Exercise 4: SQL Fundamentals (Using CASE Statements)

BrightLight Data Analytics

Objective:

Practice the use of SQL CASE statements to classify data and add context to query results.

Question 1

Table 1: students

| student_id | student_name | test_score |
|------------|--------------|------------|
| 1 | Alice | 85 |
| 2 | Bob | 45 |
| 3 | Charlie | 73 |
| 4 | David | 66 |
| 5 | Eva | 92 |
| 6 | Frank | 58 |
| 7 | Grace | 77 |
| 8 | Henry | 33 |
| 9 | lvy | 100 |
| 10 | Jack | 0 |

Write SQL queries using a CASE statement to perform the following tasks:

1. Classify Students by Performance:

Write a SQL query that classifies students based on their test_score according to the following conditions:

• 90-100: "Excellent"

• **75-89:** "Good"

• **50-74:** "Average"

• Below 50: "Poor"

Your result should display student_name, test_score, and a new column called performance.

Question 2

Table 1: sales

| sale_id | sale_date | customer_id | product_id | quantity | total_amount |
|---------|------------|-------------|------------|----------|--------------|
| 1 | 2025-01-05 | 101 | 501 | 2 | 95.00 |
| 2 | 2025-01-10 | 102 | 502 | 15 | 1200.00 |
| 3 | 2025-01-11 | 103 | 503 | 1 | 350.00 |
| 4 | 2025-01-15 | 101 | 504 | 3 | 480.00 |

Questions:

- 1. Add a sales_category column ("Low", "Medium", "High") based on total_amount.
- 2. Label each sale as "Bulk Sale" or "Regular Sale" based on quantity.
- 3. Count how many sales are in each sales_category.
- 4. Classify each customer_id as "Frequent Buyer" or "Occasional Buyer" based on the number of sales.

Question 3

Table 3: employees

| employee_id | first_name | last_name | department | salary | hire_date |
|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|----------|------------|
| 201 | Thando | Mokoena | HR | 28000.00 | 2024-11-01 |
| 202 | Zanele | Khumalo | Finance | 55000.00 | 2022-03-15 |
| 203 | Sipho | Dlamini | IT | 72000.00 | 2020-07-10 |
| 204 | Lindiwe | Sithole | HR | 35000.00 | 2025-02-20 |

Questions:

- 5. Add a salary_bracket column based on salary.
- 6. Label each employee as "New Hire" or "Experienced" using hire_date.
- 7. Count employees in each salary_bracket.
- 8. Calculate the average salary per department and classify it ("Low", "Average", "High").

Question 4

Table 4: products

| product_id | product_name | category | price | stock_quantity |
|------------|--------------|-------------|---------|----------------|
| 301 | Office Chair | Furniture | 899.99 | 5 |
| 302 | Pen Pack | Stationery | 45.00 | 100 |
| 303 | Monitor 24" | Electronics | 1850.00 | 0 |
| 304 | Stapler | Stationery | 55.00 | 10 |

Questions:

- 9. Add a stock_status column based on stock_quantity.
- 10. Add a price_category column based on price.
- 11. Count products in each price_category.
- 12. Add a reorder_status column based on stock_quantity.

Question 5

Table 5: students

| student_id | full_name | course | marks | enrollment_year |
|------------|-------------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|
| 401 | Lerato Nkosi | Math | 78 | 2023 |
| 402 | Daniel Mthembu | Physics | 62 | 2022 |
| 403 | Nthabiseng Molefe | Chemistry | 49 | 2024 |
| 404 | John Mashaba | Biology | 53 | 2023 |

Questions:

- 13. Add a grade column based on marks.
- 14. Add a student_level column based on enrollment_year.
- 15. Count how many students are in each grade.
- 16. Add a scholarship_eligibility column based on marks.

Question 6

Table 6: website_traffic

| visit_id | user_id | visit_date | page_visited | session_duration |
|----------|---------|------------|--------------|------------------|
| 601 | 901 | 2025-03-18 | /home | 45 |
| 602 | 902 | 2025-03-18 | /products | 200 |
| 603 | 901 | 2025-03-19 | /about | 360 |
| 604 | 903 | 2025-03-20 | /contact | 90 |

Questions:

- 17. Add a session_type column based on session_duration.
- 18. Label users as "Frequent Visitor" or "Occasional Visitor" based on total visit count.
- 19. Add a day_type column to show if the visit was on a "Weekday" or "Weekend".
- 20. Count how many visits fall into each session_type.