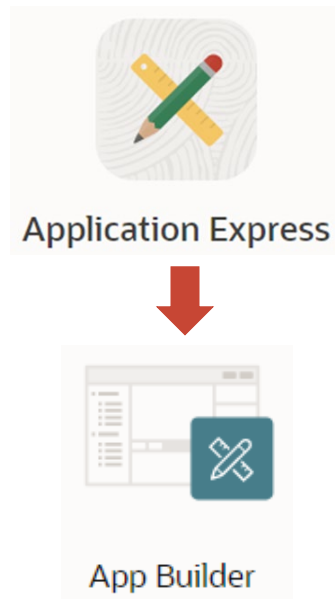


Creating a Simple Autonomous Database Application in Oracle APEX



Tutorial: Creating a Simple Database Application in Oracle APEX

Topic	Details
Overview	In this tutorial, you will create a simple database application in Oracle APEX using App Builder.
Key Concepts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create an application using the Application Wizard• Create additional pages using the Page Wizard• Use existing sequences to populate primary key columns• Create Lists of Values to populate foreign key columns.• Create Master Detail Forms• Upload an image file to display on a page in the application
Difficulty	Intermediate
Duration	Approximately 90 minutes
	Note: Learners will require access to an active APEX account with tables and data uploaded from the SQL schema script file (which can be accessed from Course Resources of either database course). This tutorial was built using APEX 22.2

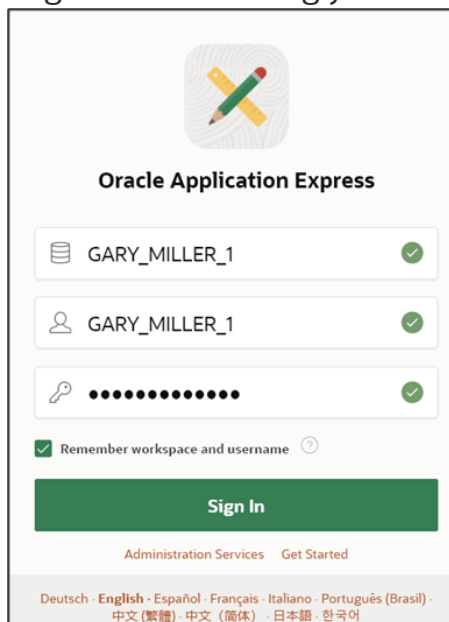
Part 1: Introduction and Getting Started

This tutorial will demonstrate how to create a database application using the App Builder component of Oracle Application Express (APEX) on a Cloud Autonomous Database.

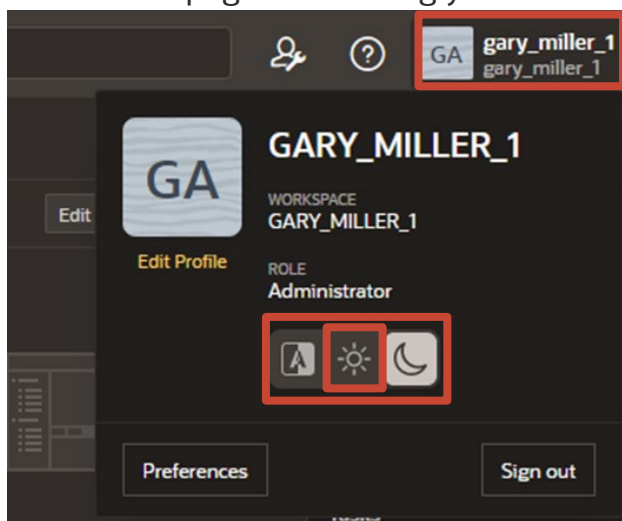
The application created in this tutorial will allow end-users to add, modify and delete data in the existing Jobs, Employees and Departments tables without the need to run SQL queries.

Step 1: Log on to APEX

1. Log on to APEX using your Autonomous Database APEX credentials.

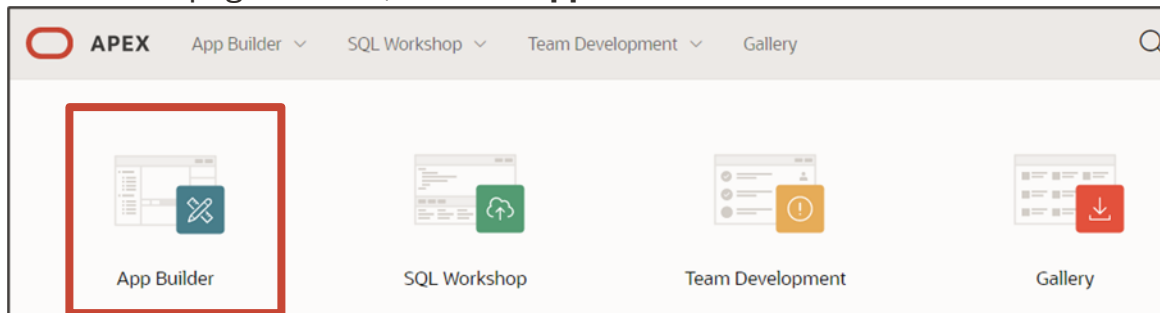


2. By default, APEX is in “Dark Mode”. The screenshots in this lab are displayed in “Light Mode”. You can select your chosen mode by clicking your workspace name from the top right of APEX home page and clicking your choice.



