Chapter 8: SQL Functions

Exercise 8.1: Using Scalar Functions

Unless the order is specified, the order of your results may differ.

Connect to the HR account.

1. Write a query to display the first name. last name, and salary of all employees in department 30, formatting the salary with commas and a floating dollar sign.

FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SALARY
Den	Raphaely	\$11,000
Alexander	Khoo	\$3,100
Shelli	Baida	\$2 , 900
Sigal	Tobias	\$2 , 800
Guy	Himuro	\$2 , 600
Karen	Colmenares	\$2,500

2. Write a query to display the first name, last name, and date hired of all employees in department 30, formatting the date to be year-month#-day.

FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	Date Hired
Den	Raphaely	2002-12-07
Alexander	Khoo	2003-05-18
Shelli	Baida	2005-12-24
Sigal	Tobias	2005-07-24
Guy	Himuro	2006-11-15
Karen	Colmenares	2007-08-10

3. Write a query to display the salary of all employees in department 30. Also show the salary rounded and truncated to thousands.

FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	RDSAL	TSAL	SALARY
Den	Raphaely	11000	11000	11000
Alexander	Khoo	3000	3000	3100
Shelli	Baida	3000	2000	2900
Sigal	Tobias	3000	2000	2800
Guy	Himuro	3000	2000	2600
Karen	Colmenares	3000	2000	2500

4. Write a query to display names of all employees in department 30. Their first name should be in lower case; their last name in upper case. Sequence the list in (ascending) first name, last name order.

LNAME	UNAME
alexander	KHOO
den	RAPHAELY
guy	HIMURO
karen	COLMENARES
shelli	BAIDA
sigal	TOBIAS

5. Write a query to display the initial of the first name followed by a period followed by the last name of all employees in department 30. Sequence the list in alphabetical order of this formatted name.

NAME			
A.	Khoo		
D.	Raphaely		
G.	Himuro		
Κ.	Colmenares		
S.	Baida		
S.	Tobias		

6. Write a query to display the street address, followed by the street address stripped of any leading numeric digits, spaces, or dashes (Street Name) for all rows in the locations table. Order the list by the Street Name.

8204 Arthur St 6092 Boxwood St 93091 Calle della Testa Calle della Testa Colle della	STREET_ADDRESS	Street Name
1297 Via Cola di Rie 12-98 Victoria Street 1298 Vileparle (E) 2007 Zagora St Via Cola di Rie Via Cola di Rie Victoria Street Victoria Street Vileparle (E) Zagora St	8204 Arthur St 6092 Boxwood St 93091 Calle della Testa 2004 Charade Rd 9702 Chester Road 198 Clementi North 2011 Interiors Blvd 2014 Jabberwocky Rd 9450 Kamiya-cho 40-5-12 Laogianggen Magdalen Centre, The Oxford Science Park Mariano Escobedo 9991 Murtenstrasse 921 Pieter Breughelstraat 837 Rua Frei Caneca 1360 20 Rue des Corps-Saints Schwanthalerstr. 7031 2017 Shinjuku-ku 147 Spadina Ave 1297 Via Cola di Rie 12-98 Victoria Street 1298 Vileparle (E)	Arthur St Boxwood St Calle della Testa Charade Rd Chester Road Clementi North Interiors Blvd Jabberwocky Rd Kamiya-cho Laogianggen Magdalen Centre, The Oxford Science Park Mariano Escobedo 9991 Murtenstrasse 921 Pieter Breughelstraat 837 Rua Frei Caneca 1360 Rue des Corps-Saints Schwanthalerstr. 7031 Shinjuku-ku Spadina Ave Via Cola di Rie Victoria Street Vileparle (E)

7. Write a query to display the street address, followed by length of the street address (Street Length) for all rows in the locations table. Sequence the list in the Street Length order.

STREET_ADDRESS	Street	Length
8204 Arthur St		14

2007 Zagora St 2004 Charade Rd	14 15
9450 Kamiya-cho	15
6092 Boxwood St	15
147 Spadina Ave	15
2017 Shinjuku-ku	16
Murtenstrasse 921	17
9702 Chester Road	17
1298 Vileparle (E)	18
198 Clementi North	18
2014 Jabberwocky Rd	19
40-5-12 Laogianggen	19
2011 Interiors Blvd	19
1297 Via Cola di Rie	20
Schwanthalerstr. 7031	21
12-98 Victoria Street	21
Rua Frei Caneca 1360	21
Mariano Escobedo 9991	21
20 Rue des Corps-Saints	23
93091 Calle della Testa	23
Pieter Breughelstraat 837	25
Magdalen Centre, The Oxford Science Park	40

8. Write a query to display the location ID, the street address, city, and state province of all rows in the locations table that contain either the string "RUA" or "RUE" in the street address. Sequence the list in descending sequence on location ID.

