

SQL - Basics

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This document uses the data set **world** from the sqlzoo.net, to practice various **SQL** basic queries

Let's first have a glimpse of the dataset world

```
##           name continent   area population      gdp      capital
## 1 Afghanistan      Asia  652230   25500100  20364000000      Kabul
## 2      Albania    Europe   28748    2821977  12044000000      Tirana
## 3      Algeria    Africa 2381741   38700000  207021000000      Algiers
## 4      Andorra    Europe    468        76098   3222000000 Andorra la Vella
## 5      Angola     Africa 1246700   19183590 116308000000      Luanda
##      tld
## 1 .af
## 2 .al
## 3 .dz
## 4 .ad
## 5 .ao
```

The dataset have below variables/columns

```
## [1] "name"      "continent" "area"      "population" "gdp"
## [6] "capital"   "tld"
```

1. The example uses a **WHERE** clause to show the population of 'France'. Note that strings (pieces of text that are data) should be in 'single quotes';

```
SELECT population FROM world WHERE name = 'Germany'
```

```
##    population
## 1    80716000
```

2. Checking a list The word **IN** allows us to check if an item is in a list. Show the name and the population for 'Ireland', 'Iceland' and 'Denmark'.

```
SELECT name, population FROM world
WHERE name IN ('Ireland', 'Iceland', 'Denmark');
```

```
##      name population
## 1 Denmark    5634437
## 2 Iceland    326340
## 3 Ireland    4593100
```

3. Which countries are not too small and not too big? **BETWEEN** allows range checking (range specified is inclusive of boundary values). The example below shows countries with an area of 250,000300,000 sq. km. Modify it to show the country and the area for countries with an area between 200,000 and 250,000.

```
SELECT name, area FROM world
WHERE area BETWEEN 200000 AND 250000
```

```
##      name    area
## 1  Algeria 2381741
## 2  Belarus 207600
## 3   Belize 22966
## 4 Djibouti 23200
## 5 El Salvador 21041
## 6   Ghana 238533
## 7   Guinea 245857
## 8   Guyana 214969
## 9   Israel 20770
## 10   Laos 236800
## 11 Mauritius 2040
## 12   Nauru 21
## 13  Romania 238391
## 14 Saudi Arabia 2149690
## 15  Slovenia 20273
## 16   Uganda 241550
## 17 United Kingdom 242900
```