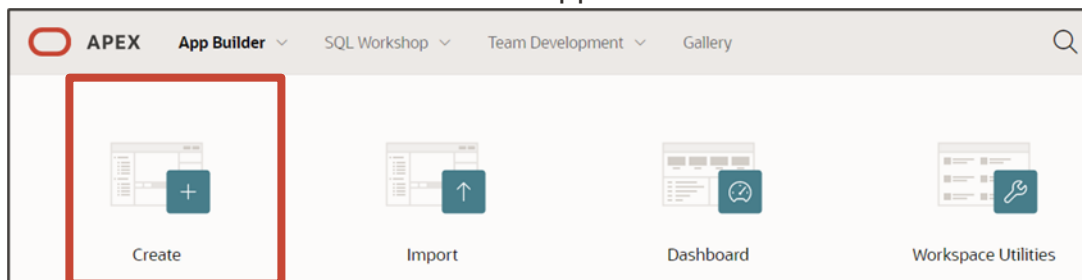
Step 2: Accessing Application Builder

1. In the home page of APEX, click the **App Builder** icon.

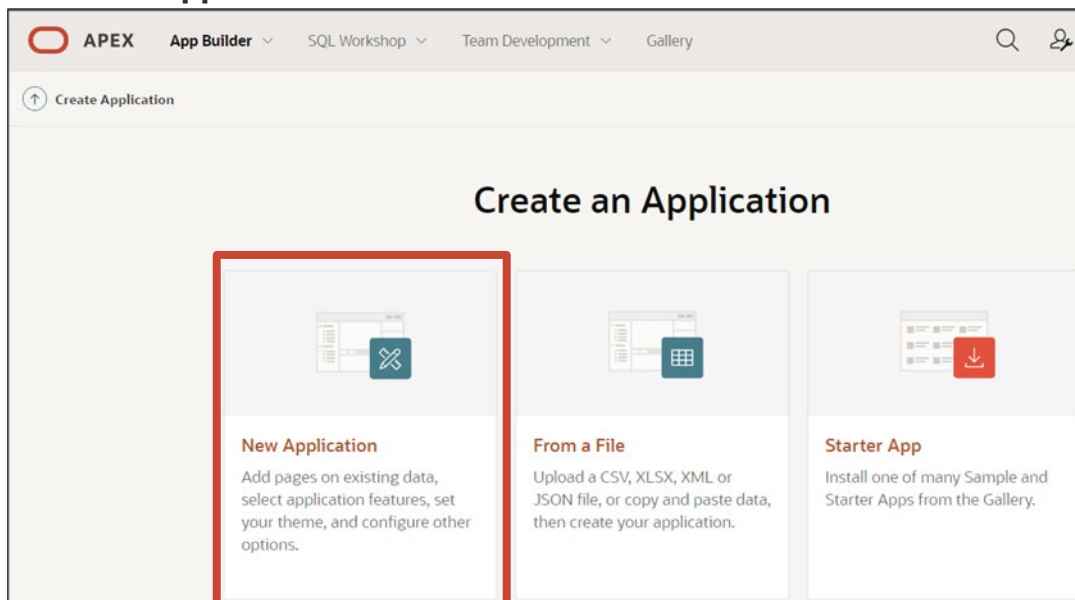


Step 3: Create a New Application

1. Click the **Create** icon to create a new application.



2. Click **New Application**.



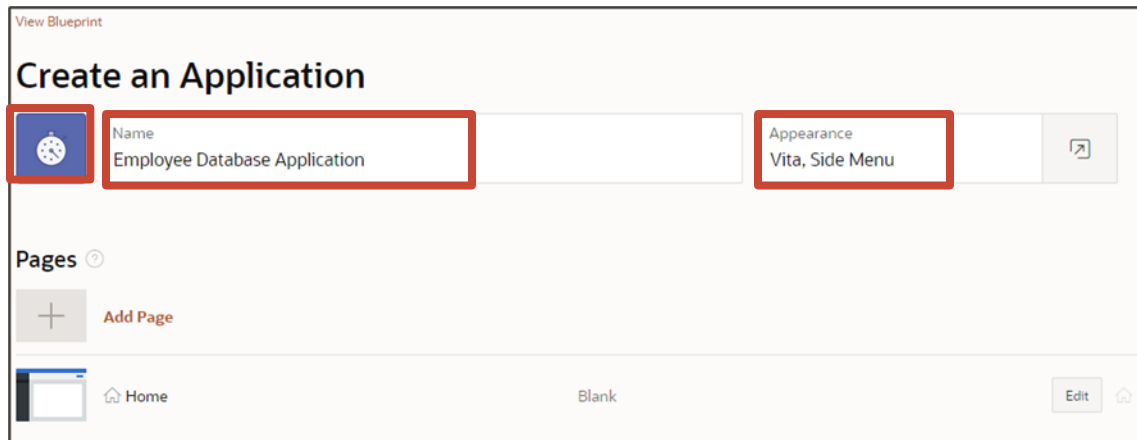
Step 4: Name the Application

Follow the steps below to continue creating the application:

1. **Name:** Employee Database Application

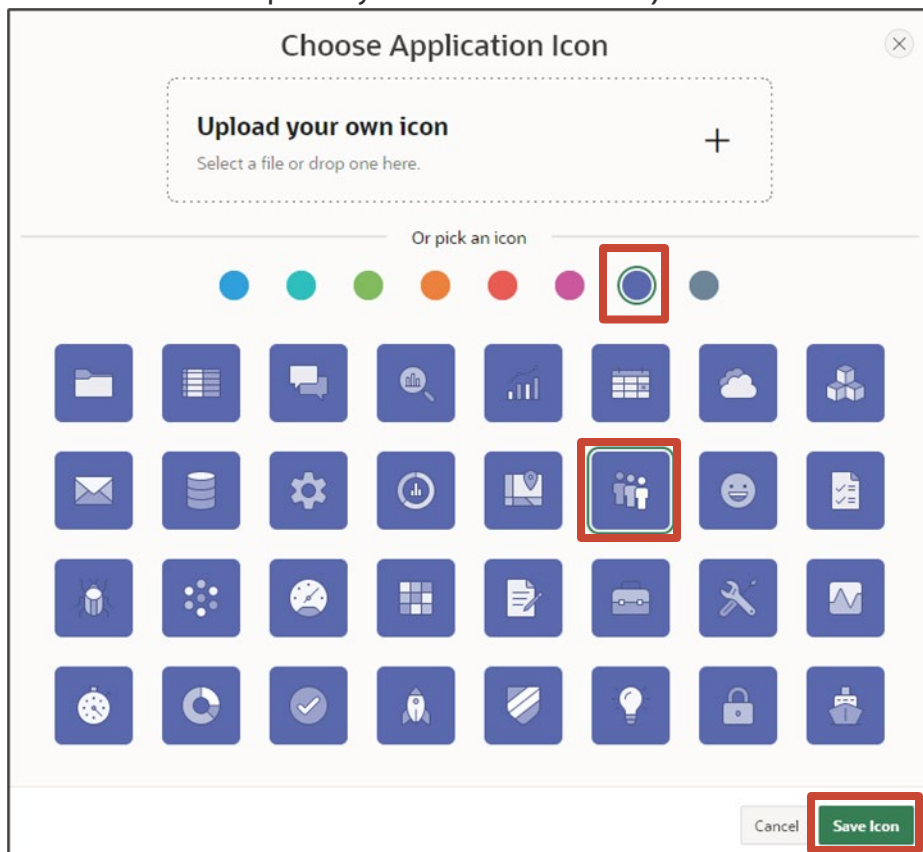
Appearance: Accept default Vita theme

Click the “**Set Icon**” button.



The screenshot shows the 'Create an Application' dialog. At the top left is a 'View Blueprint' link. The main title is 'Create an Application'. Below the title, there are two input fields: 'Name' and 'Appearance'. The 'Name' field contains 'Employee Database Application' and is highlighted with a red box. The 'Appearance' field contains 'Vita, Side Menu' and is also highlighted with a red box. To the right of the 'Appearance' field is a small icon of a document with a checkmark. Below these fields is a 'Pages' section with a '+' icon and the text 'Add Page'. At the bottom, there is a 'Home' button with a house icon and a 'Blank' button. An 'Edit' button with a pencil icon is located at the bottom right.

2. Select an icon and its color to use for your application, then click **Set Application Icon**. (You can also upload an image to use as the app icon by dragging an image file from your local machine to the “Upload your own icon” area.) Click **Save Icon**.



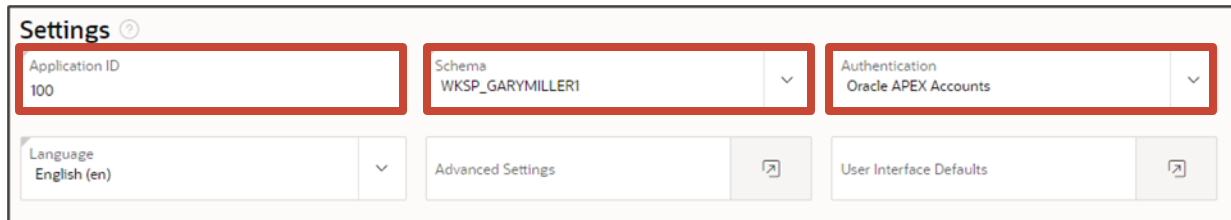
The screenshot shows the 'Choose Application Icon' dialog. At the top is a title bar with a close button. Below the title bar is a section titled 'Upload your own icon' with a plus sign and the text 'Select a file or drop one here.'. Below this is a section titled 'Or pick an icon' with a row of colored circles. The blue circle is highlighted with a red box. Below the circles is a grid of 32 icons. The icon showing three people is highlighted with a red box. At the bottom right, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Save Icon'. The 'Save Icon' button is highlighted with a red box.

3. Scroll down to confirm the **Settings** options:

Application ID: Do not change the application number. APEX creates an application number by default, and it is recommended that you do not change this number.

Schema: your schema workspace will be displayed by default.

Authentication: Oracle APEX Accounts



The screenshot shows the 'Settings' page in Oracle APEX. It features several configuration fields: 'Application ID' (100), 'Schema' (WKSP_GARYMILLER1), 'Authentication' (Oracle APEX Accounts), and 'Language' (English (en)). There are also links for 'Advanced Settings' and 'User Interface Defaults'.

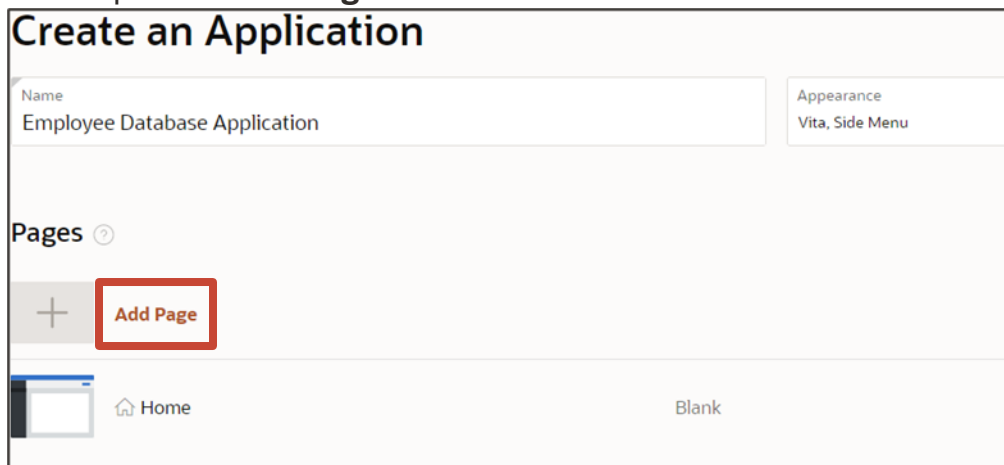
Note: Do **NOT** click Create Application at this time.

