# Homework Problem Set 5: SQL SELECT, Part II

#### Overview

In this lab, we will explore advanced aspects of the SQL SELECT statements such as data aggregations, window functions, and complex queries.

#### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of the lab, you should be able to:

- Use aggregate functions with the GROUP BY and HAVING clauses.
- Demonstrate use of the WITH statement to reduce query complexity.
- Use window functions to apply a function to a partition of data.
- Select the appropriate window function for the problem at hand.
- Write SQL SELECT gueries to solve a variety of problems.
- Read database schemas (internal data models).

#### What You Will Need

To complete this lab, you will need the learn-databases environment up and running, specifically:

- Microsoft SQL Server DBMS,
- Provision the vbay database using the database provisioner application https://localhost:5000.
- Azure Data Studio connected to SQL Server with an open query window.
- Please review the first lab if you require assistance with these tools.

#### The Database: vBay!

vBay! is a knock-off of a popular auction website with a very similar name ①. A very high-level conceptual data model of the business processes supporting vBay! are:

- Users are buyers and/or sellers.
- Users post items for sale as sellers.
- Users place bids on items as buyers.
- The highest bid "wins" the item, and, therefore, that user buys it.
- Users rate each other as buyers and sellers.

Here is the internal model for vBay! with foreign keys so that you can see the metadata business rules that support the data model. For example, the **vb\_items** table has an FK **item\_seller\_user\_id** (the ID of the user selling the item) as well as an FK **item\_seller\_buyer\_id** (the ID of the user who bought the item).

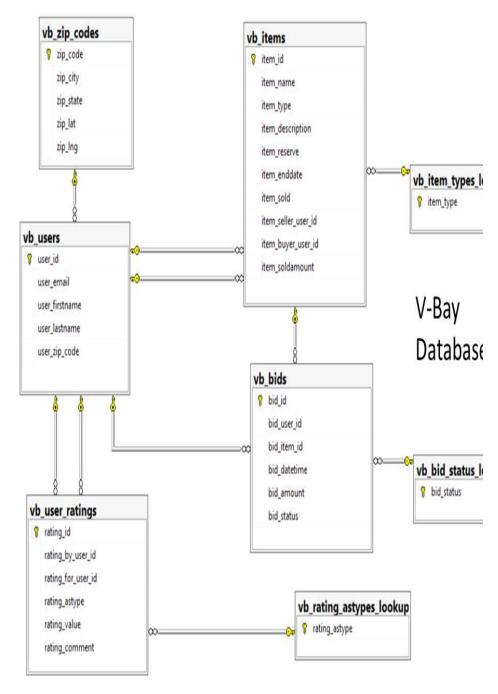


Figure 1. The internal data model for vBay!. This represents the tables, primary keys, and foreign keys.

### Walkthrough

Let's walk through the query-writing process once more, focusing on how to break down a question about your data into the corresponding SQL statement. Here we will focus on the process. The general process follows the order the query gets processed, not the order in which it is written:

- Figure out the tables you will need.
- Figure out how those tables should be joined
- Which rows should be filtered?
- Are there any groupings?
- Do those grouping need to be filtered?
- Which columns should be projected?
- How should the output be limited or sorted?

#### Query 1: Highest and Lowest Bids per Item

For all items, include the name of the item, the reserve price, the lowest bid, highest bid, and sold amount. Put the items with the largest reserve first.

• Figure out the tables you will need. vb\_bids , vb\_items

```
1 select * from vb_items
2 select * from vb bids
```

• Figure out how those tables should be joined. Join on PK/FK

```
1  select *
2   from vb_items
3   join vb_bids on item_id=bid
```

• Which rows should be filtered? Only valid bids

```
1  select *
2   from vb_items
3   join vb_bids on item_id=bid_
4   where bid_status = 'ok'
```

 Are there any groupings? Yes, minimum and maximum bids grouped by item. We must include all columns in the projection part of an aggregate function in the group by clause as well.

```
select item_name, item_reserve, min(bid_amount) a
max(bid_amount) as max_bid, item_soldamount
from vb_items
join vb_bids on item_id=bid_item_id
where bid_status = 'ok'
group by item_name, item_reserve, item_soldam
```

