

1.1 TOTAL SPENT PER CATEGORY

```
SELECT category, SUM(amount) AS category_total  
FROM expenses  
GROUP BY category;
```

1.2 AVERAGE EXPENSE PER CATEGORY

```
SELECT category, AVG(amount) AS avg_amount_per_category  
FROM expenses  
GROUP BY category;
```

1.3 BONUS CHALLENGE

```
SELECT category, SUM(amount) AS category_total  
FROM expenses  
GROUP BY category  
ORDER BY category_total DESC  
LIMIT 3;
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