Step 5: Add a Page to the Application

A “Home” page is added automatically to your application, this will be the parent page for any other page that we add.

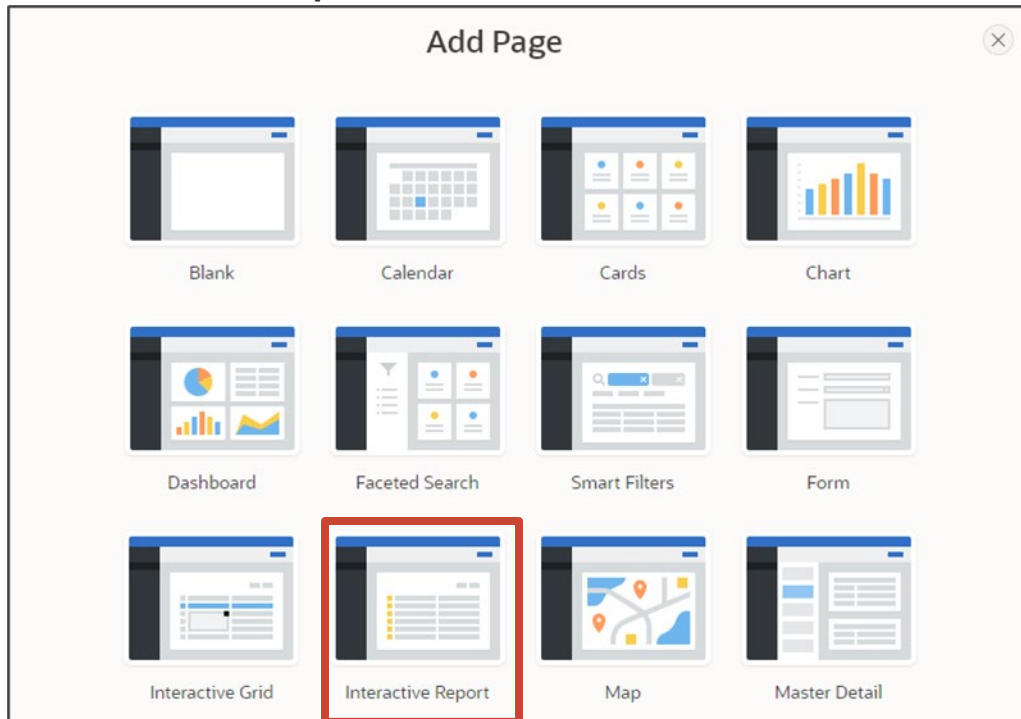
In this step, we will add a page that will display the data in the jobs table.

1. Scroll up to the **Add Page** link and click it.



The screenshot shows the 'Create an Application' page. It has a 'Name' field with 'Employee Database Application' and an 'Appearance' dropdown set to 'Vita, Side Menu'. Under the 'Pages' section, there is a red box around the 'Add Page' button. Below, there is a list of pages: 'Home' and 'Blank'.

2. Select **Interactive Report**.



3. In the **Add Report Page**, enter the following:

Page Name: Jobs

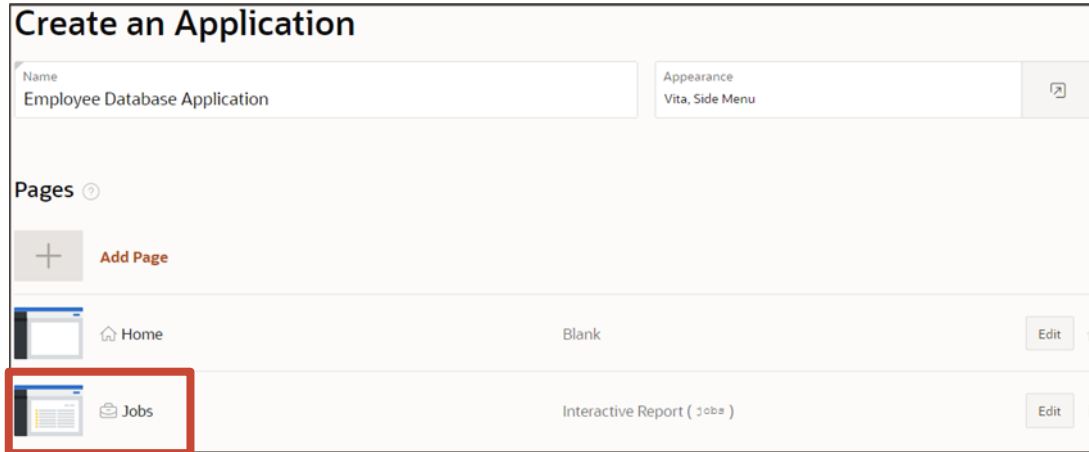
Table or View: Click the list icon, find the Jobs table, and click it.

Click **Set Icon** and select the icon you want to use for the page. (The example below uses the fa-briefcase icon).

Click **Add Page**.

The 'Add Report Page' form contains the following elements: a 'Page Name' text field with 'Jobs' entered; a 'Set Icon' button; a 'Table or View' section with three tabs: 'Table or View' (selected), 'SQL Query', and 'Interactive Report'; a 'Table or View' text field with 'JOBS' entered; a list icon button; an 'Include Form' checkbox; an 'Advanced' button; a back button; a help button; and a green 'Add Page' button at the bottom right.