- Do those grouping need to be filtered? No
- Which columns should be projected? Already done
- How should the output be limited or sorted? Sort by reserve in descending order

```
select item_name, item_reserve, min(bid_amount)

max(bid_amount) as max_bid, item_soldamount

from vb_items

join vb_bids on item_id=bid_item_id

where bid_status = 'ok'

group by item_name, item_reserve, item_soldan

order by item_reserve desc
```

#### Query 2: Classifying Bidders' Activity

This query is a major step up and a lot more complicated.

vBay! would like to classify their users based on the numbers of valid bids they have placed.

```
Low Activity = 0 or 1 bids
Moderate Activity = 2 to 4 bids
High Activity = 5 or more bids
```

Then they would like to produce a report counting the number of users who fall into low, moderate, and high activity categories.

There are several ways to write this query, but we will break it down into two steps:

Step 1: Produce user list with count of bids and activities.

Step 2: Produce activity report from that.

Step 1: Produce user list with count of bids:

• Figure out the tables you will need. vb\_users, vb\_bids

```
1 select * from vb_users
2 select * from vb bids
```

Figure out how those tables should be joined. Left join from users to bids. This way it
includes users with no bids.

```
1  select *
2   from vb_users s
3   left join vb_bids b
4   on b.bid_user_id = s.u
```

• Which rows should be filtered? Only valid bids

```
1  select *
2  from vb_users s
3  left join vb_bids b
4  on b.bid_user_id = s.u
5  where b.bid_status = 'ok'
```

Are there any groupings? Yes, we need to show user information with a count of bids.
 Count(\*) makes sense because we need to include rows with nulls. Also, because we group by these columns, they should appear in the projection.

```
select s.user_email, s.user_firstname, s.user_lastname, count(*) {
    from vb_users s
    left join vb_bids b
        on b.bid_user_id = s.user_id
    where b.bid_status = 'ok'
    group by s.user_email, s.user_firstname, s.user_lastname
```

- Do these groupings need to be filtered? Filtered, no. Further categorized, yes.
- Which columns should be projected? The ones we have already plus a case statement based on the counts to produce Low, Moderate, and High activity.

```
select s.user_email, s.user_firstname, s.user_lastname, count(*) 
1
        case when count(*) between 0 and 1 then 'Low'
2
            when count(*) between 2 and 4 then 'Moderate'
3
            else 'High' end as user bid activity
4
        from vb users s
5
            left join vb_bids b
                on b.bid user id = s.user id
7
        where b.bid status = 'ok'
8
        group by s.user email, s.user firstname, s.user lastname
9
```

• How should the output be limited or sorted? **No need**.

#### Step 2: Produce activity report from that.

• What tables do we need? The output from the previous query is the "table" we wish to use, so we use the WITH statement to name the first query:

```
1
     with user bids as (
         select s.user email, s.user firstname, s.user lastname, count(*)
 2
             case when count(*) between 0 and 1 then 'Low'
 3
 4
                 when count(*) between 2 and 4 then 'Moderate'
                 else 'High' end as user bid activity
 5
             from vb users s
 6
 7
                 left join vb bids b
                     on b.bid user id = s.user id
 8
             where b.bid status = 'ok'
 9
             group by s.user email, s.user firstname, s.user lastname
10
11
     select * from user bids
12
```

- Figure out how those tables should be joined. **No joins.**
- Which rows should be filtered? No filters
- Are there any groupings? Yes, group by user\_bid\_activity and count rows.

```
with user bids as (
1
         select s.user_email, s.user_firstname, s.user lastname, count(*)
2
             case when count(*) between 0 and 1 then 'Low'
 3
                 when count(*) between 2 and 4 then 'Moderate'
4
 5
                 else 'High' end as user bid activity
             from vb users s
 6
7
                 left join vb bids b
8
                     on b.bid user id = s.user id
             where b.bid status = 'ok'
9
             group by s.user email, s.user firstname, s.user lastname
10
11
     select user_bid_activity, count(*) as user_count
12
13
         from user bids
14
         group by user_bid_activity
```

