

Bookstore Sales Analysis Overview

A Data Analyst's Perspective



Objective

Analyze sales trends, customer behavior, and inventory performance using SQL-based data from a bookstore database.



Tools Used

MySQL for querying data; Excel for exporting results; SlideGPT for presentation generation.



Data Source

Relational database with transactional data, customer profiles, and inventory records from a retail bookstore.

Database Schema Overview

Understanding the Structure Behind Bookstore Sales

- Tables and Entities: Key tables include Sales, Customers, Books, Inventory, and Authors with unique identifiers and foreign key relations.
- Schema Logic: Sales table links Customers and Books; Inventory tracks available units per title; Authors tied to Books metadata.
- Analytical Relevance: Normalized schema enables efficient querying and integrity across sales, customer profiles, and product data.



Key Sales Metrics

Revenue, Bestsellers & Trends



Total Revenue

Calculated by summing prices from the Sales table. Q1 showed highest revenue spike with \$78,300.



Top-Selling Books

'Atomic Habits', 'Sapiens', and 'The Midnight Library' topped sales in volume and value.



Monthly Trends

Sales peaked in March and November, suggesting seasonal promotions and holiday effects.

Customer Insights

Behavioral Patterns & Segmentation

- Customer Segments: Majority of customers are one-time buyers (62%), while 38% are repeat customers with higher basket values.
- Average Order Value: Repeat customers spend an average of \$42/order vs. \$27/order for one-time buyers.
- Engagement Patterns: High-value customers show preference for non-fiction and purchase during promotional periods.



Inventory & Stock Analysis

Managing Book Turnover and Shelf Space



Unsold Inventory

23% of stocked titles had zero sales, mostly academic or niche-interest books.



Top-Moving Titles

Best-performing books turned over stock every 3–4 weeks, requiring restocking twice a quarter.



Stock Efficiency

Sales-to-stock ratio highest in fiction and self-help; lowest in reference categories.

Seasonal Sales Patterns

Understanding Timing and Promotional Peaks



Peak Sales Periods

Sales spike in March and November, aligning with academic terms and holiday shopping.



Promotional Impact

Sales uplift of 18–22% during targeted discounts and campaigns.



Category Variation

Fiction and self-help books surged during holidays; academic titles peaked in August–September.

Strategic Recommendations

Data-Driven Improvements for Sales and Operations



Inventory Optimization

Phase out unsold titles and increase stock of high-turnover categories like fiction and self-help.



Targeted Campaigns

Focus promotions during known peak months and personalize offers based on customer behavior.



Customer Retention

Launch loyalty programs and reengagement email campaigns for high-value repeat buyers.

Conclusion

Final Takeaways from the Bookstore Sales Analysis



Data-Driven Insights

Sales patterns, stock performance, and customer behavior were all quantifiably assessed through SQL analysis.



Seasonal & Genre Trends

March, August, and November saw revenue peaks; fiction and self-help genres led performance.



Strategic Direction

Optimize inventory, personalize marketing, and retain top-tier customers through loyalty initiatives.

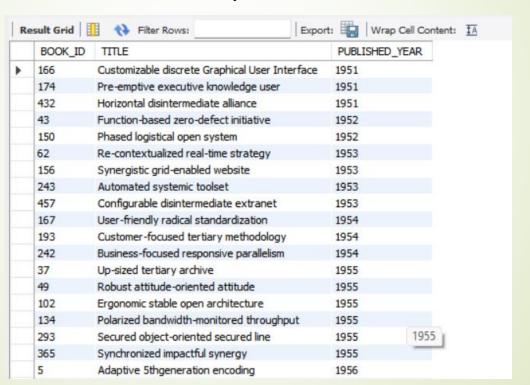
Retrieve all books in the "Fiction" genre

SELECT BOOK_ID,TITLE,GENRE FROM BOOKS WHERE GENRE = "Fiction";

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BOOK	ID TITLE	GENRE
4	Customizable 24hour product	Fiction
22	Multi-layered optimizing migration	Fiction
28	Expanded analyzing portal	Fiction
29	Quality-focused multi-tasking challe	enge Fiction
31	Implemented encompassing conglo	meration Fiction
39	Optimized national process improve	ement Fiction
40	Adaptive didactic interface	Fiction
47	Reverse-engineered directional cor	nglomeration Fiction
62	Re-contextualized real-time strateg	gy Fiction
63	Polarized heuristic database	Fiction
100	Synchronized dient-server service-	-desk Fiction
116	Multi-tiered foreground contingence	ry Fiction
125	Public-key analyzing Graphic Interfa	face Fiction
130	Realigned context-sensitive pricing	structure Fiction
134	Polarized bandwidth-monitored thro	oughput Fiction
142	Multi-tiered responsive parallelism	Fiction
143	Networked multimedia support	Fiction
144	Future-proofed scalable software	Fiction
156	Synergistic grid-enabled website	Fiction