4. The Jobs page should show in your application.



Create an Application

Name: Employee Database Application

Appearance: Vita, Side Menu

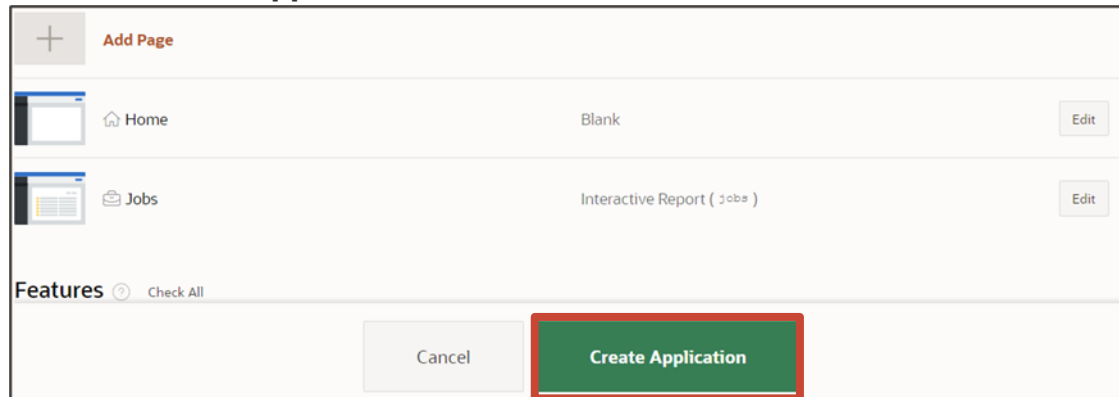
Pages

+ Add Page

Home Blank Edit

Jobs Interactive Report (jobs) Edit

5. Click the **Create Application** button.



+ Add Page

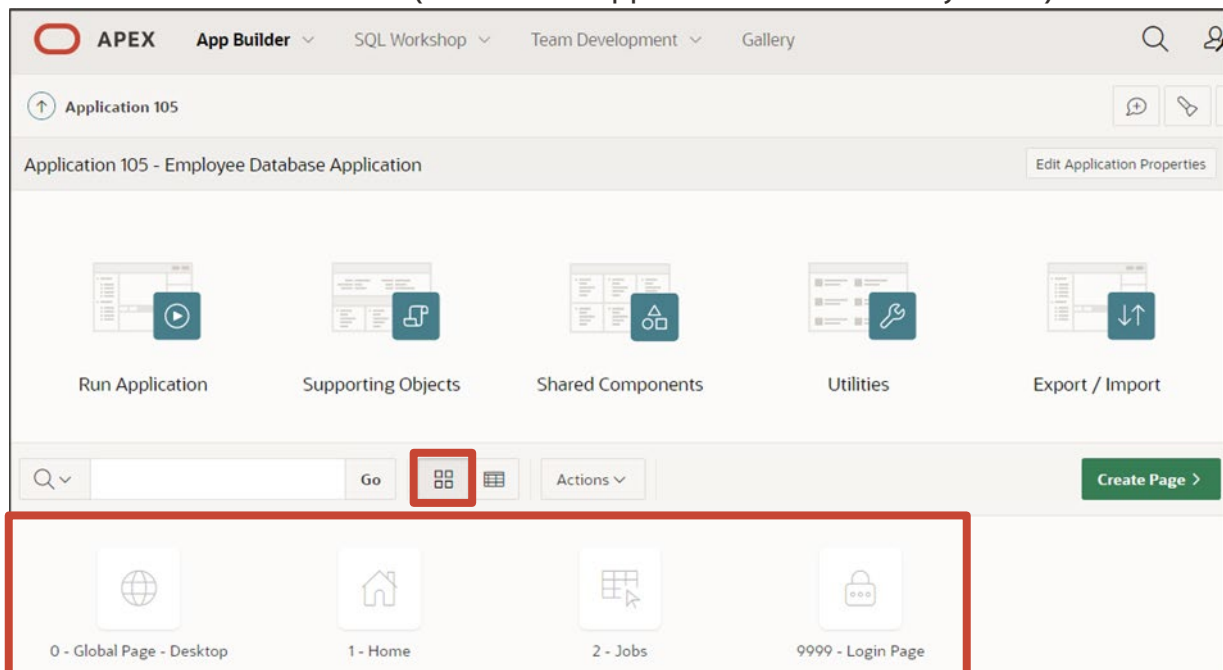
Home Blank Edit

Jobs Interactive Report (jobs) Edit

Features Check All

Cancel **Create Application**

6. You will see your application and the pages it contains. If your pages are displayed as a list, click the **view icons** button. (**Note:** The “Application” number may differ)



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Application 105

Application 105 - Employee Database Application Edit Application Properties

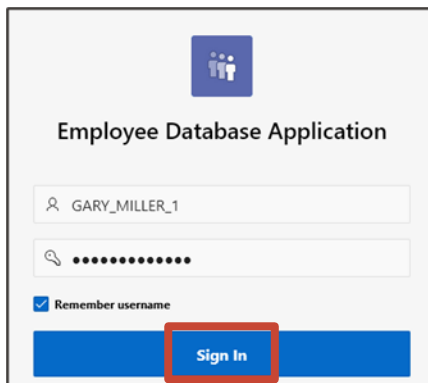
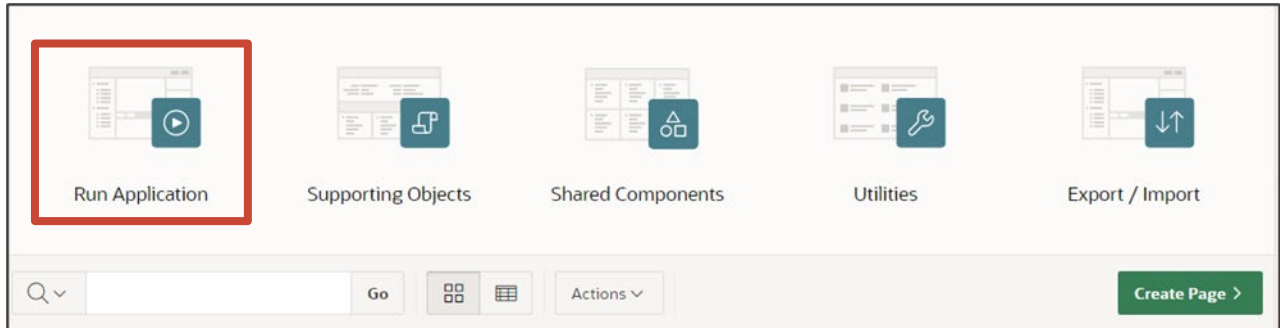
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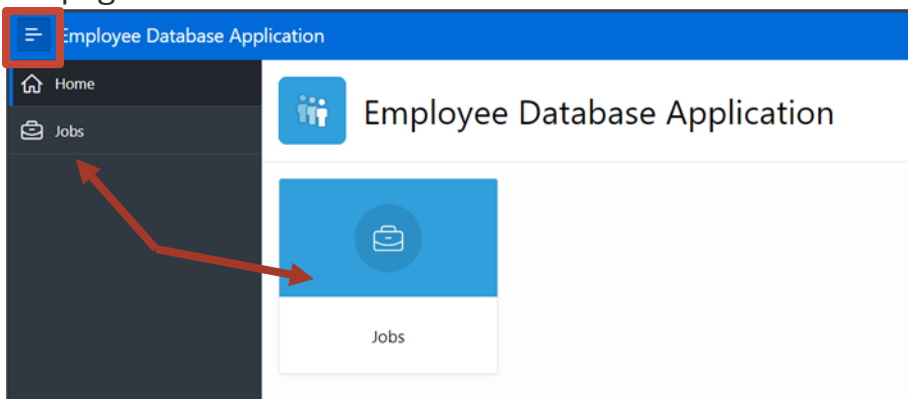
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Step 6: Run and Test Application

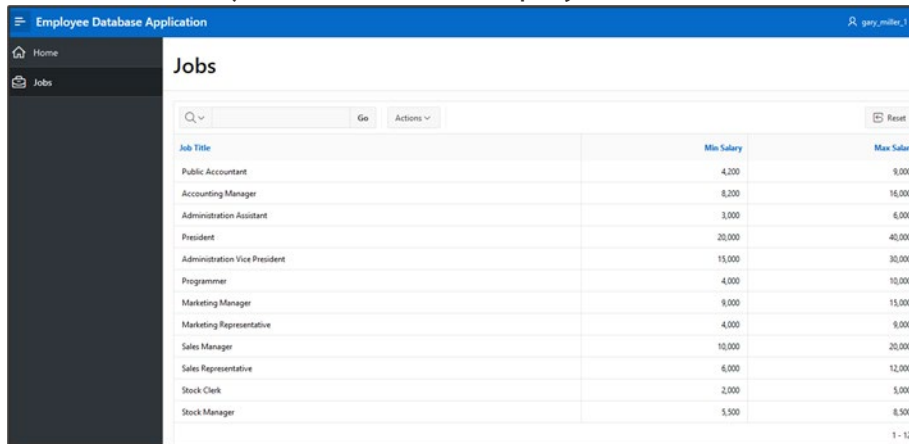
1. Click the **Run Application** icon. Your application will open in a new browser window (or tab). Login using your APEX username and password.



2. Once the app is displayed in the browser, click the **Navigation Menu** icon to expand the navigation pane, then select the **Jobs** page from the navigation pane on the left or by clicking the page icon.



- The data in the jobs table will be displayed.



The screenshot shows the 'Employee Database Application' interface. On the left is a navigation menu with 'Home' and 'Jobs' options. The main area is titled 'Jobs' and contains a table with columns 'Job Title', 'Min Salary', and 'Max Salary'. The table lists various job roles and their corresponding salary ranges. A search bar and 'Go' button are at the top of the table area, along with an 'Actions' dropdown and a 'Reset' button. The table has 12 rows of data.

Job Title	Min Salary	Max Salary
Public Accountant	4,200	9,000
Accounting Manager	8,200	16,000
Administration Assistant	3,000	6,000
President	20,000	40,000
Administration Vice President	15,000	30,000
Programmer	4,000	10,000
Marketing Manager	9,000	15,000
Marketing Representative	4,000	9,000
Sales Manager	10,000	20,000
Sales Representative	6,000	12,000
Stock Clerk	2,000	5,000
Stock Manager	5,500	8,500

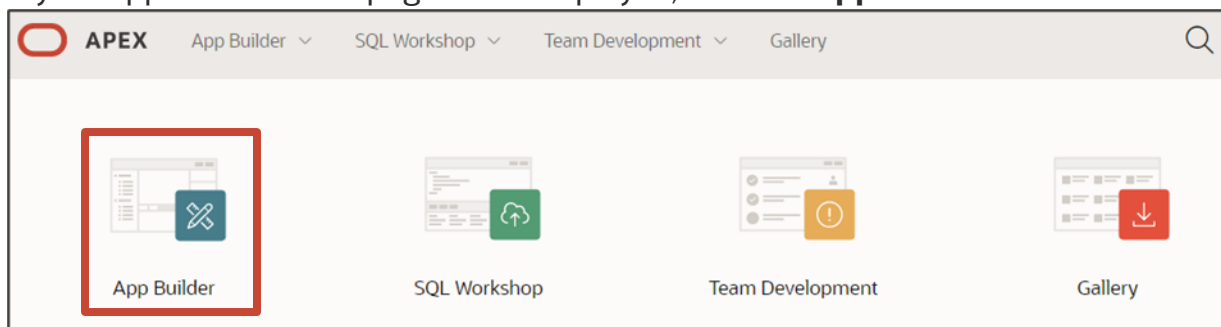
- Close the browser tab (or window) showing the running application.