- Do those grouping need to be filtered? No
- Which columns should be projected? Same
- How should the output be limited or sorted? Let's sort by user\_count.

```
1 v with user bids as (
         select s.user email, s.user firstname, s.user lastname, count(*)
 2 V
 3 V
             case when count(*) between 0 and 1 then 'Low'
                 when count(*) between 2 and 4 then 'Moderate'
 4
                 else 'High' end as user_bid_activity
 5
 6 V
             from vb users s
 7 V
                 left join vb bids b
                     on b.bid_user_id = s.user_id
 8
             where b.bid status = 'ok'
 9
             group by s.user email, s.user firstname, s.user lastname
10
11
12 v select user bid activity, count(*) as user_count
         from user bids
13
14
         group by user bid activity
15
         order by user count
```

How should the output be limited or sorted? <b>Unsure, but will sort by item_name to that it's easy to locate items.</b>				

- select Item\_name, item\_type, item\_reserve, item\_sol
- 2 from vb\_items
- 3 where item\_type='Collectables'
- 4 order by item\_name

## Results Messages

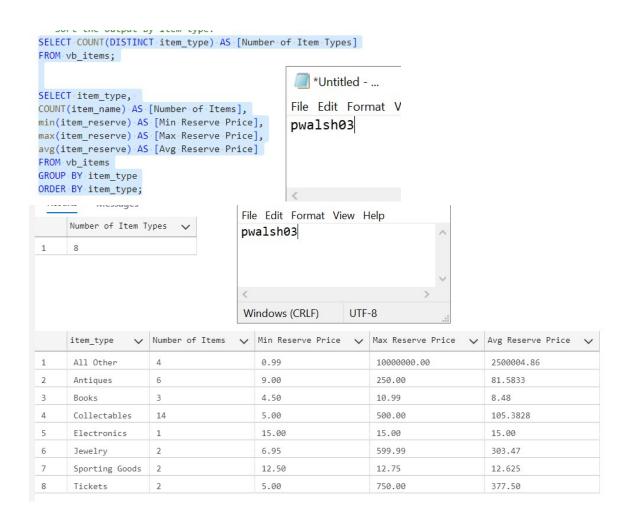
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1	Alf Alarm Clock	Collectables	5.0000	NU
2	Autographed Mik Jagger Poster	Collectables	75.0000	10
3	Carlos Villalba BobbleHead	Collectables	49.9500	NU
4	Dukes Of Hazard ashtray	Collectables	149.9900	NU
5	Farrah Fawcet poster	Collectables	50.0000	NU
6	Joe Montanna Figurine	Collectables	200.0000	NU
7	Kleenex used by Dr. Dre	Collectables	500.0000	NU
8	Mike Fudge BobbleHead	Collectables	49.9500	NU
9	PacMan Fever lunchbox	Collectables	29.9900	NU
10	Pez dispensers	Collectables	10.0000	11
11	Rare Mint Snow Globe	Collectables	30.5000	40
12	Shatner's old Toupee	Collectables	199.9900	NU
13	Smurf TV Tray	Collectables	25.0000	26
14	Some Beanie Babies, New with	Collectables	99.9900	NU

