to delete a specific key-value pair or using the `pop()` method to remove an item and return its value.

Removing a specific item by key using `del`:

```
# Original dictionary
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}

# Removing a specific key-value pair
del new_dict['key2']

print(new_dict)

Removing a specific item by key using `pop()`:

# Original dictionary
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3': 'value3'}
```

In both cases, the specified item is removed from the dictionary. However, using `del` does not return the

Removing and returning the value of a specific key

value = new dict.pop('key2')

print("Removed value:", value)

print("Updated dictionary:", new dict)

removed value, while `pop()` does. Choose the appropriate method based on whether you need to keep track of the removed value or not.

• Remove an Item Using del Statement

- removing an item from a dictionary using the `del`
 statement:

Original dictionary

```
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Removing a specific key-value pair using del

del new dict['key2']

Displaying the updated dictionary

print(new dict)

In this example, the key `'key2'` along with its corresponding value `'value2'` is removed from the dictionary `new dict` using the `del` statement.

• The dict() Constructor

- The `dict()` constructor in Python is used to create a new dictionary object. It can be called without arguments to create an empty dictionary or with arguments to create a dictionary with initial key-value pairs.

Creating an empty dictionary:

```
empty_dict = dict()
# Or equivalently:
empty dict = {}
```

Creating a dictionary with initial key-value pairs:

```
new_dict = dict(key1='value1', key2='value2',
key3='value3')
# Or equivalently:
new_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2', 'key3':
'value3'}
```

Creating a dictionary from an iterable of key-value pairs:

```
key_value_pairs = [('key1', 'value1'), ('key2', 'value2'),
('key3', 'value3')]
```

```
constructed dict = dict(key value pairs)
```

Creating a dictionary from two lists, one for keys and one for values:

```
keys = ['key1', 'key2', 'key3']
values = ['value1', 'value2', 'value3']
constructed dict = dict(zip(keys, values))
```

Copying a dictionary:

```
original_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2'}
copied_dict = dict(original_dict)
```

The `dict()` constructor provides a flexible way to create dictionaries in Python, allowing you to construct dictionaries from various data types and representations.

• Dictionary Methods

- Here are some common methods that you can use with dictionaries in Python:

dict.keys(): returns a view object that displays a list of all the keys in the dictionary.

```
my_dict = {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
keys = my_dict.keys()
print(keys) # Output: dict keys(['a', 'b', 'c'])
```

dict.values(): returns a view object that displays a list of all the values in the dictionary.

```
my_dict = {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
values = my_dict.values()
print(values) # Output: dict_values([1, 2, 3])
```

dict.items(): returns a view object that displays a list
of tuples, where each tuple contains a key-value pair.

```
my_dict = {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
items = my_dict.items()
print(items) # Output: dict_items([('a', 1), ('b', 2),
('c', 3)])
```

dict.get(key[, default]): returns the value for the
specified key in the dictionary. If the key is not found,
it returns the default value or `None` if not provided.

```
my_dict = {'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3}
value_a = my_dict.get('a')
value_d = my_dict.get('d', 'Key not found')
print(value_a) # Output: 1
print(value_d) # Output: Key not found
```

dict.update(other_dict): updates the dictionary with
elements from another dictionary or from an iterable of
key-value pairs.

```
my_dict = {'a': 1, 'b': 2}
other_dict = {'b': 3, 'c': 4}
my_dict.update(other_dict)
print(my_dict) # Output: {'a': 1, 'b': 3, 'c': 4}
```

Each method provides different functionality for working with dictionaries efficiently.