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https://github.com/yiy4/IntroToProg-Python

# Working with Dictionaries

#### Introduction

In creating an editable to-do list, a dictionary was used. Dictionaries work like lists and tuples with only a slight difference—the main difference being the use of {} operator and writing out the **keys** instead of numeric indexes.

## *I. Showing current data*

```
print("Current To Do List:")
print("-----")
i = 0
while(i < len(lstTable)):
    TempRow = lstTable[i]
    print(TempRow["Task"] + " - " + TempRow["Priority"])
    i += 1
print()</pre>
```

Unlike working with list or tuple, the dictionary had keys and their values as a single element. So, I had to create a variable called TempRow to separate each key and value.

#### II. Adding a new item

```
while(True):
    Task = input("Add a task: ")
    Priority = input("""
    Select priority level for this task:
    1-Urgent | 2-High | 3-Medium | 4-Low
    """")
    if(Priority.lower() == '1' or Priority.lower() == '2' or Priority.lower()
== '3' or Priority.lower() == '4'):
        dicRow = {"Task": Task, "Priority": Priority}
        lstTable.append(dicRow)
        break
else:
        print("Please select 1, 2, 3, or 4 for task prioritization!")
```

To add a new item, I had to create a nested while loop to troubleshoot for users inputting wrong information. Here, I had to use {} and write out the keys because I was using a dictionary.

#### *II. Removing an item*

```
print("This is the current to-do list:")
print("------")
i = 0
while (i < len(lstTable)):
    TempRow = lstTable[i]
    print(TempRow["Task"] + " - " + TempRow["Priority"])
    i += 1
print()
PrvData = input("What task would you like to remove?: ")
j = 0
while (j < len(lstTable)):</pre>
```

```
TempDicRow = lstTable[j]
if(TempDicRow["Task"].lower() == PrvData.lower()):
    lstTable.remove(TempDicRow)
    print("Successfully deleted!")
else:
    if (j == len(lstTable)-1):
        print()
        print("'" + PrvData + "'" + " not found!")
j += 1
```

To find task name in the dictionary, I asked the program the look for the user input using another nested while loop. When the index reached the last row of the list and could not find the user inputted task, I added an error message notifying the user. Also, to help users input the task name accurately, I showed the current to-do list using the print function. (Next time, if I were to create a similar program, I might give all tasks numerical IDs for simpler user input.)

### *III. Saving to a txt file*

```
intFile = open(objFile, "w")
i = 0
while (i < len(lstTable)):
    TempRow = lstTable[i]
    intFile.write(TempRow["Task"] + " - " + TempRow["Priority"] + "\n")
    i += 1
intFile.close()
print()
print("The changes you made were saved!")</pre>
```

Just as I used TempRow variable to show current data, it was used again to save each task and priority in the lstTable in dictionary form. Also, I used the key subscripts instead of numeric indexes.

#### IV. Exiting the program

```
strMenu = input("Are you sure you want to exit?[y/n]: ")
if(strMenu.lower() == "yes" or strMenu.lower() == "y"):
    break
else:
    continue
```

By asking one more time, I prevented users from exiting the program unintentionally.

#### Conclusion

This assignment was an interesting way to learn about dictionaries and how they work. The whole dictionary row was recognized as a single element while running the program, and breaking down into each key and value was a challenge.

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Running option 1 in PyCharm and Command Shell:
C:\Python\python.exe C:\_PythonClass\Assignment05\Assigment05.py
                                                                       :\Users\pjy10>Python.exe "C:\_PythonClass\Assignment05\Assigment05.py
    2) Add a new item
                                                                         Menu of Options
1) Show current data
2) Add a new item
3) Remove an existing item
4) Save data to file
5) Exit program
    5) Exit program
                                                                      Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 1
Current To Do List:
                                                                      Current To Do List:
Running option 2 in PyCharm and Command Shell:
      Menu of Options
      3) Remove an existing item
      4) Save data to file
      5) Exit program
  Add a task: Laundry
               1-Urgent | 2-High | 3-Medium | 4-Low
      1) Show current data
      2) Add a new item
      3) Remove an existing item
      5) Exit program
                                                                      Menu of Options

    Show current data
    Add a new item
    Remove an existing item

  Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] -
                                                                      4) Save data to file
                                                                      5) Exit program
                Select priority level for this task:
                                                                 Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 2
                                                                 Add a task: Water the plants
                                                                               Select priority level for this task:
1-Urgent | 2-High | 3-Medium | 4-Low
  Add a task:
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Running option 3 in PyCharm and Command Shell:
       Menu of Options
       1) Show current data
      2) Add a new item
      3) Remove an existing item
      4) Save data to file
      5) Exit program
 Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] -
 This is the current to-do list:
 What task would you like to remove?: Dishes
 Successfully deleted!
       1) Show current data
       2) Add a new item
       3) Remove an existing item
      4) Save data to file
      5) Exit program
 Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] -
                                                                          Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5]
 This is the current to-do list:
                                                                          This is the current to-do list:
                                                                          Dishes - 3
                                                                          Car Wash - 4
Water the plants - 1
 What task would you like to remove?: carwash
                                                                          What task would you like to remove?: Car Wash
Successfully deleted!
 'carwash' not found!
Running options 4 and 5 in PyCharm and Command Shell:
    Menu of Options
1) Show current data
                                                        Menu of Options
1) Show current data
2) Add a new item
3) Remove an existing item
4) Save data to file
5) Exit program
    4) Save data to file
     5) Exit program
                                                    Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 4
                                                    The changes you made were saved!
 The changes you made were saved!
                                                        Menu of Options
1) Show current data
2) Add a new item
3) Remove an existing item
4) Save data to file
5) Exit program
    1) Show current data
                                                    Which option would you like to perform? [1 to 5] - 5
                                                    Are you sure you want to exit?[y/n]: n
     5) Exit program
                                                        Menu of Options

1) Show current data
2) Add a new item
3) Remove an existing item
4) Save data to file
5) Exit program
                                                     hich option would you like to perform? [1 to 5]
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