

Ansible-Day-5

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► How to declare variable in ansible playbooks

```
---
- hosts: all
  become: yes
  var:
    pkg_name: git
  tasks:
    - name: Install git
      yum:
        name: {{ pkg_name }}
        state: present
```

Execute the playbook the and show installation done successfully.

► Override the git variable explicitly during ansible playbook execution

```
ansible-playbook -i hosts -v -e "pkg_name=tree" samp.yml
```

► Define variables in /etc/hosts as host variables & group variables

```
[webserver]
10.1.2.100      pkg_name=wget

[dbserver]
10.2.1.200
10.2.2.201

[dbserver:vars]
pkg_name=apache2
```

► Write a playbook to install the package using host vars

```
---
- hosts: webserver
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: print the variable
      debug:
        msg: The variable pkg_name is: "{{ pkg_name }}"

o/p:-
The variable pkg_name is: wget
```

► Write a playbook to install the package using group vars

```
---
- hosts: dbserver
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: print the variable
```

```
debug:
  msg: The variable pkg_name is: "{{ pkg_name }}"
```

o/p:-
The variable pkg_name is: apache2

► Priority levels of variable

0 --> group_vars
1 --> host_vars
2 --> variable in playbook
3 --> variable passed through the command line

- **Example: Maintain variables in**
 - **group_vars(apache2)**
 - **host_vars(wget)**
 - **playbook(git)**
 - **command line(tree) & test the priority levels**

- **Write a playbook & execute**

```
---
- hosts: all
  become: yes
  vars:
    pkg_name: git
  tasks:
    - name: print the variable
      debug:
        msg: The variable pkg_name is: "{{ pkg_name }}"
```

exec1-

```
ansible-playbook -i hosts -e "pkg_name=tree" -v smp.yml
```

o/p:
The variable pkg_name is: tree

exec2:-

```
ansible-playbook -i hosts -v smp.yml
```

o/p:
The variable pkg_name is: git

exec3:- Disable variable & define host vars for dbserver group also

```
ansible-playbook -i hosts -v smp.yml
```

o/p:
The variable pkg_name is: wget

exec4:-

```
ansible-playbook -i hosts -v smp.yml
```

o/p:
The variable pkg_name is: apache2

► New way of declaring the group_vars & host_vars

```
cd /home/ansible
ls
hosts
group_vars/webserver.yml
host_vars/10.1.2.100.yml
```

- **Create host file with this contents**

The host file contains details like

```
[webserver]
10.1.1.100
10.1.1.101
```

```
[dbserver]
10.1.2.100
```

- **Define variables at group level**

```
webserver.yml
---
pkg_name: git
```

- **Define variables at host level**

```
10.1.2.100.yml
---
pkg_name: tree
```

- **Provide hosts details as web-server & check which package is getting executed**

```
---
- hosts: webserver
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: print the pkg_name
      debug:
        msg: value of pkg_name is "{{ pkg_name }}"
```

Exec: On webserver related nodes git package will get installed

- **Provide hosts details as ip-details & check which package is getting executed**

```
---
- hosts: 10.1.2.100
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: print the pkg_name
      debug:
        msg: value of pkg_name is "{{ pkg_name }}"
```

Exec: On 10.1.2.100 node tree package will get installed

- **Provide all hosts & check which package is getting executed**

```
---
- hosts: all
  become: yes
  tasks:
    - name: print the pkg_name
      debug:
        msg: value of pkg_name is "{{ pkg_name }}"
```

Exec: On webserver related nodes git package will get installed
On 10.1.2.100 node tree package will get installed