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- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) Error
- D) None

☒ **Answer: B**

2. Which of the following is a mutable data type?

- A) list
- B) tuple
- C) string
- D) int

☒ **Answer: A**

3. Which method adds an element at the end of a list?

- A) `append()`
- B) `insert()`
- C) `extend()`
- D) `add()`

☒ **Answer: A**

4. How can you remove all elements from a list?

- A) `del list`
- B) `list.remove()`
- C) `list.clear()`
- D) `list.delete()`

☒ **Answer: C**

5. Which of the following is used to create a tuple?

- A) `{ }`
- B) `[]`
- C) `()`

D) `<>`

☒ Answer: C

6. Which of these data types is immutable?

- A) list
- B) dictionary
- C) set
- D) tuple

☒ Answer: D

7. Which method is used to remove a particular element from a set?

- A) `remove()`
- B) `discard()`
- C) `pop()`
- D) All of the above

☒ Answer: D

8. Sets in Python are:

- A) Ordered
- B) Indexed
- C) Mutable
- D) Allow duplicate values

☒ Answer: C

9. Which of the following will create an empty dictionary?

- A) `{}`
- B) `dict()`
- C) `[]`
- D) Both A and B

☒ Answer: D

10. How do you access a value in a dictionary?

- A) dict.key
- B) dict.value
- C) dict[key]
- D) dict{key}

☒ **Answer: C**

11. What is the output of: `len({'a': 1, 'b': 2, 'c': 3})`?

- A) 1
- B) 2
- C) 3
- D) Error

☒ **Answer: C**

12. Which operation is not allowed on sets?

- A) add
- B) update
- C) append
- D) discard

☒ **Answer: C**

13. Which data structure uses LIFO?

- A) Queue
- B) Stack
- C) List
- D) Set

☒ **Answer: B**

14. Which module provides support for array data structure?

- A) struct
- B) array
- C) list

D) collections

☒ Answer: B

15. What will `my_list = [1, 2, 3]; print(my_list[3])` produce?

A) 3

B) Error

C) None

D) 0

☒ Answer: B

16. Which keyword is used to define a function in Python?

A) function

B) def

C) fun

D) define

☒ Answer: B

17. Which data structure does not allow duplicates?

A) list

B) tuple

C) dictionary

D) set

☒ Answer: D

18. What will `list("abc")` return?

A) ['a', 'b', 'c']

B) ['abc']

C) 'a', 'b', 'c'

D) ('a', 'b', 'c')

☒ Answer: A

19. The default mode for the `pop()` method in lists removes:

- A) First item
- B) Last item
- C) Random item
- D) Middle item

 **Answer: B**

20. Which structure follows FIFO?

- A) Stack
- B) Array
- C) Queue
- D) List

 **Answer: C**


21. Which of the following can be used as a key in a dictionary?

- A) List
- B) Dictionary
- C) Tuple
- D) Set

 **Answer: C**

22. What is the output of `set([1, 2, 2, 3])`?

- A) {1, 2, 2, 3}
- B) {1, 2, 3}
- C) [1, 2, 3]
- D) Error

 **Answer: B**

23. Which method returns the number of times a value appears in a list?

- A) `count()`
- B) `index()`
- C) `find()`

D) search()

 **Answer: A**

24. What does `my_dict.get('key', 'default')` do?

A) Returns 'key'

B) Returns 'default' if 'key' is not found

C) Throws error

D) Adds key

 **Answer: B**

25. Which method combines two dictionaries in Python 3.9+?

A) merge()

B) update()

C) | operator

D) append()

 **Answer: C**

26. What is the output of `len(set([1, 2, 2, 3, 4]))`?

A) 5

B) 4

C) 3

D) Error

 **Answer: B**


27. Which of the following removes an item from a list by index?

A) del

B) remove()

C) pop()

D) All of the above

 **Answer: D**

28. Which is a Python built-in module for implementing queues with thread-safety?

- A) queue
- B) list
- C) collections
- D) os

 **Answer: A**

29. Which method returns the index of first matching item?

- A) index()
- B) find()
- C) locate()
- D) position()

