## **Dictionary**

- Dictionary collection contains a group of elements of key/value pairs.
- > Full Path: System.Collections.Generic.Dictionary
- > The "Dictionary" class is a generic class; so you need to specify data type of the key and data type of the value while creating object.
- > You can set / get the value based on the key.
- > The key can't be null or duplicate.

[key 0]	value0
[key 1]	value1
[key 2]	value2
[key 3]	value3
[key 4]	value4
[key 5]	value5

[key 6]

**Dictionary Collection** 

value6

## 'Dictionary' collection

**Dictionary**<TKey, TValue> referenceVariable = new Dictionary<TKey, TValue>();



- > It is dynamically sized. You can add, remove elements (key/value pairs) at any time.
- > Key can't be null or duplicate; but value can be null or duplicate.
  - > It is not index-based. You need to access elements by using key.
  - > It is not sorted by default. The elements are stored in the same order, how they are initialized.

Properties

Count: Returns count of elements.

Returns value based on specified key.

Returns a collection of key (without values).

Returns a collection of values (without keys).

Methods

> void Add(TKey, TValue) : Adds an element (key/value pair).

> bool Remove(TKey) : Removes an element based on specified key.

> bool ContainsKey(TKey) : Determines whether the specified key exists.

> bool ContainsValue(TValue) : Determines whether the specified value exists.

> void Clear() : Removes all elements.

Determines whether the specified value exists.