Part 2: Add an Employees Page Using the Create Page Wizard

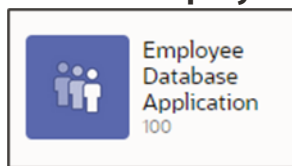
Step 1: Edit the Application and Start the Page Wizard

In APEX, you can access your application at any time by clicking the App Builder tab or icon to return to Application Builder home page.

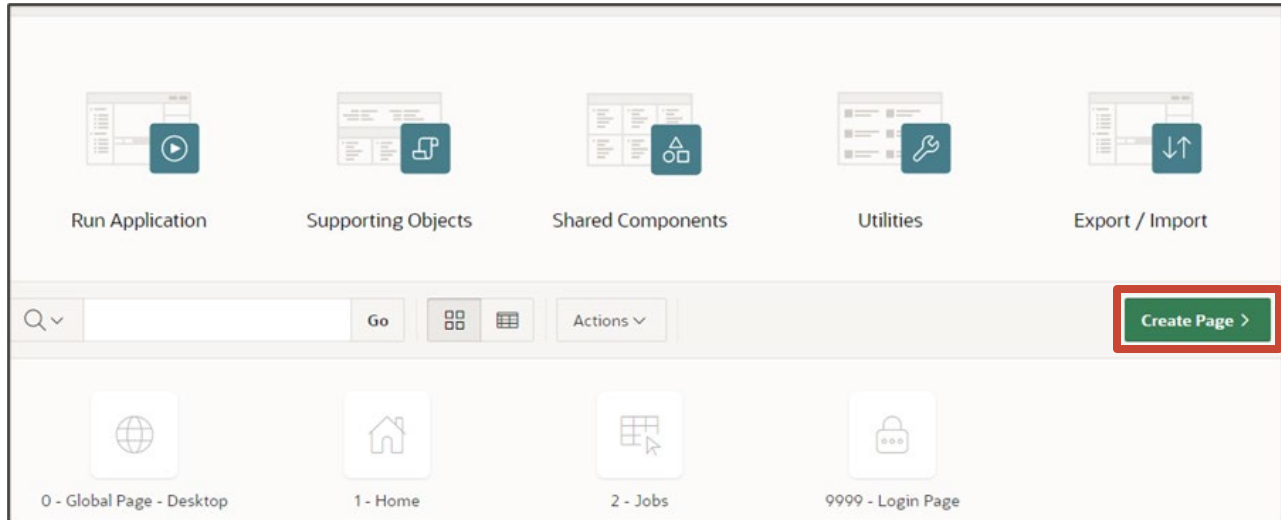
- If your application home page is not displayed, click the **App Builder** icon.



- Click the **Employee Database Application** icon.

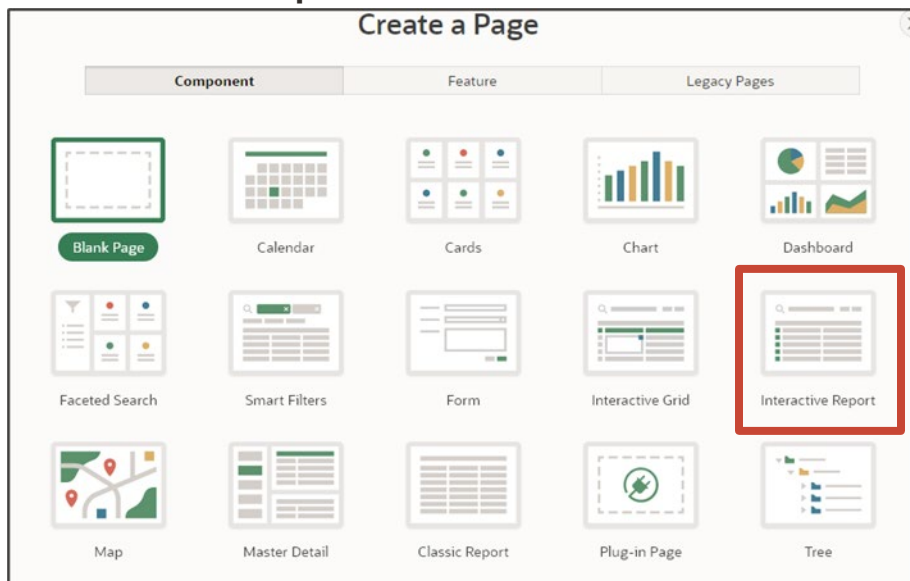


- From the application home page, click the **Create Page >** button to start the Page Wizard.



Step 2: Edit Select Page Type

- Click **Interactive Report**.



2. Enter the following properties for the Page Definition:

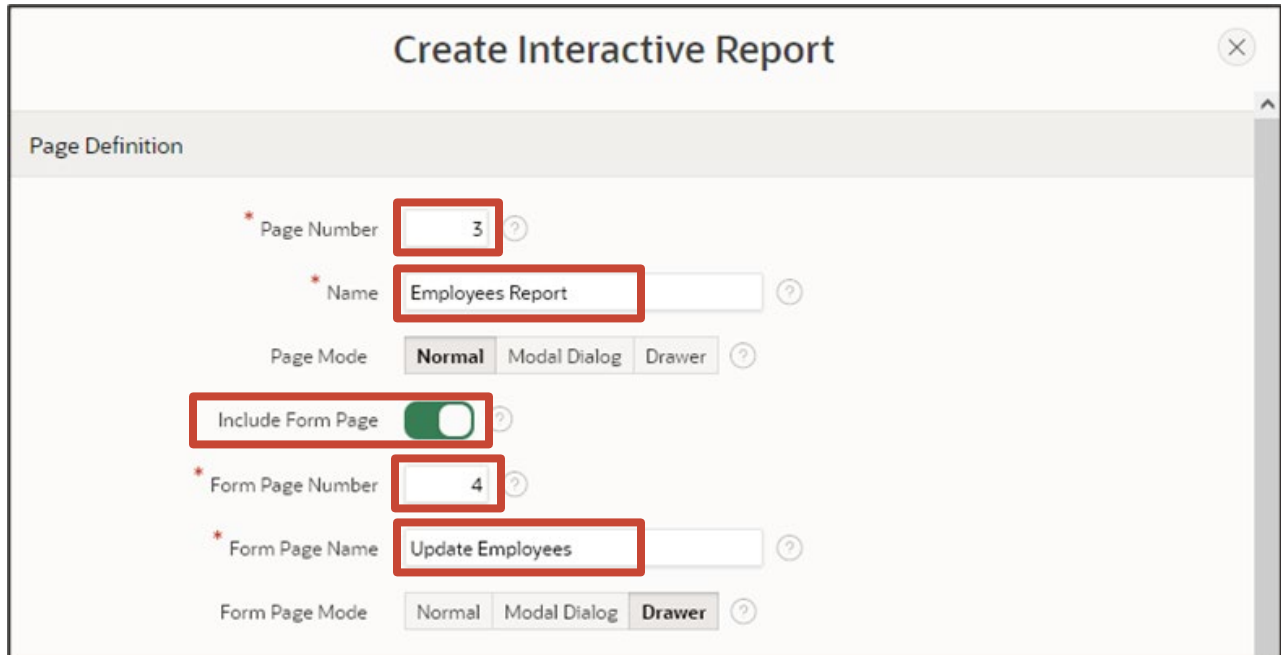
Page Number: 3

Page Name: Employees Report

Include Form Page: Move the slider to make it green (on position)

Form Page Number: 4

Form Page Name: Update Employees



The screenshot shows the 'Create Interactive Report' dialog box with the 'Page Definition' tab selected. The following fields are highlighted with red boxes:

- Page Number:** 3
- Name:** Employees Report
- Page Mode:** Normal (selected), Modal Dialog, Drawer
- Include Form Page:** Toggle switch is turned on (green)
- Form Page Number:** 4
- Form Page Name:** Update Employees
- Form Page Mode:** Normal, Modal Dialog, Drawer (selected)

Step 3: Select Data Source

1. Scroll down to the **Data Source** properties and enter the following properties:

Data Source: Local Database

Source Type: Table

Table / View Name: Click the list icon and select the **EMPLOYEES** table

Then expand the **Navigation** properties.