 **Answer: A**


30. What does `reversed([1,2,3])` return?

- A) [3, 2, 1]
- B) reversed object
- C) (3, 2, 1)
- D) None

 **Answer: B**

31. What is the output of `list(range(3))`?

- A) [1, 2, 3]
- B) [0, 1, 2]
- C) [0, 1, 2, 3]
- D) [1, 2]

 **Answer: B**


32. Which of the following is the correct syntax to create an empty set?

- A) `set = {}`
- B) `set()`
- C) `{}`
- D) `[]`

 **Answer: B**

33. Which built-in function returns the largest item in an iterable?

- A) largest()
- B) max()
- C) top()
- D) big()

 **Answer: B**

34. Which method would you use to get all keys from a dictionary?

- A) getkeys()
- B) keys()
- C) items()
- D) values()

 **Answer: B**

35. Which of the following removes the first item with the specified value in a list?

- A) del
- B) pop()
- C) remove()
- D) discard()

 **Answer: C**


36. What is the output of `bool([])`?

- A) True
- B) False
- C) Error
- D) None


 **Answer: B**

37. What is the time complexity of accessing a value in a dictionary by key?


- A) $O(n)$
- B) $O(\log n)$

- C) $O(1)$
 - D) $O(n \log n)$
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38. Which data structure uses curly braces `{ }` and key-value pairs?

- A) List
 - B) Tuple
 - C) Set
 - D) Dictionary
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39. What does the `update()` method do in a dictionary?

- A) Changes values
 - B) Adds new key-value pairs or updates existing ones
 - C) Deletes items
 - D) Resets dictionary
-  **Answer: B**
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40. Which method removes a random element from a set?

- A) `discard()`
 - B) `remove()`
 - C) `pop()`
 - D) `delete()`
-  **Answer: C**
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41. Which collection type is best for storing unique items?

- A) List
 - B) Tuple
 - C) Set
 - D) Dictionary
-  **Answer: C**
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42. What is the output of `tuple("abc")` ?

- A) ('abc')
- B) ['a', 'b', 'c']
- C) ('a', 'b', 'c')
- D) Error

 **Answer: C**

43. Which of the following methods adds elements from one list to another?

- A) `append()`
- B) `insert()`
- C) `extend()`
- D) `join()`

 **Answer: C**

44. What is the result of `[1, 2] + [3, 4]`?

- A) [1, 2, 3, 4]
- B) [1, 2, [3, 4]]
- C) Error
- D) [4, 6]

 **Answer: A**

45. Which method gives you a copy of a list?

- A) `clone()`
- B) `copy()`
- C) `duplicate()`
- D) `replicate()`

 **Answer: B**

46. What data structure is best suited for a Last-In-First-Out (LIFO) use case?

- A) List
- B) Set
- C) Stack

D) Queue

 **Answer: C**

47. Which keyword is used to iterate over items in a collection?

A) repeat

B) loop

C) iterate

D) for

 **Answer: D**

48. How do you check if a key exists in a dictionary?

A) `key in dict`

B) `dict.has_key(key)`

C) `dict.exists(key)`

D) `key.exists()`

 **Answer: A**

49. What is the output of `len((1, 2, (3, 4)))`?

A) 2

B) 3

C) 4

D) Error

 **Answer: B**


50. Which of the following types is not ordered?

A) List

B) Tuple

C) Dictionary (before Python 3.7)

D) String

 **Answer: C**

1. What is the time complexity of linear search in the worst case?

- A) $O(1)$
- B) $O(\log n)$
- C) $O(n)$
- D) $O(n \log n)$

 **Answer: C**

2. Binary search can be applied only on:

- A) Unsorted arrays
- B) Sorted arrays
- C) Any array
- D) None

 **Answer: B**

3. What is the time complexity of binary search in the best case?

- A) $O(n)$
- B) $O(\log n)$
- C) $O(1)$
- D) $O(n \log n)$

 **Answer: C**

4. Which of the following is not true about linear search?

- A) It is simple and easy to implement
- B) It works on sorted and unsorted arrays
- C) It is faster than binary search
- D) It scans each element one by one

