TOP 70 SQL QUESTION

- All patterns
- Previous year questions
- All topic covered









1Q.

How do you switch to the imdb database?

ANSWER:

USE imdb;









2Q.

How do you list all tables in the current database?

ANSWER:

SHOW tables;









3Q.

How do you display the structure of the movies table?

ANSWER:

DESCRIBE movies;









4Q.

How do you select all columns from the movies table?

ANSWER:

SELECT * FROM movies;









5Q.

How do you select the name and year columns from the movies table?

ANSWER:

SELECT name, year FROM movies;









6Q.

How do you select the rank score and name columns from the movies table?

ANSWER:

SELECT rankscore, name FROM movies;









Keyword:

LIMIT

Restricts the number of rows returned in the result set.

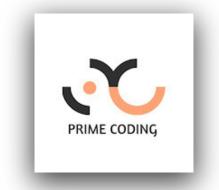
OFFSET

Specifies the number of rows to skip before starting to return rows.









7Q.

How do you get the first 20 rows of name and rankscore from movies?

ANSWER:

SELECT name, rankscore

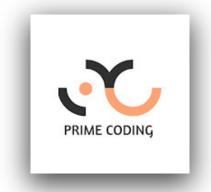
FROM movies

LIMIT 20;









8Q.

Why to use LIMIT and OFFSET?

ANSWER:

LIMIT:

Efficient Resource Usage

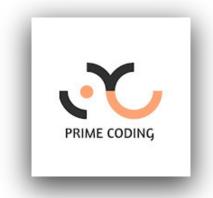
OFFSET:

Enables Pagination











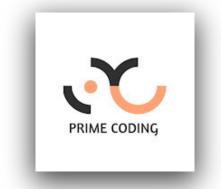


9Q.

How do you get 20 rows of name and rankscore starting from the 41st row in movies?

ANSWER:

SELECT name, rankscore FROM movies
LIMIT 20
OFFSET 40;





Keyword:

ORDER BY

The ORDER BY clause in SQL is used to sort the result set by one or more columns. By default, it sorts in ascending order (ASC), but you can specify descending order (DESC) if needed.













10Q.

How do you list the top 10 most recent movies by year, showing name, rankscore, and year?

ANSWER

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SELECT name, rankscore, year

FROM movies

ORDER BY year DESC

LIMIT 10;









11Q.

How do you list the top 10 oldest movies by year, showing name, rankscore, and year?

ANSWER

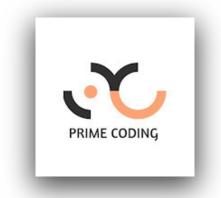
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SELECT name, rankscore, year

FROM movies

ORDER BY year

LIMIT 10;





Keyword:

DISTINCT

The DISTINCT keyword in SQL is used to return only unique (distinct) values. It eliminates duplicate rows from the result set.













12Q.

How do you list all unique genres from the movies_genres table?

ANSWER:

SELECT DISTINCT genre

FROM movies_genres;







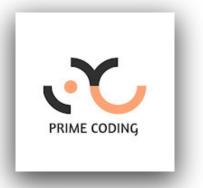


13Q.

How do you list all unique combinations of first_name and last_name from the directors table?

ANSWER:

SELECT DISTINCT first_name,last_name FROM directors;





Keyword:

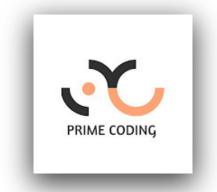
WHERE

The WHERE clause in SQL is used to filter rows based on a specified condition. It enables you to extract only the rows that meet the specified criteria.













14Q.

How do you list all movies with a rankscore greater than 9, showing name, year, and rankscore?

ANSWER:

SELECT name, year, rankscore FROM movies
WHERE rankscore > 9;









15Q.

How do you list the top 20 movies with a rankscore greater than 9, sorted in descending order of rankscore?

