Lesson 3 - Data Transformation with Power Query (Part 1)

1. What is the purpose of the 'Applied Steps' pane in Power Query?

It displays a list of all transformation steps applied to the data, allowing users to track, edit, or remove any step.

2. How do you remove duplicate rows in Power Query?

Select the column(s) to check for duplicates, then click 'Remove Duplicates' under the 'Home' tab.

3. What does the 'Filter' icon do in Power Query?

It allows users to include or exclude specific values in a column by applying filters.

4. How would you rename a column from 'CustID' to 'CustomerID'?

Right-click on the column header and select 'Rename', then type the new name.

5. What happens if you click 'Close & Apply' in Power Query?

All applied transformations are saved and the transformed data is loaded into the Power BI data model.

10. How would you handle null values in the Price column?

Use the 'Replace Values' option or 'Fill Down/Up', or write a conditional transformation to fill or replace nulls.

13. Fix inconsistent date formats (e.g., 01/10/2023 vs. 2023-01-10) in OrderDate.

Use 'Using Locale' when changing data type to Date, or use 'Split' and 'Rebuild' technique to standardize formats.

14. Create a conditional column: Label orders as 'High Value' if Price > 100.

Use the 'Add Column' > 'Conditional Column' option and set the rule: if Price > 100 then 'High Value' else 'Normal'.

15. Optimize the query to reduce refresh time (e.g., remove unused columns early).

Remove unnecessary columns at the beginning of the transformation steps to reduce data volume and speed up refresh.