# **DAILY USAGE COMMANDS FOR DBA'S**

#### **Locate Database Files:**

Use SQL command: SELECT \* FROM sysaltfiles WHERE filename LIKE 'd%'

## **Shrink a Full Log File:**

Commands: BACKUP LOG dbname WITH NO\_LOG and DBCC SHRINKFILE(2)

### **Check Open Transactions:**

Use: DBCC OPENTRAN

#### **Detect Blocked Process:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sysprocesses WHERE blocked > 0 AND spid = 57

# **Buffer Cache Hit Ratio < 90:**

Explanation: Indicates potential performance issues and reduced cache effectiveness due to bottlenecks.

#### **View Database Status:**

Command: DBCC SHOWFILESTATS

## **Check CPU Usage (when buffer cache hit ratio < 90):**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.sysprocesses ORDER BY cpu ASC

#### **Get Table Information:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sysobjects WHERE name LIKE '%table\_name%'

#### **Retrieve Data from Linked Server:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM LinkedServer.DBName.SchemaName.TableName

#### **Find Service Pack Version:**

Query: SELECT SERVERPROPERTY('PRODUCTLEVEL')

### **View Server Collation Setting:**

Command: SP\_HELPSORT

# **Check Log Usage:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.databases WHERE name LIKE '%log\_reuse\_wait\_desc%'

#### **See Connection Information with DMVs:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_exec\_sessions

#### **View Transaction Isolation Level:**

Command: DBCC USEROPTIONS

Change Database Compatibility Level (SQL 2016 to 2019):

Execute: EXEC sp\_dbcmptlevel AdventureWorks, 150

### **Check Query Memory Usage:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_exec\_query\_memory\_grants

### **Clear Buffer Cache Data:**

Command: DBCC DROPCLEANBUFFERS

# **Monitor Tempdb Space Allocation:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_db\_session\_space\_usage or sys.dm\_db\_task\_space\_usage

# **Get Index Usage Stats:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_db\_index\_usage\_stats ORDER BY object\_id, index\_id

#### List Schedulers and Runnable Tasks:

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_os\_schedulers WHERE scheduler\_id < 255

## **Identify High CPU Queries:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_exec\_query\_stats

# **Check for Active Parallel Requests:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_exec\_requests

#### **View Lock Information:**

Query: SELECT \* FROM sys.dm\_tran\_locks

# **Open Cluster Administrator**

Command: cluadmin.msc

# sp\_readerrorlog:

Purpose: To view the error log.

# sp\_helpdb:

Purpose: To view information about databases.

# sp\_helplogins 'Loginname':

Purpose: To verify the permissions of a specific login.

## sp\_helpuser:

Purpose: To verify the users in the database.

## xp\_logininfo 'Loginname':

Purpose: To verify Active Directory login group information for a login.

### sp\_who2:

Purpose: To view the processes running on SQL Server.

## sp\_who2 active:

Purpose: To view details of processes running on SQL Server.

# select \* from sys.sysprocesses where blocked != 0:

Purpose: To view processes that are currently blocked.

### **DBCC OPENTRAN:**

Purpose: To get information about open transactions in the database.

# **DBCC INPUTBUFFER(spid):**

Purpose: To view the current query being executed by a specific process (identified by its SPID).

# **DBCC SQLPERF(logspace):**

Purpose: To view information about the log space usage.