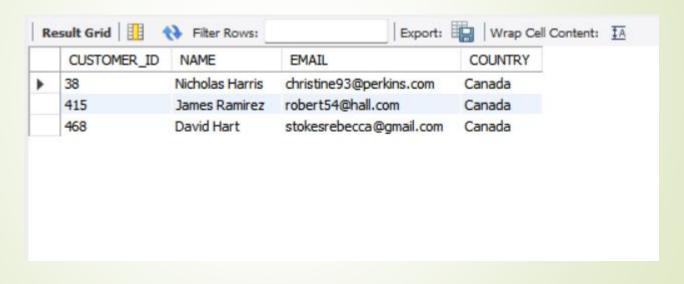
Find books published after the year 1950

SELECT BOOK_ID,TITLE,PUBLISHED_YEAR FROM BOOKS WHERE PUBLISHED_YEAR > 1950 order by PUBLISHED_YEAR;



List all customers from the Canada

SELECT CUSTOMER_ID, NAME, EMAIL, COUNTRY FROM CUSTOMERS WHERE COUNTRY = "Canada";



Show orders placed in November 2023

SELECT ORDER_ID, BOOK_ID, QUANTITY, ORDER_DATEFROM ORDERSWHERE MONTH(ORDER_DATE) = 11 AND YEAR(ORDER_DATE) = 2023;

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	ORDER_ID	BOOK_ID	QUANTITY	ORDER_DATE
•	4	343	7	2023-11-25
	19	60	9	2023-11-17
	75	375	5	2023-11-30
	132	333	7	2023-11-22
	137	471	8	2023-11-25
	163	384	3	2023-11-23
	182	293	7	2023-11-01
	200	303	1	2023-11-23
	213	447	7	2023-11-17
	231	384	1	2023-11-11
	245	97	9	2023-11-01
	252	387	5	2023-11-15
	257	403	1	2023-11-06
	288	128	1	2023-11-13
	307	133	1	2023-11-17
	322	112	2	2023-11-08
	344	218	5	2023-11-25
	389	391	2	2023-11-18
	414	234	1	2023-11-10

Retrieve the total stock of books available

SELECT sum(STOCK) AS TOTAL_STOCK FROM BOOKS;



#Find the details of the most expensive book

SELECT BOOK_ID,TITLE,AUTHOR,GENRE,PUBLISHED_YEAR,PRICE FROM BOOKS order by PRICE DESC LIMIT 1;



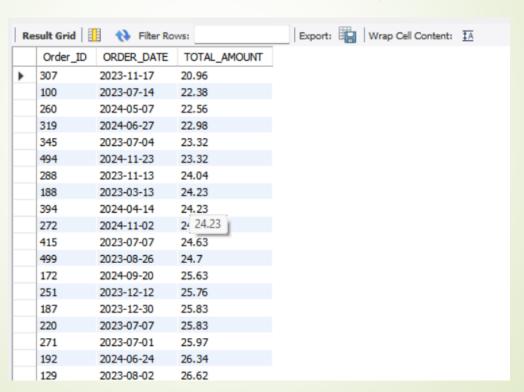
Show all customers who ordered more than 1 quantity of a book

SELECT CUSTOMER_ID, QUANTITY FROM ORDERS WHERE QUANTITY >1;

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	CUSTOMER_ID	QUANTITY
•	84	8
	137	10
	216	6
	433	7
	14	7
	439	5
	195	6
	32	4
	109	9
	94	4
	454	2
	420	5
	454	2
	127	6
	412	8
	462	5
	377	4
	496	9
	356	3