#### Questions

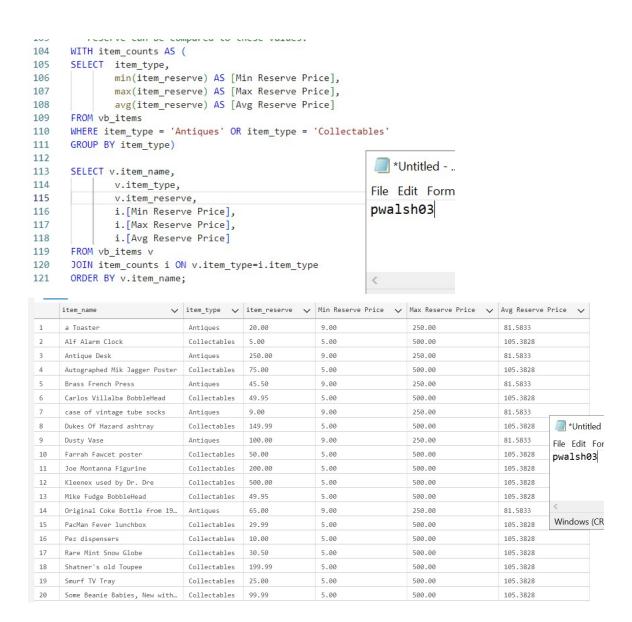
Answer these questions using the problem set submission template. You will need to consult the logical model in the overview section for details. For any screen shots provided, please follow the guidelines for submitting a screen shot.

Write the following as SQL queries. If the query is ambiguous, fill in the gaps yourself and justify your reasoning. For each, include the SQL as a screen shot with the output of the query.

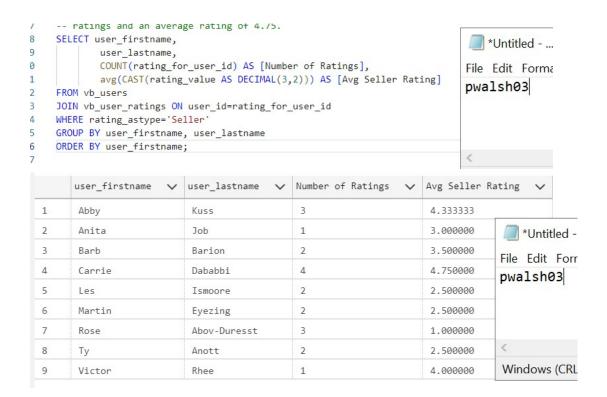
 How many item types are there? Perform an analysis of each item type. For each item type, provide the count of items in that type and the minimum, average, and maximum item reserve prices for that type. Sort the output by item type.



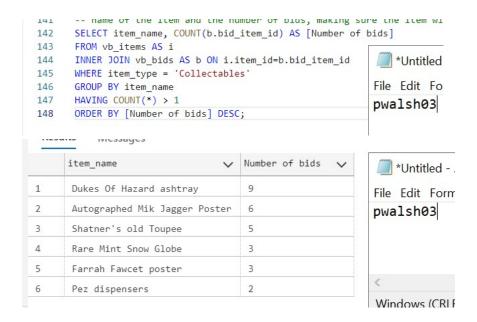
Perform an analysis of each item in the "Antiques" and "Collectables" item types. For each
item, display the name, item type, and item reserve. Include the minimum, maximum, and
average item reserve over each item type so that the current item reserve can be compared
to these values.



 Write a query to include the names, counts (number of ratings), and average seller ratings (as a decimal) of users. For reference, User Carrie Dababbi has four seller ratings and an average rating of 4.75.



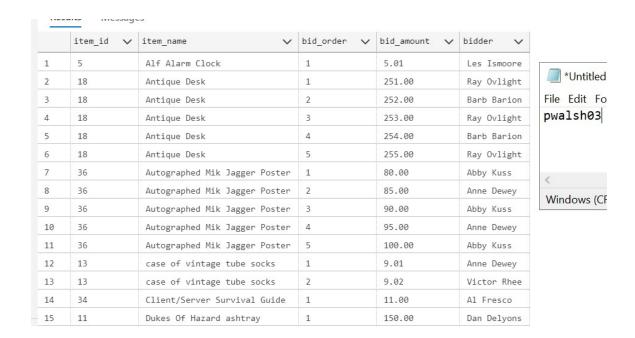
• Create a list of "Collectable" item types with more than one bid. Include the name of the item and the number of bids, making sure the item with the most bids appear first.



