



Dictionaries



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- Dictionaries are unordered mappings for storing objects. Previously we saw how lists store objects in an ordered sequence, dictionaries use a key-value pairing instead.
- This key-value pair allows users to quickly grab objects without needing to know an index location.



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- Dictionaries use curly braces and colons to signify the keys and their associated values.

`{'key1':'value1','key2':'value2'}`

- So when to choose a list and when to choose a dictionary?



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- **Dictionaries:** Objects retrieved by key name.

Unordered and can not be sorted.

- **Lists:** Objects retrieved by location.

Ordered Sequence can be indexed or sliced.

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```
In [1]: my_dict = {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2'}
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In [2]: my_dict
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Out[2]: {'key1': 'value1', 'key2': 'value2'}
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In [ ]:
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In [3]: my_dict['key1']
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Out[3]: 'value1'
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In [4]: prices_lookup = {'apple':2.99, 'oranges':1.99, 'milk':5.80}
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In [ ]: price|
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Out[3]: 'value1'

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In [4]: prices_lookup = {'apple':2.99,'oranges':1.99,'milk':5.80}
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In [5]: prices_lookup['apple']
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Out[5]: 2.99

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Out[5]: 2.99

```
In [6]: d = {'k1':123, 'k2':[0,1,2], 'k3':{'insideKey':100}}
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In [7]: d['k2']
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Out[7]: [0, 1, 2]

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In [ ]: |
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In [4]:

prices_lookup = { apple :2.99, oranges :1.99, MILK :5.80 }

In [5]:

prices_lookup['apple']

Out[5]:

2.99

In [6]:

d = { 'k1':123, 'k2':[0,1,2], 'k3':{'insideKey':100} }

In [7]:

d['k2']

Out[7]:

[0, 1, 2]

In [9]:

d['k3']['insideKey']

Out[9]:

100

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Out[9]: 100

In [11]: `d = {'key1': ['a', 'b', 'c']}`

In [12]: `d`

Out[12]: `{'key1': ['a', 'b', 'c']}`

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Out[12]: {'key1': ['a', 'b', 'c']}

In [13]: mylist = d['key1']

In [14]: mylist

Out[14]: ['a', 'b', 'c']

In []: letter = mylist[2]

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In [16]: letter
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Out[16]: 'c'
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In [17]: letter.upper()
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Out[17]: 'C'
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In [ ]: |
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In [18]:

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d
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Out[18]: {'key1': ['a', 'b', 'c']}

In [21]:

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d['key1'][2].upper()
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Out[21]: 'C'

In []:

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Out[21]: 'C'

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In [22]: d = {'k1':100, 'k2':200}
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In [24]: d
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Out[24]: {'k1': 100, 'k2': 200}

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In [ ]: d['k3'] = 300
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Out[24]: {'k1': 100, 'k2': 200}

In [25]: d['k3'] = 300

In [26]: d

Out[26]: {'k1': 100, 'k2': 200, 'k3': 300}

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Out[26]: {'k1': 100, 'k2': 200, 'k3': 300}

In [27]: d['k1'] = 'NEW VALUE'

In [28]: d

Out[28]: {'k1': 'NEW VALUE', 'k2': 200, 'k3': 300}

In []:

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Out[28]: {'k1': 'NEW VALUE', 'k2': 200, 'k3': 300}

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In [29]: d = {'k1': 100, 'k2': 200, 'k3': 300}
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In [30]: d.keys()
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Out[30]: dict_keys(['k1', 'k2', 'k3'])

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In [ ]: d.values()
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In [31]: `d.values()`

Out[31]: `dict_values([100, 200, 300])`

In [32]: `d.items()`

Out[32]: `dict_items([('k1', 100), ('k2', 200), ('k3', 300)])`

In []: |