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**Assignment 5.2: MySQL Functions**

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NOW():

* The NOW() function returns the current date and time in YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS format. You can use this when you need the exact current timestamp, for instance, when logging actions in a system or recording the exact time an event occurs.

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CONCAT()

* The CONCAT() function combines two or more strings into one string. This is useful when you need to combine first and last names, or concatenate any pieces of text, such as a full address or description.

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LENGTH()

* The LENGTH() function returns the number of characters in a string. This is useful for checking the length of strings, such as validating passwords, checking the length of user input, or counting characters in a field.

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