 Generate a valid bidding history for any given item of your choice. Display the item ID, item name, a number representing the order the bid was placed, the bid amount, and the bidder's name. Here's an example showing the first three bids on item 11:

item_id	item_name	bid_order	bid_amount	bidder
11	Dukes Of Hazard ashtray	1	150.0000	Dan Del
11	Dukes Of Hazard ashtray	2	175.0000	Al Fres
11	Dukes Of Hazard ashtray	3	200.0000	Carrie

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      WITH bidders AS (
          SELECT user_id, user_firstname + ' ' + user_lastname AS bidder
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          FROM vb_users
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      SELECT i.item_id,
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              -- b.bid_id,
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              RANK() OVER (
                 PARTITION BY item_name
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                  ORDER BY b.bid_amount) AS bid_order,
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              b.bid_amount,
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              bidder
      FROM vb_items AS i
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      INNER JOIN vb_bids AS b ON i.item_id=b.bid_item_id
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      INNER JOIN bidders ON b.bid_user_id=bidders.user_id
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      WHERE bid_status = 'ok';
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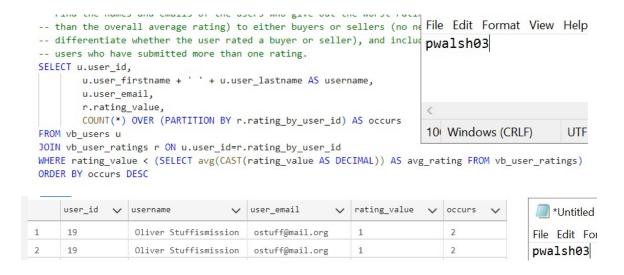


Rewrite your query in the previous question to include the names of the next and previous bidders, like this example, again showing the first three bids for item 11.

item_name	bid_order	bid_amount	prev_bidder	bidder	nex
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Dukes Of Hazard ashtray	2	175.0000	Dan Delyons	Al Fresco	Ca
Dukes Of Hazard ashtray	3	200.0000	Al Fresco	Carrie Dababbi	Gu

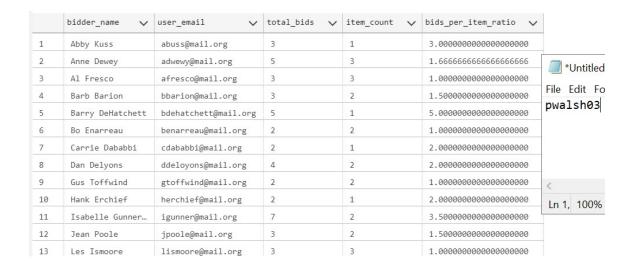
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            SELECT user_id, user_firstname + ' ' + user_lastname AS bidder
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            FROM vb_users
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        SELECT i.item_id,
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                      ORDER BY b.bid_amount) AS bid_order,
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                 bidder,
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                 LAG(bidder) OVER (
                      PARTITION BY item_name
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                      ORDER BY b.bid_amount) AS previous_bidder,
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                 LEAD(bidder) OVER (
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                      PARTITION BY item_name
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                      ORDER BY b.bid_amount) AS next_bidder
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        FROM vb_items AS i
        INNER JOIN vb_bids AS b ON i.item_id=b.bid_item_id
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198
        INNER JOIN bidders ON b.bid_user_id=bidders.user_id
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       WHERE bid status = 'ok';
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Find the names and emails of the users who give out the worst ratings (lower than the
overall average rating) to either buyers or sellers (no need to differentiate whether the user
rated a buyer or seller), and include only those users who have submitted more than one
rating.



