

### ### Functions In Oracle ====> =====

\* A Function is a named block of code designed to achieve a particular task and just like a programming language , the Oracle database too has a huge collection of predefined functions.

\* These functions are further sub-divided into following categories:

- # Date Functions
- # String Functions
- # Numeric Functions
- # Conversion Functions
- # Group Functions
- # Miscellaneous Functions

### # The Dual Table ==> =====

\* The DUAL table is a special table that belongs to the user SYS but it is accessible to all users.

\* It has just one column named DUMMY with the data type VARCHAR2 and contains one row with a value X.

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SQL> desc dual;
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Name	Null?	Type
DUMMY		VARCHAR2(1)

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SQL> select * from dual;
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