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50 Essential C# Interview Questions & Answers

◆ What is C#?

A modern, object-oriented language by Microsoft, part of the .NET ecosystem.

◆ String vs. StringBuilder?

String is immutable; StringBuilder allows efficient modifications.

◆ const vs. readonly?

const is compile-time constant; readonly can be set at runtime.

◆ using statement?

Manages namespaces and auto-disposes objects.

◆ Boxing & Unboxing?

Converting value type ↔ reference type.

◆ var keyword?

Implicitly types variables based on assigned values.

◆ async & await?

For asynchronous programming without blocking threads.

◆ == vs. Equals()?

== compares values, Equals() compares object contents.

◆ Delegate?

A reference type for method pointers.

◆ LINQ?

Querying collections like databases.

◆ Garbage Collection?

Automatic memory management in .NET.

◆ Singleton Pattern?

Ensures only one instance of a class.

◆ throw vs. throw ex?

throw keeps stack trace; throw ex resets it.

◆ try-catch-finally?

Handles exceptions, with finally ensuring execution.

◆ sealed keyword?

Prevents class inheritance.

◆ Interface?

Defines methods without implementations.

◆ Method Overloading?

Same method name, different parameters.

◆ out keyword?

Passes parameters by reference.

◆ Property?

Encapsulates private fields with getters & setters.

◆ IEnumerable?

Allows collection iteration.

◆ Indexers?

Objects behave like arrays.

◆ Events?

Enable notifications between objects.

◆ lock statement?

Prevents race conditions in multithreading.

◆ params keyword?

Allows a variable number of arguments.

◆ Nullable types?

Value types that can store null.

◆ ref keyword?

Passes variables by reference.

◆ Interface vs. Abstract Class?

Interface = no implementation, abstract class = partial implementation.

◆ yield keyword?

Simplifies custom iterators.

◆ Access Modifiers?

public, private, protected, internal, etc.

◆ base keyword?

Accesses the parent class.

◆ this keyword?

Refers to the current instance.

◆ Polymorphism?

Allows different implementations under a common interface.

◆ String.Split()?

Splits a string into an array.

◆ Dispose()?

Releases unmanaged resources.

◆ Generics?

Enable reusable type-safe methods/classes.

◆ Nullable<T>?

Represents value types that can be null.

◆ volatile keyword?

Prevents compiler optimizations in multi-threading.

◆ as keyword?

Safe type casting.

◆ static keyword?

Defines class-level members.

◆ Value Type vs. Reference Type?

Value types store data, reference types store memory addresses.

◆ using & IDisposable?

Ensures proper resource disposal.

◆ IoC (Inversion of Control)?

Dependency injection for better architecture.

◆ Extension Methods?

Add methods to existing types without modifying them.

◆ nameof operator?

Returns the name of a variable or type as a string.

◆ async/await pattern?

Manages asynchronous operations efficiently.

◆ Thread class?

Manages multi-threading in C#.

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