LOCATION_ID	STREET_ADDRESS	CITY	STATE_PROVINCE
2900	20 Rue des Corps-Saints	Geneva	Geneve
2800	Rua Frei Caneca 1360	Sao Paulo	Sao Paulo



Exercise 8.2: Additional SQL Functions

Connect to the HR account.

9. Write a query to display the department ID, first and last names, hire date, and commission percentage of all employees with manager 100 (Steven King) whose hire date is within 2 years of Jan 1, 2007. Sequence the list in department, hire date order. Use a non-standard function to display null commissions as 0.

DEPARTMENT_	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	HIRE_DATE	COMMISSION
!	50	Adam	Fripp	10-APR-2005	0
!	50	Shanta	Vollman	10-OCT-2005	0
!	50	Kevin	Mourgos	16-NOV-2007	0

80	Karen	Partners	05-JAN-2005	.3
80	Alberto	Errazuriz	10-MAR-2005	.3
80	Gerald	Cambrault	15-OCT-2007	.3
80	Eleni	Zlotkey	29-JAN-2008	.2
90	Neena	Kochhar	21-SEP-2005	Ω

10. Change the previous query to use a standard function to display the commission percentage. This time, order the list so that those hired closest to Jan 1, 2007 are listed first.

DEPARTMENT_ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	HIRE_DATE	COMMISSION
80	Gerald	Cambrault	15-OCT-2007	.3
50	Kevin	Mourgos	16-NOV-2007	0
80	Eleni	Zlotkey	29-JAN-2008	.2
50	Shanta	Vollman	10-OCT-2005	0
90	Neena	Kochhar	21-SEP-2005	0
50	Adam	Fripp	10-APR-2005	0
80	Alberto	Errazuriz	10-MAR-2005	.3
80	Karen	Partners	05-JAN-2005	.3



Chapter 9: Programming with PL/SQL

Exercise 9.1: Building Anonymous Blocks

Connect to the HR account.

1. In the declaration section, declare a record <code>emp_rec</code> that uses the <code>employees</code> table as a basis.

Use %ROWTYPE.

- 2. In the executable section, retrieve information for employee with a last name of 'Austin' into emp rec.
- 3. In the executable section, write a conditional structure that sets the new salary based on the employee's commission.

```
if commission_pct is undefined or zero then
  increase salary by a flat $500
if commission_pct is less than .2 then
  increase salary by $300
otherwise
  increase salary by $100
```

- 4. Write an UPDATE statement that sets the employee's salary to the value derived in the IF statement.
- 5. Select from the employees table for employee Austin to view the salary prior to running the block.
- 6. Execute the block. Again, query the employees table to check your results.

- 7. Test your code with other employees. Use Lee and then King. Validate your results by viewing the before and after values.
- 8. Roll back your changes.
- 9. Enhance your PL/SQL block by using a CASE statement. Execute the block and check your results. Test with other employees as in Step 6.
- 10. Roll back your changes.



- 11. Enhance the block by adding exception handling. Use the block which uses the CASE statement. The select statement may return no rows, one row, or many rows. Add the EXCEPTION section and add a handler for each of the possible errors.
- 12. Good practice recommends that you also add a handler for any other error that may occur. If unexpected conditions occur, raise an error, display "Contact support" and append the Oracle error message.
- 13. Test the program by running it for different last names. Use Austin, Smith, and Howard.
- 14. Roll back your changes.



Exercise 9.2: Using Cursors

Connect to the HR account.

In this exercise, you will declare and use a cursor to process the records in the <code>employees</code> table. Increase employee salary by \$5,000 for employees who were hired before Jan. 1, 2003. The cursor will accept one parameter, which limits the query to return only the required employees.

- 1. In the declaration section, declare a cursor that selects an employee record from the employees table. The cursor should accept one parameter called in_date_hired. Compare in_date_hired with the date_hired column in the WHERE clause of the SELECT statement. The cursor should include a FOR UPDATE clause to lock the selected rows.
- 2. Declare a record to hold the cursor results. Also declare a numeric variable, raise, and initialize it to 5000. Finally, declare a date variable, v_date, and initialize it to Jan. 1, 2003.
- 3. In the executable section, open the cursor and pass v date as a parameter.
- 4. Use a simple LOOP...END LOOP construct that loops through each record that the cursor returns.
- 5. Within the LOOP, use a FETCH statement to retrieve the row into the cursor record.
- 6. Add an EXIT WHEN statement to exit the loop when no more rows are returned by the cursor.
 - Warning! An exit statement must be included to avoid an endless loop.
- 7. Add an UPDATE statement, which uses the current cursor row.
- 8. Execute the block and check your results. Make sure to check records that should not have been updated as well!