ANSWER: SELECT name, year, rankscore

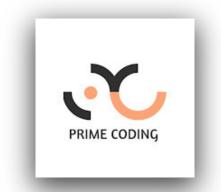
FROM movies

WHERE rankscore > 9

ORDER BY rankscore DESC

LIMIT 20;









16Q.

How do you list all records from movies_genres where the genre is 'Comedy'?

ANSWER:

SELECT * FROM movies_genres WHERE genre = 'Comedy';









17Q.

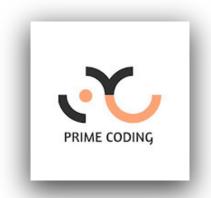
How do you list all records from movies_genres where the genre is not 'Horror'?

ANSWER:

SELECT *

FROM movies_genres
WHERE genre <> 'Horror';









18Q.

What is the result of querying movies where rankscore equals NULL?

ANSWER:

SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies

WHERE rankscore = NULL;









19Q.

How do you list the first 20 movies where the rankscore is NULL?

ANSWER: SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies

WHERE rankscore IS NULL

LIMIT 20;









20Q.

How do you list the first 20 movies where the rankscore is not NULL?

ANSWER: SELECT name, year, rankscore FROM movies
WHERE rankscore IS NOT NULL LIMIT 20;









21Q.

How do you list the first 20 movies where the rankscore is not NULL?

ANSWER: SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies

WHERE rankscore IS NOT NULL

LIMIT 20;









22Q.

How do you list the first 20 movies where the rankscore is not NULL?

ANSWER SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies
WHERE rankscore IS NOT NULL
LIMIT 20;





Keyword:

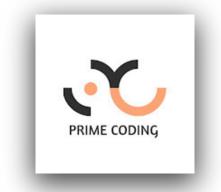
Logical Operators

In SQL, logical operators are used to combine multiple conditions in a WHERE clause. These operators include AND, OR, NOT, BETWEEN, IN, LIKE, etc.













23Q.

How do you list movies with a rankscore greater than 9 and released after the year 2000?

ANSWER: SELECT name, year, rankscore FROM movies

WHERE rankscore > 9 AND year > 2000;









24Q.

How do you list the first 20 movies released after the year 2000?

ANSWER SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies

WHERE NOT year <= 2000 LIMIT 20;









25Q.

How do you list movies with a rankscore greater than 9 or released after the year 2007?

ANSWER SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies

WHERE rankscore > 9 OR year > 2007;









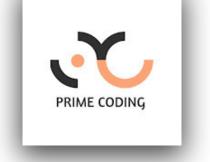
26Q.

How do you list movies released between 1999 and 2000, inclusive?

ANSWER SELECT name, year, rankscore

FROM movies

WHERE year BETWEEN 1999 AND 2000;









27Q.

1. How do you list records where the genre is either 'Comedy' or 'Horror'?

ANSWER: SELECT director_id, genre
FROM directors_genres
WHERE genre IN ('Comedy', 'Horror');









28Q.

How do you list movies with names starting with 'Tis'?

ANSWER: SELECT name, year, rankscore FROM movies
WHERE name LIKE 'Tis%';









29Q.

How do you list actors whose first names end with 'es'?

ANSWER: SELECT first_name, last_name FROM actors
WHERE first_name LIKE '%es';









30Q.

How do you list actors whose first names contain 'es'?

ANSWER:SELECT first_name, last_name FROM actors
WHERE first_name LIKE '%es%';









31Q.

How do you list actors whose first names match 'Agn_s', where '_' is exactly one character?

ANSWER: SELECT first_name, last_name FROM actors
WHERE first_name LIKE 'Agn_s';









32Q.

How do you list actors whose first names start with 'L' but do not start with 'Li'?

ANSWER: SELECT first_name, last_name

FROM actors

WHERE first_name LIKE 'L%' AND first_name

NOT LIKE 'Li%';



Keyword:

Aggregate Functions:

Aggregate functions in SQL compute a single value from a set of rows. Common aggregate functions include COUNT, MIN, MAX, SUM, and AVG.













33Q.