The screenshot shows the Oracle APEX Properties window for a form page named 'Update Employees'. The 'Form Page Mode' is set to 'Drawer'. The 'Data Source' section is expanded, showing the following properties:

- Data Source:** Local Database (highlighted with a red box)
- Source Type:** Table (highlighted with a red box)
- Table / View Owner:** WKSP_GARYMILLER1
- Table / View Name:** EMPLOYEES (highlighted with a red box)

A list icon next to the 'EMPLOYEES' text is also highlighted with a red box. The 'Navigation' section is expanded, indicated by a red box around the play button icon.

Step 4: Add Navigation

1. Scroll down to the Navigation properties and check the following properties are selected:

Use Breadcrumb: Move the slider to make it green (on position)

Breadcrumb Parent Entry: empty

Use Navigation: Move the slider to make it green (on position)

Navigation Preference: "Create a new entry"

For Parent Navigation Menu Entry: - No Parent Selected -

You can select a page icon by clicking the **Select Icon** button

Click the **Next** button.

Table / View Name: EMPLOYEES

Navigation

Use Breadcrumb ☒

Breadcrumb Parent Entry

Use Navigation ☒

Navigation Preference: Create a new entry

Parent Navigation Menu Entry: - No parent selected -

Icon: fa-user

< Cancel Next >

Step 5: Select Primary Key

1. Check the following properties:

Primary Key Column 1: EMPLOYEE_ID (Number)

Click **Create Page**.

Create Interactive Report

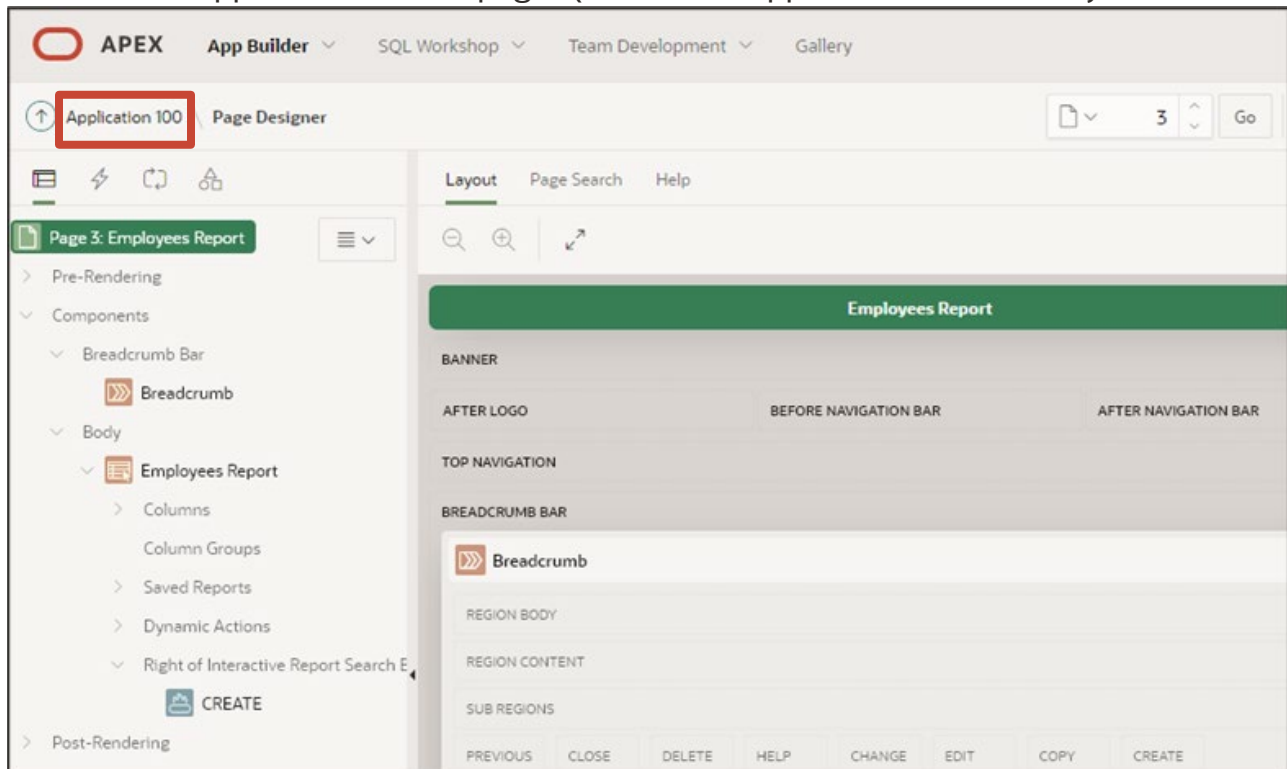
Primary Key

* Primary Key Column 1: EMPLOYEE_ID (Number)

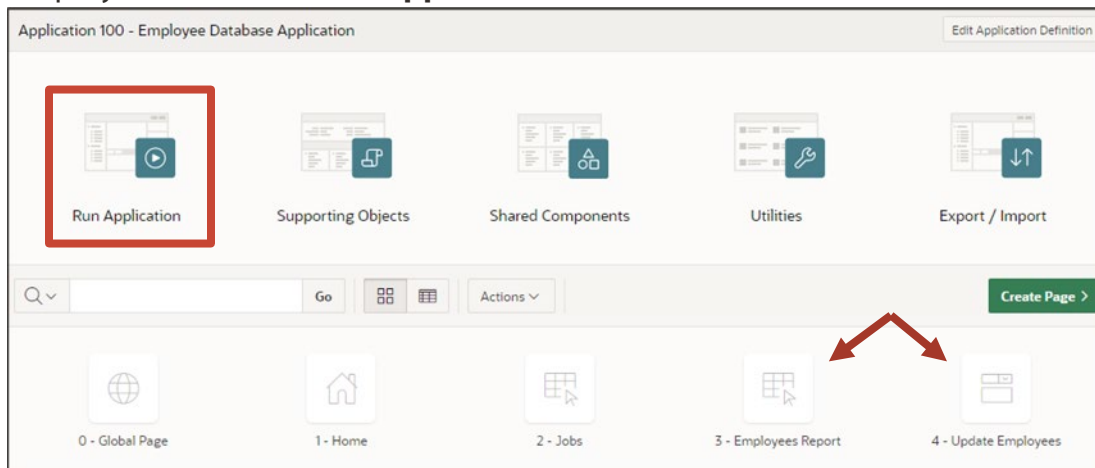
Primary Key Column 2: - Select -

< Cancel Create Page

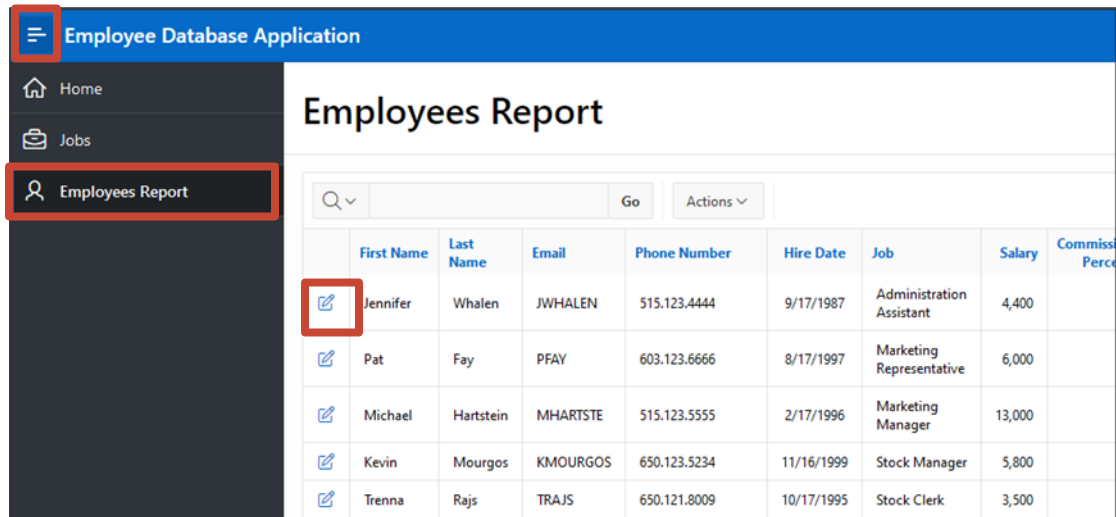
2. The Employees Report will open in the **Page Designer** view. Click the **Application Number** to return to the application's home page. (**Note:** Your application number may look different.)