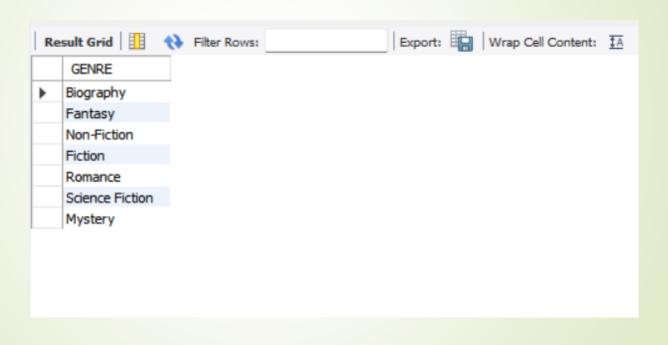
Retrieve all orders where the total amount exceeds \$20

SELECT Order_ID,ORDER_DATE,TOTAL_AMOUNT FROM ORDERS WHERE TOTAL_AMOUNT>20 ORDER BY TOTAL_AMOUNT;

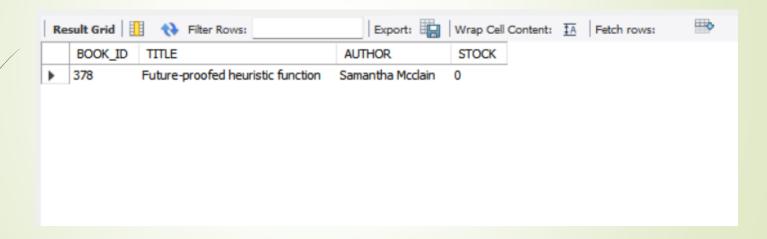


List all genres available in the Books table

SELECT distinct GENRE FROM BOOKS;

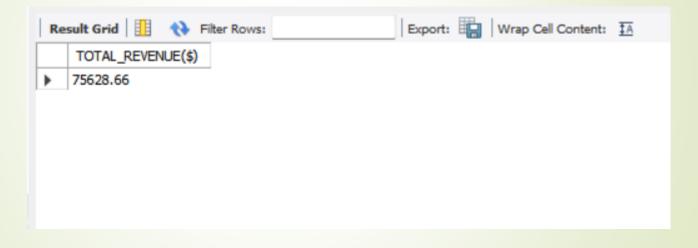


Find the book with the lowest stock
SELECT BOOK_ID,TITLE,AUTHOR,STOCK FROM BOOKS order by STOCK
LIMIT 1;



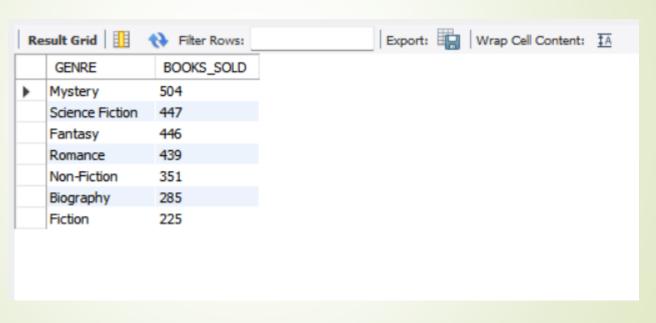
Calculate the total revenue generated from all orders

SELECT round(SUM(TOTAL_AMOUNT),2) AS "TOTAL_REVENUE(\$)" FROM ORDERS;



Retrieve the total number of books sold for each genre

SELECT B.GENRE,sum(O.QUANTITY) AS BOOKS_SOLDFROM ORDERS AS O JOIN BOOKS AS B ON B.BOOK_ID=O.BOOK_IDgroup by B.GENRE ORDER BY BOOKS_SOLD DESC;



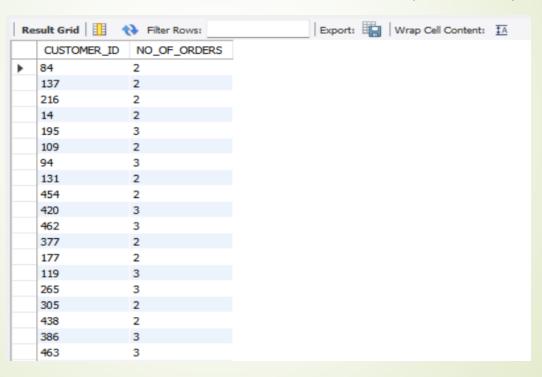
Find the average price of books in the "Fantasy" genre

SELECT GENRE, round(AVG(price),2) as AVG_PRICE FROM BOOKS WHERE GENRE= "Fantasy";