How do you find the earliest year in the movies table?

ANSWER: SELECT MIN(year)
FROM movies;









34Q.

How do you find the most recent year in the movies table?

ANSWER:

SELECT MAX(year)
FROM movies;









35Q.

How do you count the total number of rows in the movies table?

ANSWER:

SELECT COUNT(*)
FROM movies;









36Q.

How do you count the number of movies released after the year 2000?

ANSWER:

SELECT COUNT(*)

FROM movies

WHERE year > 2000;









37Q.

How do you count the number of non-NULL year values in the movies table?

ANSWER:

SELECT COUNT(year)
FROM movies;





Keyword:

GROUP BY

The GROUP BY clause in SQL is used to arrange identical data into groups. This clause is often used with aggregate functions (COUNT, MIN, MAX, SUM, AVG) to perform operations on each group of data.













38Q.

How do you find the number of movies released each year?

ANSWER:

SELECT year, COUNT(year)
FROM movies
GROUP BY year;









39Q.

How do you find the number of movies released each year, ordered by year?

ANSWER

SELECT year, COUNT(year)

FROM movies

GROUP BY year

ORDER BY year;









40Q.

How do you find the number of movies released each year, ordered by year?

ANSWER:

SELECT year, COUNT(year) AS year_count

FROM movies

GROUP BY year

ORDER BY year_count;





Keyword:

HAVING

The HAVING clause in SQL is used to specify conditions on groups created by the GROUP BY clause. It is similar to the WHERE clause, but HAVING is used to filter groups rather than individual rows. It is typically used with aggregate functions.













41Q.

ow do you find years with more than 1000 movies?

ANSWER:

SELECT year, COUNT(year) year_count

FROM movies

GROUP BY year

HAVING year_count > 1000;









42Q.

How do you list movies released after the year 2000 without using GROUP BY?

ANSWER:

SELECT name, year FROM movies
HAVING year > 2000;









43Q.

How do you find years with more than 20 movies that have a rankscore greater than 9?

ANSWER SELECT year, COUNT(year) year_count

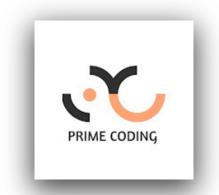
FROM movies

WHERE rankscore > 9

GROUP BY year

HAVING year_count > 20;





Additional Points

Order of Execution

- 1.GROUP BY: Groups rows that have the same values in specified columns.
- 2.Aggregate Function: Calculates aggregate values like COUNT, SUM, AVG, etc., on the grouped data.
- 3.HAVING: Filters the groups based on the specified condition.







Additional Points

HAVING vs. WHERE:

- 1.WHERE is applied to individual rows before grouping.
- 2.HAVING is applied to groups after the aggregation.









Keywords

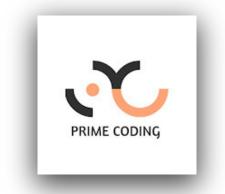
JOIN

The JOIN clause in SQL is used to combine rows from two or more tables based on a related column between them. There are several types of joins including INNER JOIN, LEFT JOIN, RIGHT JOIN, and FULL OUTER JOIN.













44Q.

How do you list the names and genres of movies, limiting the result to 20 rows?

ANSWER:

SELECT m.name, g.genre FROM movies m JOIN movies_genres g

ON m.id = g.movie_id

LIMIT 20;









45Q.

What does the query return when joining two tables T1 and T2 using their common columns?

ANSWER:

SELECT*
FROM T1 JOIN T2;









46Q.

How do you join two tables T1 and T2 on column C1 without specifying the ON keyword?

ANSWER:

SELECT*

FROM T1 JOIN T2 USING (C1);









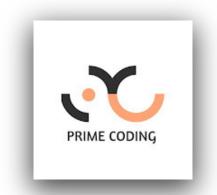
47Q.

How do you list the names and genres of movies, including movies with no genre, limiting the result to 20 rows?

ANSWER:

SELECT m.name, g.genre
FROM movies m LEFT JOIN
movies_genres g ON m.id = g.movie_id
LIMIT 20;









48Q.