3. You will see that two new pages have been added to your app, Employees report and Update Employees. Click the **Run Application** icon.



4. Login with your APEX username and password if prompted, click **Employees Report** from the **Navigation Menu**, and you will see all employees displayed. Click the edit icon in a row of data.



	First Name	Last Name	Email	Phone Number	Hire Date	Job	Salary	Commission Percentage
	Jennifer	Whalen	JWHALEN	515.123.4444	9/17/1987	Administration Assistant	4,400	
	Pat	Fay	PFAY	603.123.6666	8/17/1997	Marketing Representative	6,000	
	Michael	Hartstein	MHARTSTE	515.123.5555	2/17/1996	Marketing Manager	13,000	
	Kevin	Mourgos	KMOURGOS	650.123.5234	11/16/1999	Stock Manager	5,800	
	Trenna	Rajs	TRAJS	650.121.8009	10/17/1995	Stock Clerk	3,500	

5. The Update Employees Form is displayed, which allows employee details to be edited. Do not attempt to modify or insert records at this time. Close the Update Employee form by either clicking one of the pages in the Navigation Menu on the left of the window or scroll down the Update Employee form and click the Cancel button.

Part 3: Include Lists of Values on the Update Employees page

The employees table has three foreign key columns. In order to successfully insert or update a record, valid values must be used for these columns that already exist in the parent tables. Using values that are not present in the parent tables will result in an integrity constraint error when attempting to insert or update a record.

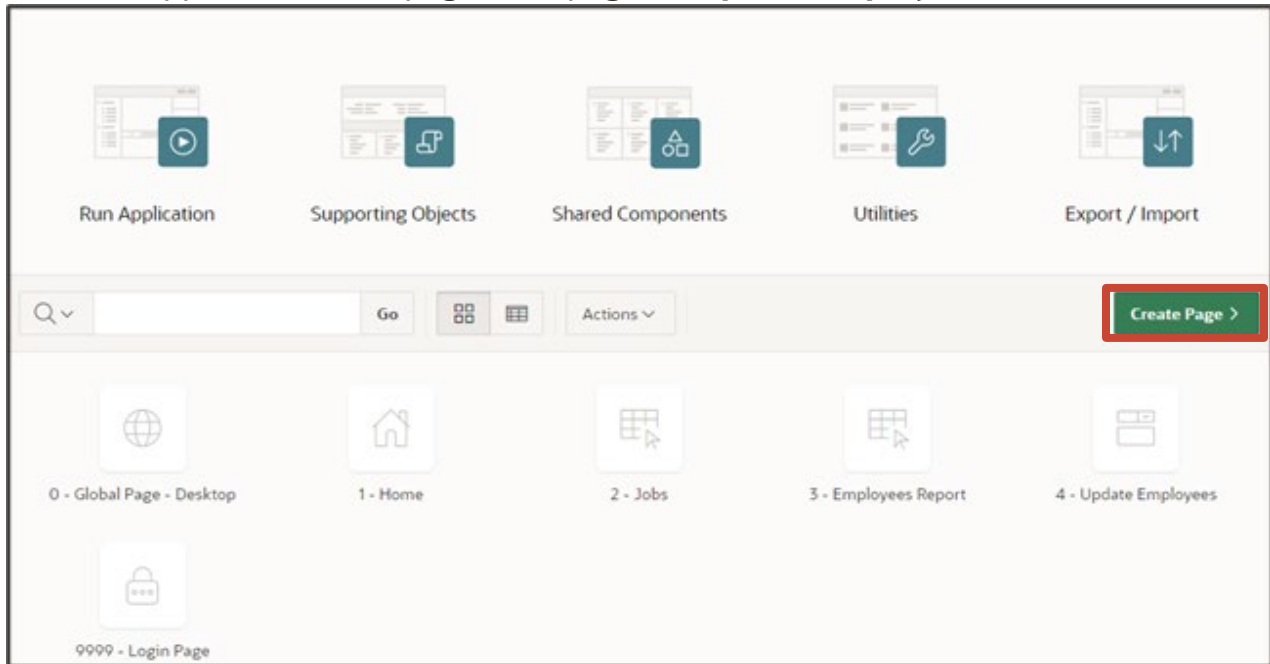
By default, the **Job Id**, **Manager Id**, and **Department Id** fields are of type **Select List**, which use an automatically created **List of Values** to allow the user to select existing values from the parent table.

The **Manager Id, Select List**, picks up all employees regardless of whether they are manager or not, and only displays the first name.

To address this, we can create a **List of Values** (LOVs) manually, that forces the user to select only valid values, employees that are managers. We can also display both first and last name.

Step 1: Open the Update Employees Page for Editing

1. From the application home page, Click page **4 – Update Employees**.

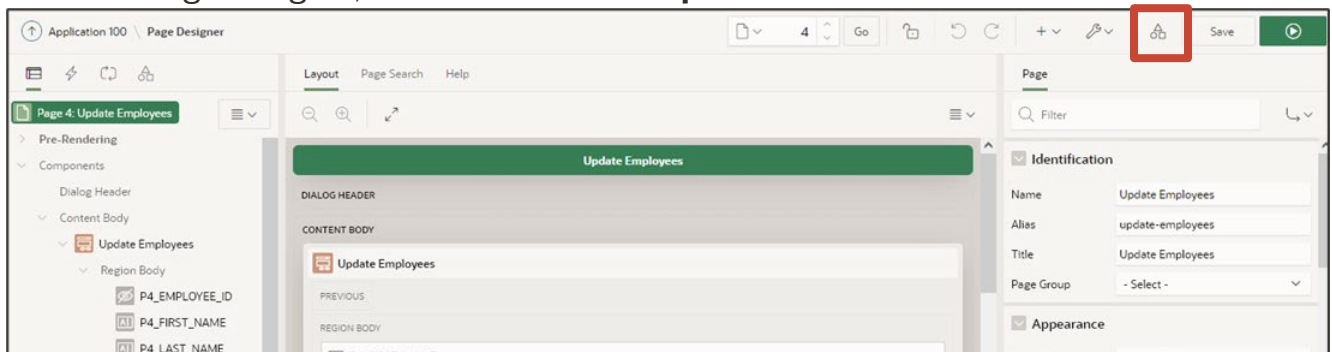


2. The page will open in **Page Designer** view.

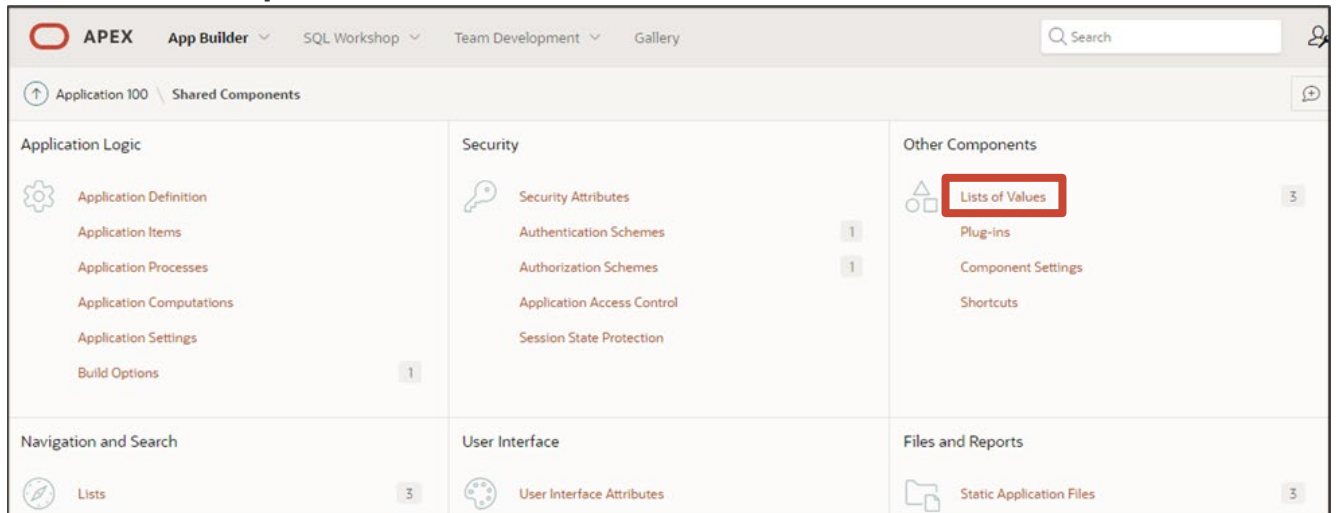
Step 2: Create a Shared List of Values

We will now create a new **List of Values** (LOV) to use for the `manager_id` field. Later in this Lab, we will create a page to view and modify the `departments` table, which also has a `manager_id` column. To save duplication of work, we can create the LOV as a **Shared Component**, and access it from both pages.

