



# WEEK #9

# ASSIGNMENT

2% Individual Assignment

Database with a View

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Database Management – Fall 2019

### Assignment Type:

- Individual – Prepare and submit your results independently

### Date Due:

- Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> by the end of the day

### Instructions:

- Please submit your assignment electronically through eConestoga.
- Assignments should be submitted as Microsoft Word files using the course coversheet format. You **MUST** include your query as text in the Word document as well as a **FULL screenshot** of your SSMS screen (screen capture the entire application screen including the title bar through the bottom of the window). Multiple screenshots may be required.
- If you are using external sources (images, text, etc.) you must reference them as part of your assignment and not copy them as-is.
- Best practice is to research your answers and then write the response to the question in your own words.
- Please include the question number with your responses.

### Late Assignment Penalty:

Days Late	Penalty %
1	5
2	10
3	20
4	40
5	60
6	80
7	100

## Assignment Questions

Question #	Question	Score
1	<p>Suppose that you have a large number of individual updates (i.e. that involve multiple SQL statements) that you need to make to a database in a short period of time. Which of the three transactions modes (auto-commit, explicit and implicit) would be best to use and why?</p> <p>You could use either explicit or implicit as both don't write the data to the database until the COMMIT is issued. Auto-commit will commit after each update which will take significantly more time to complete.</p>	2
2	<p>Write a series of SQL statements that demonstrate the concept of a "dirty read". Include comments in your SQL that describe why it demonstrates it.</p> <p>-- A dirty read involves retrieving data from the database that hasn't yet been -- committed so this would demonstrate what's required:</p> <p>BEGIN TRANSACTION UPDATE dbo.Person SET lastName = 'Whatever' WHERE number = '1252774'</p> <p>SELECT * from dbo.Person WHERE number = '1252774'</p>	2
3	<p>Using the SIS database, create a view named vStudentCourseList that produces the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Number</li> <li>• Student's Full Name</li> <li>• Course Name</li> <li>• Course Credits</li> </ul> <p><i>Hint: You will need to include 5 tables in your view including dbo.Student, dbo.CourseStudent, dbo.CourseOffering, dbo.Course and dbo.Person to get the information required here</i></p> <p>CREATE VIEW dbo.vStudentCourseList AS SELECT p.number AS studentNumber, p.lastName + ', ' + p.firstName AS fullName, c.name, c.credits FROM dbo.Student AS s INNER JOIN dbo.CourseStudent AS cs ON cs.studentNumber = s.number INNER JOIN dbo.CourseOffering AS co ON co.id = cs.CourseOfferingId INNER JOIN dbo.Course AS c ON c.number = co.courseNumber INNER JOIN dbo.Person AS p ON p.number = s.number</p>	4

4	<p>Alter the vStudentCourseList created above to add the student's finalMark to the view and only include non-zero grades in the view.</p> <pre> ALTER VIEW dbo.vStudentCourseList AS SELECT p.number AS studentNumber,        p.lastName + ', ' + p.firstName AS fullName,        c.name,        c.credits,        cs.finalMark FROM   dbo.Student AS s INNER JOIN dbo.CourseStudent AS cs ON cs.studentNumber = s.number INNER JOIN dbo.CourseOffering AS co ON co.id = cs.CourseOfferingId INNER JOIN dbo.Course AS c ON c.number = co.courseNumber INNER JOIN dbo.Person AS p ON p.number = s.number WHERE  cs.finalMark &gt; 0 </pre>	2
5	<p>Using the view created above, write a query to retrieve the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Number</li> <li>• Student's Full Name</li> <li>• Student's Average of all Courses</li> </ul> <p>Sort the information in the single query both by their average in descending order and then by student number in ascending order</p> <pre> SELECT studentNumber,        fullName,        AVG( finalMark ) AS finalAverage FROM   dbo.vStudentCourseList GROUP BY studentNumber, fullName ORDER BY finalAverage DESC, studentNumber ASC </pre> <p>-- Returns 90 rows</p>	2

6	<p>Using a Common Table Expression and <u>without</u> using any views, write a query to retrieve the exact same information as Question #5 above with the same columns and the same sort order. <i>Hint: Basically convert your view into a CTE and write a query around it.</i></p> <pre> WITH CTE_studentCourseList ( studentNumber, fullName, finalMark ) AS ( SELECT p.number AS studentNumber,       p.lastName + ' , ' + p.firstName AS fullName,       cs.finalMark   FROM dbo.Student AS s   INNER JOIN dbo.CourseStudent AS cs ON cs.studentNumber = s.number   -- INNER JOIN dbo.CourseOffering AS co ON co.id = cs.CourseOfferingId   -- INNER JOIN dbo.Course AS c ON c.number = co.courseNumber   INNER JOIN dbo.Person AS p ON p.number = s.number   WHERE cs.finalMark &gt; 0 ) SELECT studentNumber, fullName, AVG( finalMark ) AS avgFinalMark   FROM CTE_studentCourseList  GROUP BY studentNumber, fullName  ORDER BY avgFinalMark DESC, studentNumber ASC  -- Returns 90 rows </pre>	3
	Total	15