How do you list the first and last names of actors who acted in the movie 'Officer 444'?

ANSWER: SELECT a.first_name, a.last_name

FROM actors a JOIN roles r ON

a.id = r.actor_id JOIN movies m

ON m.id = r.movie_id AND

m.name = 'Officer 444';





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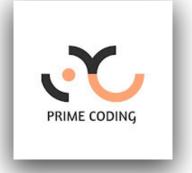
Sub-Queries

A sub-query, also known as a nested query or inner query, is a query within another SQL query. The sub-query is executed first, and its result is used by the outer query. Sub-queries can be used with various operators like IN, NOT IN, EXISTS, NOT EXISTS, ANY, ALL, and comparison operators.













49Q.

How do you list all actors in the movie "Schindler's List"?

ANSWER:

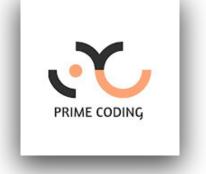
SELECT first_name, last_name

FROM actors

WHERE id IN (SELECT actor_id FROM roles

WHERE movie_id IN (SELECT id FROM movies

WHERE name = 'Schindler''s List'));









50Q.

How do you list all actors in the movie "Schindler's List"?

ANSWER:

SELECT*

FROM movies

WHERE rankscore >= ALL (SELECT

MAX(rankscore) FROM movies);





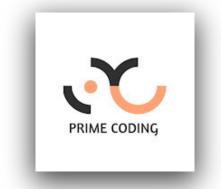
Additional Points

- 1.IN: Checks if a value matches any value in a sub-query result.
- 2.NOT IN: Checks if a value does not match any value in a sub-query result.
- 3.EXISTS: Returns true if the sub-query returns one or more records.









Additional Points

- 4. NOT EXISTS: Returns true if the sub-query returns no records.
- 5. ANY: Returns true if any value in the sub-query meets the condition.
- 6. ALL: Returns true if all values in the sub-query meet the condition.









Keywords

Data Manipulation Language (DML):

DML is used to retrieve, insert, update, and delete data in a database. The primary DML commands are SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE.













51Q.

How do you insert a new movie record with the ID 412321, name "Thor", year 2011, and rankscore 7?

ANSWER:

INSERT INTO movies

(id, name, year, rankscore)

VALUES (412321, 'Thor', 2011, 7);









52Q.

How do you insert multiple movie records in a single query?

ANSWER:

INSERT INTO movies(id, name, year, rankscore)
VALUES (412321, 'Thor', 2011, 7),
(412322, 'Iron Man', 2008, 7.9),
(412323, 'Iron Man 2', 2010, 7);









52Q.

How do you copy rows from one table to another using a sub-query?

ANSWER:

INSERT INTO target_table (col1, col2)
SELECT col1, col2 FROM source_table WHERE condition;









53Q.

How do you update the rankscore of the movie with ID 412321 to 9?

ANSWER:

UPDATE movies **SET** rankscore = 9 WHERE id = 412321;







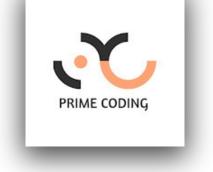


54Q.

How do you update the rankscore of all movies released before 2010 to 8?

ANSWER:

UPDATE movies SET rankscore = 8
WHERE year < 2010;</pre>









55Q.

How do you delete the movie record with ID 412321?

ANSWER:

DELETE FROM movies

WHERE id = 412321;









56Q.

How do you remove all rows from the movies table?

ANSWER:

TRUNCATE TABLE movies;





Keywords

Data Definition Language (DDL):

DDL is used to define and manage database schema objects like tables, indexes, and constraints. Common DDL commands include CREATE, ALTER, DROP, and TRUNCATE.













57Q.