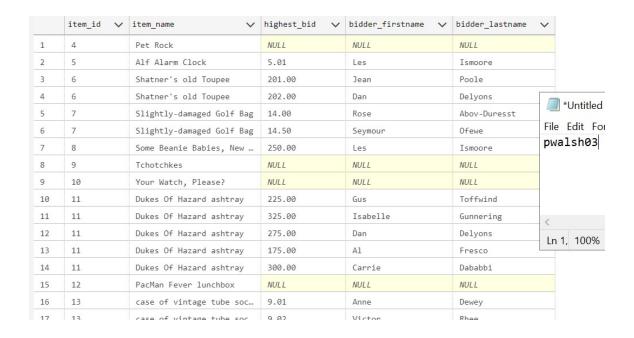
Produce a report of the KPI (key performance indicator) user bids per item. Show the user's
name and email, total number of valid bids, total count of items bid upon, and then the
ratio of bids to items. As a check, Anne Dewey's bids per item ratio is 1.666666.

```
32
     WITH bids_per_item AS (
33
          SELECT u.user_firstname + ' ' + u.user_lastname AS bidder_name,
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                  u.user email,
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                  COUNT(DISTINCT b.bid_item_id) AS item_count,
                  COUNT(*) AS total_bids
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          FROM vb_bids AS b
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          JOIN vb_users AS u ON b.bid_user_id = u.user_id
          WHERE b.bid_status = 'ok'
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          GROUP BY
40
41
              u.user_firstname,
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              u.user lastname,
43
              u.user_email
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              total_bids,
48
              item_count,
              CAST(total_bids AS DECIMAL) / CAST(item_count AS DECIMAL) AS bids_per_item_ratio
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     FROM bids_per_item;
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```



 Among items not sold, show highest bidder name and the highest bid for each item. Make sure to include only valid bids.

```
256
      SELECT
257
          i.item_id,
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          i.item_name,
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          b.bid_amount AS highest_bid,
          u.user firstname AS bidder firstname,
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          u.user_lastname AS bidder_lastname
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          vb_items i
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      LEFT JOIN (
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          SELECT
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               bid_item_id,
              MAX(bid_amount) AS bid_amount,
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              bid_user_id
           FROM
269
270
              vb_bids
271
          WHERE
              bid_status = 'ok'
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          GROUP BY
274
              bid_item_id, bid_user_id
275
       ) b ON i.item_id = b.bid_item_id
276
      LEFT JOIN vb_users u ON b.bid_user_id = u.user_id
277
278
          i.item_sold = 0;
```



 Write a query with output similar to Question 3, but also includes the overall average seller rating and the difference between each user's average rating and the overall average. For reference, the overall average seller rating should be 3.2.

```
58
      WITH overall_avg AS (
59
        SELECT avg(CAST(rating_value AS DECIMAL(3,2))) AS overall_avg_rating
60
        FROM vb_user_ratings
       WHERE rating astype='Seller'
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62
63
     SELECT user_firstname,
64
         user lastname,
65
         COUNT(rating_for_user_id) AS [Number of Ratings],
         avg(CAST(rating_value AS DECIMAL(3,2))) AS [Avg Seller Rating],
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67
         overall_avg.overall_avg_rating AS [Overall Avg Seller Rating],
68
         avg(CAST(rating_value AS DECIMAL(3,2))) - overall_avg.overall_avg_rating AS [Rating Difference]
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     FROM vb_users
70
       JOIN vb_user_ratings ON user_id=rating_for_user_id
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       CROSS JOIN overall_avg
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      WHERE
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       rating_astype='Seller'
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      GROUP BY
75
       user_firstname,
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       user_lastname,
77
       overall_avg.overall_avg_rating
78
      ORDER BY user_firstname;
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	user_firstname 🗸	user_lastname 🗸	Number of Ratings 🗸	Avg Seller Rating 🗸	Overall Avg Seller Rating 🗸	Rating Difference
1	Abby	Kuss	3	4.333333	3.200000	1.133333
2	Anita	Job	1	3.000000	3.200000	-0.200000
3	Barb	Barion	2	3.500000	3.200000	0.300000
4	Carrie	Dababbi	4	4.750000	3.200000	1.550000
5	Les	Ismoore	2	2.500000	3.200000	-0.700000
6	Martin	Eyezing	2	2.500000	3.200000	-0.700000
7	Rose	Abov-Duresst	3	1.000000	3.200000	-2.200000
8	Ту	Anott	2	2.500000	3.200000	-0.700000
9	Victor	Rhee	1	4.000000	3.200000	0.800000

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