

Creating Programmatic SQL Database Objects

Lab 3 - Creating User Defined Functions

Overview

The existing Marketing application includes some functions. Your manager has requested your assistance in creating a new function for formatting phone numbers. She also needs you to modify an existing function to improve its usability.

Before starting this lab, you should view **Module 3 – Creating User Defined Functions** in the course *Creating Programmatic SQL Database Objects*. Then, if you have not already done so, follow the instructions in the **Getting Started** document for this course to set up the lab environment.

If you find some of the challenges difficult, don't worry – you can find suggested solutions for all of the challenges in the **Lab Solution** folder for this module.

What You'll Need

To complete the labs, you will need the following:

- An Azure SQL Database instance with the AdventureWorksLT sample database. Review the Getting Started document for information about how to provision this.
- The lab files for this course

Challenge 1: Format Phone Numbers

Your manager has noticed that different users tend to format phone numbers that are entered into the database in different ways. She has asked you to create a function that will be used to format the phone numbers. You need to design, implement, and test the function.

Review the Design Requirements

Review the following design requirements for your stored procedure:

Function Name: FormatPhoneNumber (created in the dbo schema)

Input Parameter: PhoneNumberToFormat nvarchar(16)

Return Value: nvarchar(16)

Rules to apply in formatting:

- Any phone number beginning with the international dialing code (ie: a + sign), should be left unformatted.
- Phone numbers that contain 10 digits should be formatted as: (XXX) XXX-XXXX
- Phone numbers that contain 8 digits should be formatted as: XXXX-XXXX
- Phone numbers that contain 7 digits should be formatted as: XXX-XXXX
- Phone numbers that contain 6 digits should be formatted as: XXX-XXX
- All other characters should be stripped out
- Phone numbers that have different numbers of digits should have only the digits returned ie: (9234) 2345-2342 should be returned as 923423452342.

Design and Create the Function

Design and create the function for reformatting phone numbers.

Test the Function

Execute the FormatPhoneNumber function to ensure that the function correctly formats the phone number.