1. What range of years does the provided database cover? 145 years (1871-2016)
2. Find the name and height of the shortest player in the database. How many games did he play in? What is the name of the team for which he played? Eddie Gaedel at 3’7” who played in one game in 1951. He was the lead off hitter, drew a walk on 4 pitches and was replaced for a pinch runner, thus ending his career with a perfect %1.000 OBP. His jersey number was “1/2”
3. Find all players in the database who played at Vanderbilt University. Create a list showing each player’s first and last names as well as the total salary they earned in the major leagues. Sort this list in descending order by the total salary earned. Which Vanderbilt player earned the most money in the majors? David Price has earned the most money with 245,553,888 in salary to-date (he still is an active player in 2020 although he DNP during the shortened 2020 season due to CoVid19).
4. Using the fielding table, group players into three groups based on their position: label players with position OF as "Outfield", those with position "SS", "1B", "2B", and "3B" as "Infield", and those with position "P" or "C" as "Battery". Determine the number of putouts made by each of these three groups in 2016. OUTFIELD -29560, INFIELD -58934, BATTERY - 41424
5. Find the average number of strikeouts per game by decade since 1920. Round the numbers you report to 2 decimal places. Do the same for home runs per game. Do you see any trends? The SO to HR ratio is much hire pre-1920. This is considered the dead-ball era of baseball. Fields were large, the balls be used where low quality and overuse (doctoring of the ball was very common), homeruns were not emphasized, etc. Rule changes plus Babe Ruth’s emergence ushered in a new era of baseball where the home run was more prevalent. As the years of continues, the ratio has not fluctuated that much, but there has been a heavy increase in home runs as well as strikeouts, with many factors and focuses on the evolution of the game of baseball behind this.
6. Find the player who had the most success stealing bases in 2016, where **success** is measured as the percentage of stolen base attempts which are successful. (A stolen base attempt results either in a stolen base or being caught stealing.) Consider only players who attempted *at least* 20 stolen bases. Chris Owens had over a 91% success rate with 21 stolen bases on 23 attempts
7. From 1970 – 2016, what is the largest number of wins for a team that did not win the world series? What is the smallest number of wins for a team that did win the world series? Doing this will probably result in an unusually small number of wins for a world series champion – determine why this is the case. Then redo your query, excluding the problem year. How often from 1970 – 2016 was it the case that a team with the most wins also won the world series? What percentage of the time? In 2001, the Seattle Mariners won 116 games without winning the world series. In 2006, the St. Louis Cardinals won the world series while only winning 83 games. The Dodgers won the 1981 World Series with 61 wins, but this year was shortened because of a strike. 12 times in 47 years did the team that most wins, either solo or shared, win the world series. There was no World Series in 1994.
8. Using the attendance figures from the homegames table, find the teams and parks which had the top 5 average attendance per game in 2016 (where average attendance is defined as total attendance divided by number of games). Only consider parks where there were at least 10 games played. Report the park name, team name, and average attendance. Repeat for the lowest 5 average attendance. LA Dodgers (45, 719), St. Louis Cardinals (42,524), Toronto Blue Jays (41, 877), San Francisco Giants (41,546) and Chicago Cubs (39,906) have the highest average attendance. Tampa Bay Rays (15,878), Oakland A’s (18,784), Cleveland Indians (19,650), Miami Marlins (21,405) and Chicago White Sox (21,559) have the lowest attendance.
9. Which managers have won the TSN Manager of the Year award in both the National League (NL) and the American League (AL)? Give their full name and the teams that they were managing when they won the award.

**Open-ended questions**

1. Analyze all the colleges in the state of Tennessee. Which college has had the most success in the major leagues. Use whatever metric for success you like - number of players, number of games, salaries, world series wins, etc.
2. Is there any correlation between number of wins and team salary? Use data from 2000 and later to answer this question. As you do this analysis, keep in mind that salaries across the whole league tend to increase together, so you may want to look on a year-by-year basis.
3. In this question, you will explore the connection between number of wins and attendance.
   1. Does there appear to be any correlation between attendance at home games and number of wins?
   2. Do teams that win the world series see a boost in attendance the following year? What about teams that made the playoffs? Making the playoffs means either being a division winner or a wild card winner.
4. It is thought that since left-handed pitchers are more rare, causing batters to face them less often, that they are more effective. Investigate this claim and present evidence to either support or dispute this claim. First, determine just how rare left-handed pitchers are compared with right-handed pitchers. Are left-handed pitchers more likely to win the Cy Young Award? Are they more likely to make it into the hall of fame?