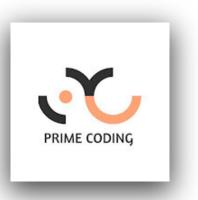
How do you create a new table named language with columns (integer primary key) and lang (non-nullable variable character)?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE language (id INT PRIMARY KEY, lang VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL);







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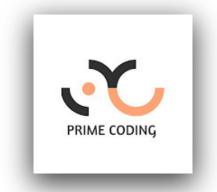
Constraints:

Constraints are rules applied to table columns to enforce data integrity.









Keywords

- NOT NULL: Ensures that a column cannot have a NULL value.
- UNIQUE: Ensures that all values in a column are different.
- PRIMARY KEY: A combination of NOT NULL and UNIQUE.
 Uniquely identifies each row in a table.
- FOREIGN KEY: Uniquely identifies a row/record in another table.







Keywords

- CHECK: Ensures that all values in a column satisfy a specific condition.
- DEFAULT: Sets a default value for a column when no value is specified.
- INDEX: Used to create and retrieve data from the database very quickly.











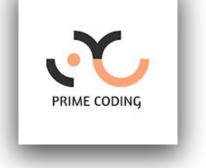


58Q.

How do you ensure that the name column cannot have NUL values?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE users (id INT, name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL);









59Q.

How do you ensure that all values in the email column are different?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE users (id INT, email VARCHAR(100) UNIQUE);







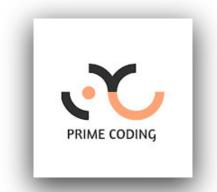
60Q.

How do you uniquely identify each row in the users table?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE users (id INT PRIMARY KEY, name VARCHAR(50));









61Q.

How do you enforce that the user_id in the orders table uniquely identifies a record in the users table?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE orders

(order_id INT, user_id INT,

FOREIGN KEY (user_id) REFERENCES users(id));









62Q.

How do you ensure that the price column in the products table is greater than 0?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE products

(id INT, price DECIMAL(10, 2), CHECK (price > 0));









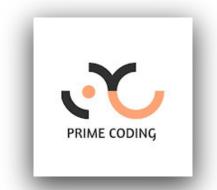
63Q.

How do you set a default value for the created_at column to the current timestamp?

ANSWER:

CREATE TABLE customers
(id INT, created_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT
CURRENT_TIMESTAMP);









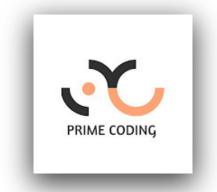
64Q.

How do you create an index on the name column in the users table to speed up queries?

ANSWER:

CREATE INDEX idx_user_name ON users(name);









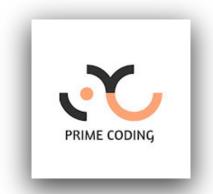
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Keywords

ALTER

The ALTER command is used to add, modify, or drop columns in an existing table.











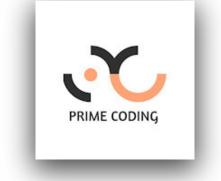


66Q.

How do you add a new column named country of type VARCHAR(50) to the language table?

ANSWER:

ALTER TABLE language ADD country VARCHAR(50);









67Q.

How do you change the country column in the language table to type VARCHAR(60)?

ANSWER:

ALTER TABLE language MODIFY country VARCHAR(60);







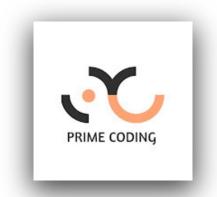
68Q.

How do you remove the country column from the language table?

ANSWER:

ALTER TABLE language DROP country;





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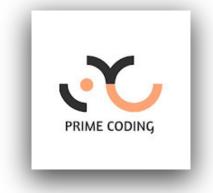
DROP

Removes both the table and all of the data permanently.













69Q.

How do you permanently remove a table named Tablename and all its data?

ANSWER:

DROP TABLE Tablename;









70Q.

How do you safely remove a table named TableName only if it exists?

ANSWER:

DROP TABLE TableName IF EXISTS;









71Q.

How do you remove all rows from a table named TableName?

ANSWER:

TRUNCATE TABLE TableName;