 **Answer: C**

5. What is the worst-case time complexity of binary search?

- A) $O(n)$
- B) $O(\log n)$
- C) $O(n \log n)$
- D) $O(1)$

 **Answer: B**

6. In binary search, if the element is not found, the search space becomes:

- A) Half of the list
- B) Entire list
- C) Zero
- D) Same

 **Answer: C**

7. In a list of 1024 elements, what is the maximum number of comparisons in binary search?


- A) 10
- B) 1024
- C) 512
- D) 11

 **Answer: D**

(Reason: $\log_2(1024) = 10$, but worst-case is $\log_2(n)+1$ comparisons)


8. What will a linear search return if the target is not found?

- A) 0
- B) -1
- C) None
- D) Error

 **Answer: B** (*commonly used convention*)

9. Which of the following is a recursive implementation of binary search likely to use?

- A) Loop
- B) Queue
- C) Stack
- D) Array

 **Answer: C** (*recursion uses stack*)

10. In binary search, after each comparison, how is the array divided?

- A) Randomly
- B) Into three equal parts
- C) In half
- D) It is not divided

 **Answer: C**

11. What is required before performing binary search?

- A) Sorting the array
- B) Checking length
- C) Counting elements
- D) Nothing

 **Answer: A**

12. What is the average-case time complexity of linear search?

- A) $O(n)$
- B) $O(\log n)$
- C) $O(1)$
- D) $O(n^2)$

 **Answer: A**

13. Which search algorithm is better for a small number of elements?

- A) Linear Search
- B) Binary Search
- C) Hash Search
- D) None

 **Answer: A**

14. Which of the following is correct for binary search algorithm?

- A) Starts at first element
- B) Always checks the last element
- C) Uses the middle element
- D) Uses hash function

 **Answer: C**

15. Which search method guarantees finding the first occurrence of a value in an unsorted list?

- A) Binary Search
- B) Linear Search
- C) Hash Search
- D) Jump Search

 **Answer: B**

16. In which scenario is linear search preferable over binary search?

- A) Sorted list
- B) Large list
- C) List with only a few elements
- D) None

 **Answer: C**

17. Binary search is a type of:

- A) Divide and Conquer algorithm
- B) Dynamic Programming

- C) Greedy Algorithm
- D) Brute Force

 **Answer: A**

18. What will `binary_search([1,3,5,7,9], 4)` return (assuming proper implementation)?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) -1
- D) 1

 **Answer: C**

19. What is returned in a successful binary search?

- A) Boolean value
- B) Index of found element
- C) All elements
- D) Middle element

 **Answer: B**

20. Which of the following is true about both linear and binary search?

- A) Both require sorted input
- B) Both use recursion
- C) Both can find a missing element
- D) Both return the index of the element if found

 **Answer: D**

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- A) Selection Sort
- B) Merge Sort
- C) Insertion Sort
- D) Bubble Sort

 **Answer: C**

22. What is the average-case time complexity of Bubble Sort?

- A) $O(n)$
- B) $O(\log n)$
- C) $O(n^2)$
- D) $O(n \log n)$

 **Answer: C**

23. Which of the following sorts is adaptive?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Insertion Sort
- C) Both A and B
- D) Selection Sort

 **Answer: C**

24. Which sorting algorithm performs better when the number of elements is large?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Selection Sort
- C) Insertion Sort
- D) None of these

 **Answer: D**

25. What happens if no swaps are made in a pass of bubble sort?

- A) The algorithm continues
- B) The list is reversed
- C) The algorithm stops early

D) An error occurs

☒ **Answer: C**

26. Which is the most swap-efficient among the three: bubble, selection, insertion?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Selection Sort
- C) Insertion Sort
- D) All are same

☒ **Answer: B**

27. In Insertion Sort, which element is considered in the second pass?

- A) First
- B) Second
- C) Third
- D) Last

☒ **Answer: C**

28. Selection Sort finds the minimum element in:

- A) First half only
- B) Entire unsorted part
- C) Whole list
- D) Sorted part only