EMPLOYEE_ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	HIRE_DATE	SALARY
203	Susan	Mavris	07-JUN-2002	11500
204	Hermann	Baer	07-JUN-2002	15000
205	Shelley	Higgins	07-JUN-2002	17008
206	William	Gietz	07-JUN-2002	13300
102	Lex	De Haan	13-JAN-2001	22000
108	Nancy	Greenberg	17-AUG-2002	17008
109	Daniel	Faviet	16-AUG-2002	14000
114	Den	Raphaely	07-DEC-2002	16000

8 rows selected.

9. Roll back your changes.



10. Modify the previous example to use a FOR-LOOP cursor instead of a regular cursor with a LOOP. **Set** the salary to \$11000; i.e., not a raise.

EMPLOYEE_ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	HIRE_DATE	SALARY
203	Susan	Mavris	07-JUN-2002	11000
204	Hermann	Baer	07-JUN-2002	11000
205	Shelley	Higgins	07-JUN-2002	11000
206	William	Gietz	07-JUN-2002	11000
102	Lex	De Haan	13-JAN-2001	11000
108	Nancy	Greenberg	17-AUG-2002	11000
109	Daniel	Faviet	16-AUG-2002	11000
114	Den	Raphaely	07-DEC-2002	11000

⁸ rows selected.

11. Roll back your changes.



Chapter 10: Creating Stored Procedures, Functions, and Packages

Exercise 10.1: Stored Procedures, Functions, and Packages

Connect to the HR account.

In this exercise, you will create and execute a procedure that updates an employee if one exists. Otherwise, assume this is a new employee and insert a new employee into the table.

- 1. Use the CREATE PROCEDURE statement to define a procedure called update_emp. It requires six input parameters: parm_employee_id, parm_last_name, parm_email, parm_hire_date, parm_job_id and parm_salary.
- 2. In the executable section, update the salary in the employees table for the specified employee_id. Verify that the last name, hire date, and job_id match the input parameters prior to making the change.
- 3. If no rows were updated because the input employee id does not exist in the employees table, then insert the input data into the table as a new row.
- 4. Complete the procedure with an END statement.
- 5. Store the procedure in the database by executing the CREATE PROCEDURE statement.
 - If you get a warning that the procedure was created with compilation errors, use the SHOW ERRORS command.
- 6. Test the procedure by creating a simple PL/SQL block that calls the procedure and passes parameters to it. Use employees Chen and Johnston for your tests. Check your results.
- 7. Roll back your changes.



Change the procedure from the previous exercise to perform an INSERT only if the department the employee is assigned to presently has a manager.

We will use a separate function to perform the test. The function is used only by the procedure. Therefore, it can be hidden by defining it as a private function in a package.

- 8. Start by dropping the independent procedure update_emp since we now want to include it into a package.
- 9. Write a package specification, pack_employee that contains a declaration of the update_emp procedure. Use the CREATE PACKAGE statement. You will need to add one more parameter to pass in a department id.
- 10. Use the procedure from previous section as the basis for this procedure specification. Remember to add the additional parameter for department id. Remove the procedure body, which starts with the keyword IS and finishes with an END statement.
- 11. Submit the package specification to the database for compilation and storage.
- 12. Write the package body for pack_employee using the CREATE PACKAGE BODY statement.
- 13. Write a function definition in the package body. The function should return the manager id for the assigned department or a null value if a manager is not assigned. The function will require a single parameter for the department id.
- 14. The function should be defined before the procedure.
- 15. Use a FUNCTION definition statement. The FUNCTION consists of a SELECT statement and a RETURN statement.
- 16. Copy the procedure from the previous section and make the following changes:
 - a. Add an additional parameter to pass in the department id.
 - b. Add an IF-THEN construct around the INSERT statement so that it inserts only if the department being assigned to has a manager assigned.
 - c. Use a PROCEDURE definition statement instead of the CREATE PROCEDURE statement within the package body.
- 17. The package body must be completed with an END statement.
- 18. Submit the package body to the database for compilation and storage.

19. Test the package by executing the packaged procedure from an anonymous PL/SQL block. Check your results.

