
1. What is a primary key in a table?

A **primary key** is a unique identifier for each row in a table. No two rows can have the same primary key value, and it cannot be null.

2. Name the two types of table relationships in Power BI.

- **One-to-Many (1:*)**
 - **Many-to-Many (:)**
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3. How do you create a relationship between two tables in Power BI?

Go to **Model view**, drag a field (like `CustomerID`) from one table to the matching field in another table, or use **Manage Relationships** to define it manually.

4. What is a "star schema"?

A **star schema** is a data model design where a central **fact table** connects to multiple **dimension tables**, forming a star-like structure. Each dimension is only joined to the fact table.

5. Which table is typically the fact table in a sales dataset?

The **Sales** table, as it contains transactional data (quantities, totals, etc.).

6. Link Sales.csv to Customers.csv using CustomerID (one-to-many).

Ensure `CustomerID` is a **primary key** in `Customers.csv` and a **foreign key** in `Sales.csv`, then create a **one-to-many** relationship in Power BI.

7. Why is ProductID in Sales.csv a foreign key?

Because it **references** the primary key `ProductID` in the **Products** table to identify which product was sold.

8. Fix a relationship error where ProductID has mismatched data types.

Go to **Power Query Editor**, select both columns, and convert them to the **same data type** (e.g., both to *Whole Number* or *Text*).

9. Explain why a star schema improves performance.

It simplifies queries and enhances **read performance** because relationships are straightforward and **indexes** work more efficiently.

10. Add a new column TotalSales in Sales (Quantity * Price from Products).

Use DAX:

```
TotalSales = Sales[Quantity] * RELATED(Products[Price])
```

11. Optimize a model with circular relationships—how would you resolve it?

Break the cycle by:

- Removing or disabling one relationship
 - Using **DAX measures** or **TREATAS()** to connect indirectly
 - Avoiding bi-directional filters unless truly needed
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12. Create a role-playing dimension for OrderDate and ShipDate.

Duplicate the Date table (e.g., Date_Order, Date_Ship), then relate each to Sales[OrderDate] and Sales[ShipDate] separately. Use **USERELATIONSHIP** in measures to switch.

13. Handle a many-to-many relationship between Customers and Products.

Create a **bridge table** (e.g., CustomerProduct) listing combinations, and use it to connect both original tables via **one-to-many** relationships.

14. Use bidirectional filtering sparingly—when is it appropriate?

Only when **both tables need to filter each other**, such as in **complex reporting scenarios** (e.g., financials) where filters must flow in both directions.

15. Write DAX to enforce referential integrity if a CustomerID is deleted.

Create a calculated column or measure to detect orphan records:

```
CustomerExists = IF(COUNTROWS(RELATIONSTABLE(Customers)) = 0, "Missing", "Valid")
```