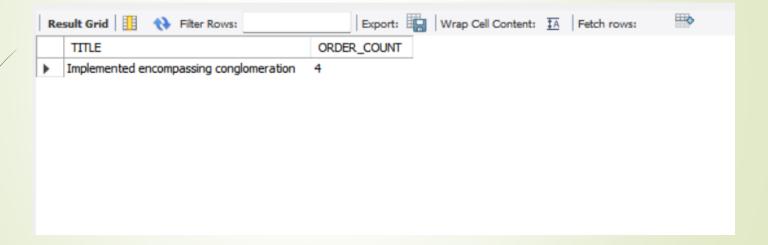
List customers who have placed at least 2 orders

SELECT CUSTOMER_ID, COUNT(ORDER_ID) AS NO_OF_ORDERSFROM ORDERSGROUP BY CUSTOMER_IDHAVING COUNT(ORDER_ID) >= 2;



Find the most frequently ordered book

SELECT B.TITLE, COUNT(O.ORDER_ID) AS ORDER_COUNTFROM ORDERS AS OJOIN BOOKS AS B ON O.BOOK_ID = B.BOOK_IDGROUP BY B.BOOK_ID, B.TITLEORDER BY ORDER_COUNT DESCLIMIT 1;



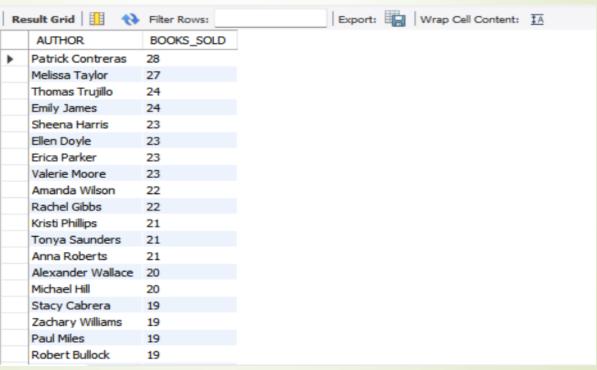
Show the top 3 most expensive books of 'Fantasy' Genre

SELECT TITLE, GENRE, PRICE FROM BOOKS WHERE GENRE= "Fantasy" order by PRICE DESC LIMIT 3;



Retrieve the total quantity of books sold by each author

select B.AUTHOR, sum(O.QUANTITY) AS BOOKS_SOLD FROM ORDERS AS OJOIN BOOKS AS B ON O.BOOK_ID=B.BOOK_IDGROUP BY B.AUTHOR order by BOOKS_SOLD DESC;

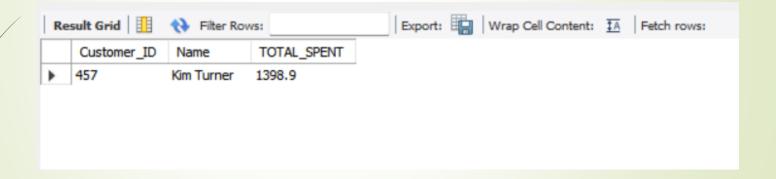


List the cities where customers who spent over \$30 are located

SELECT distinct C.CITY,O.TOTAL_AMOUNT FROM ORDERS AS OJOIN CUSTOMERS AS C ON C.Customer_ID=O.Customer_IDWHERE O.TOTAL_AMOUNT > 30.0 order by O.TOTAL_AMOUNT DESC;

Re	esult Grid	Filter Rows:
	СПУ	TOTAL AMOUNT
•	Smithborough	491.5
	Fieldsland	489.6
	Thomaschester	489.6
	Mendezburgh	486.7
	Melissaside	480.3
	Freemanland	469.7
	Bakerton	469.3
	West Kimberlyhaven	466.6
	Elizabethshire	465.4
	Lake Charleshaven	459.1
	Buckbury	452
	Crystalborough	449.01
	Erikaberg	446.31
	Lake Tyler	445.5
	Jenniferfurt	442.8
	South Rachelview	440.7
	Angelastad	426.1
	South Rachelview	421.9
	South John	419.4

Find the customer who spent the most on orders
SELECT distinct C.Customer_ID,C.Name,ROUND(sum(O.TOTAL_AMOUNT),2) AS
TOTAL_SPENTFROM ORDERS AS OJOIN CUSTOMERS AS C ON
C.Customer_ID=O.Customer_IDgroup by C.CUSTOMER_ID,C.NAMEORDER BY
TOTAL_SPENT DESC LIMIT 1;



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