☒ **Answer: B**

29. What is the main purpose of the inner loop in Bubble Sort?

- A) To find minimum element
- B) To insert elements
- C) To compare and swap adjacent elements
- D) To sort using divide and conquer

☒ **Answer: C**

30. Which sort is most suitable for real-time systems where swaps are costly?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Insertion Sort
- C) Selection Sort
- D) Quick Sort

 **Answer: C**

31. Which sorting technique does not require checking every adjacent pair each time?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Insertion Sort
- C) Selection Sort
- D) Heap Sort

 **Answer: C**


32. In which sort does the number of comparisons always remain the same regardless of order?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Selection Sort
- C) Insertion Sort
- D) None

 **Answer: B**

33. Which sort is guaranteed to make at most $(n-1)$ swaps in all cases?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Insertion Sort
- C) Selection Sort
- D) Merge Sort

 **Answer: C**

34. In Python, how do we insert elements in Insertion Sort?

- A) Use `insert()` method
- B) Swap until in position
- C) Shift larger elements

D) Use slicing

 **Answer: C**


35. Which sorting algorithm keeps growing a sorted list from left to right?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Insertion Sort
- C) Selection Sort
- D) Radix Sort

 **Answer: B**

36. Which algorithm always compares all remaining elements to find the minimum?

- A) Insertion Sort
- B) Selection Sort
- C) Bubble Sort
- D) Heap Sort

 **Answer: B**

37. What type of sorting is Bubble Sort?

- A) Divide and conquer
- B) Exchanging sort
- C) Insertion-based sort
- D) Counting sort

 **Answer: B**

38. What happens if we do not use the swap condition in Bubble Sort?

- A) It runs faster
- B) It does not sort correctly
- C) It sorts using insertion
- D) Nothing changes

 **Answer: B**

39. Is Selection Sort a stable sort?

- A) Yes
- B) No
- C) Sometimes
- D) Only in Python

 **Answer: B**

40. In Selection Sort, how many comparisons are made in the first pass for n elements?

- A) n
- B) $n-1$
- C) $n-2$
- D) 1

 **Answer: B**


41. Which sorting algorithm requires the most number of swaps?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Selection Sort
- C) Insertion Sort
- D) None

 **Answer: A**

42. In worst case, how many comparisons does Insertion Sort make for n elements?

- A) n
- B) $n \log n$
- C) $n^2/2$
- D) $n(n-1)/2$

 **Answer: D**

43. In Python, what happens when you call `.sort()` on a list?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Merge Sort (Timsort)
- C) Selection Sort

D) Insertion Sort

 **Answer: B**

44. Which sort is least efficient on large datasets?

A) Selection Sort

B) Merge Sort

C) Bubble Sort

D) Quick Sort

 **Answer: C**

45. Which sorting algorithm checks all previous elements before inserting?

A) Selection Sort

B) Insertion Sort

C) Merge Sort

D) Bubble Sort

 **Answer: B**

46. What does `swap(arr, i, j)` function do in Bubble Sort?

A) Sorts the whole list

B) Replaces all `i` with `j`

C) Exchanges `arr[i]` with `arr[j]`

D) Copies `arr[i]` to `arr[j]`

 **Answer: C**

47. Which sort will finish early if the list becomes sorted before all passes?

A) Selection Sort

B) Insertion Sort

C) Bubble Sort

D) Both B and C

 **Answer: D**

48. What is the time complexity of selection sort in the average case?

- A) $O(n \log n)$
- B) $O(n^2)$
- C) $O(n)$
- D) $O(\log n)$

 **Answer: B**

49. Which sorting method uses the fewest comparisons in the best case?

- A) Bubble Sort
- B) Insertion Sort
- C) Selection Sort
- D) None

 **Answer: B**

50. What kind of algorithm is Insertion Sort?

- A) Exchange sort
- B) Divide and conquer
- C) Incremental sort
- D) Partition-based sort

 **Answer: C**