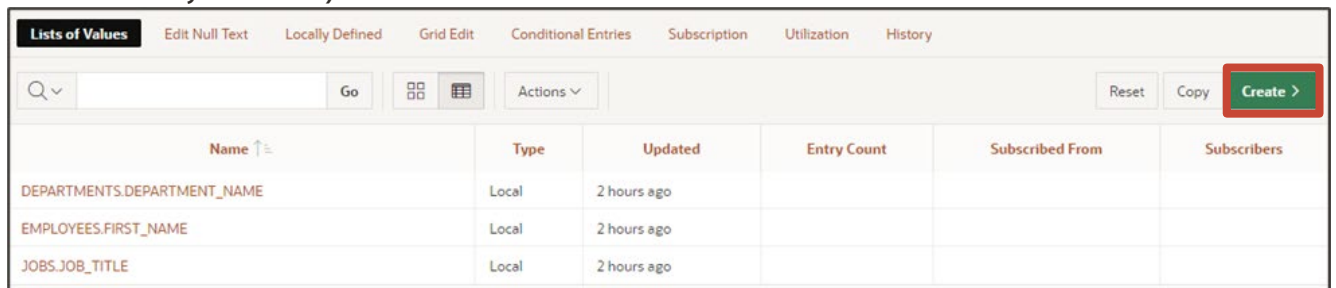
1. From the Page Designer, click the **Shared Components** icon.



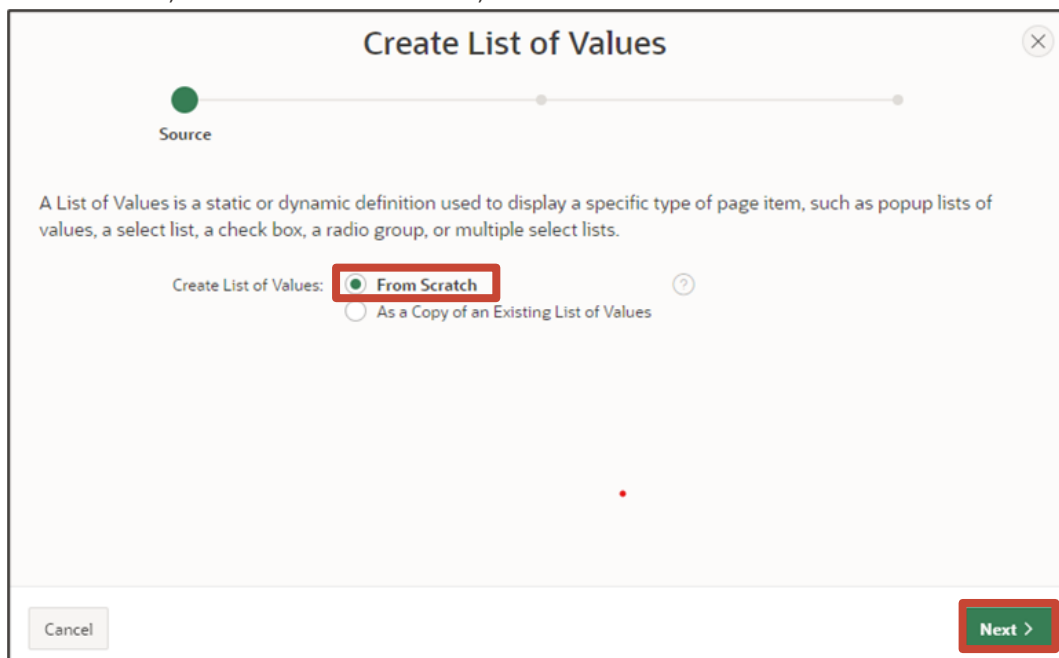
2. In the **Other Components** section, click **Lists of Values**.



3. To create an LOV manually, click the **Create** button. (**Note:** The 3 existing LOVs that were automatically created.)



4. For **Source**, select **From Scratch**, then click **Next**.



5. Enter the following:

Name: get_managers

Type: Dynamic

Click Next.

Create List of Values

Static lists are based on predefined pairs of display and return values. Dynamic lists are based on a dynamic data source of either Local Database, REST Enabled SQL, or REST Data Source.

* Name: ?

Type: ☒ Dynamic ?
☐ Static

< Cancel **Next >**

6. The SQL statement for this LOV has two functions to complete. Firstly, we want to display both the manager first name and last name. As these are two different columns in the table, we need to use the concatenation operator (two “pipe” symbols ||) to display the manager full name as if it were a single column.

We also need to add a `WHERE` clause as, only employees with a job id of `AD_PRES`, `AD_VP` or employees with the text `_MAN` or `_MGR` in their `job_id` can be managers.

For **Source Type**: Select **SQL Query**

Enter the following code in the **Code Editor**:

```
SELECT first_name || ' ' || last_name, employee_id
FROM employees
WHERE job_id IN ('AD_PRES', 'AD_VP')
OR job_id LIKE '%_MAN'
OR job_id LIKE '%_MGR';
```

7. Once the statement is entered, click the **Validation** icon (a tick inside a circle). Once you receive a validation successful message, click **Next**.

Create List of Values

Progress: 1. Data Source, 2. Source Type, 3. List of Values Source, 4. Column Mappings

Data Source: Local Database | REST Enabled SQL Service | REST Data Source

Source Type: ☒ SQL Query | ☐ Table | ☐ Function Returning SQL

* Enter a SQL SELECT statement

```
1 SELECT first_name || ' ' || last_name, employee_id
2 FROM employees
3 WHERE job_id IN ('AD_PRES', 'AD_VP')
4 OR job_id LIKE '%_MAN'
5 OR job_id LIKE '%_MGR';
6
```

> SQL Query Example

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8. Accept the values for Column Mappings and click Create.

Create List of Values

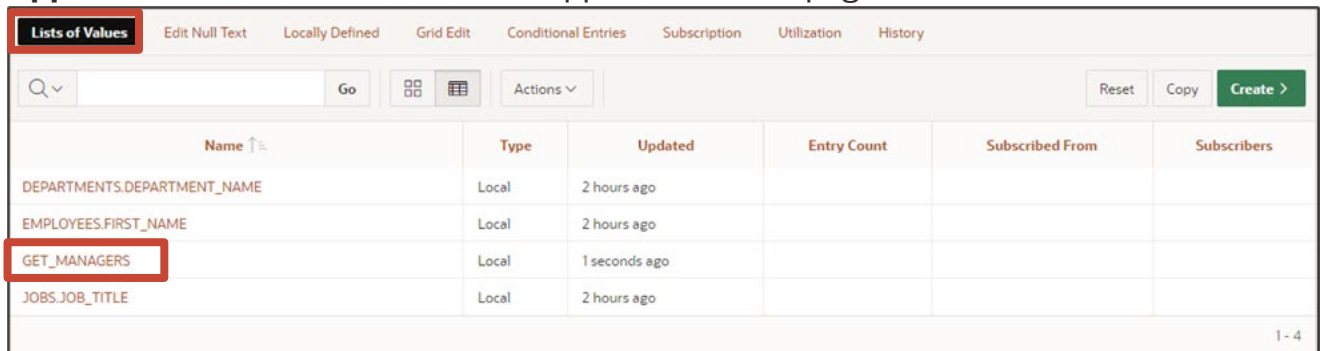
Progress: 1. Data Source, 2. Source Type, 3. List of Values Source, 4. Column Mappings

* Return Column: EMPLOYEE_ID

Display Column: FIRST_NAME||''||LAST_NAME

< Cancel **Create**

- The **Lists of Values** will be displayed on the Shared Component's LOV page. Click the **Application Number** to return to the application home page.



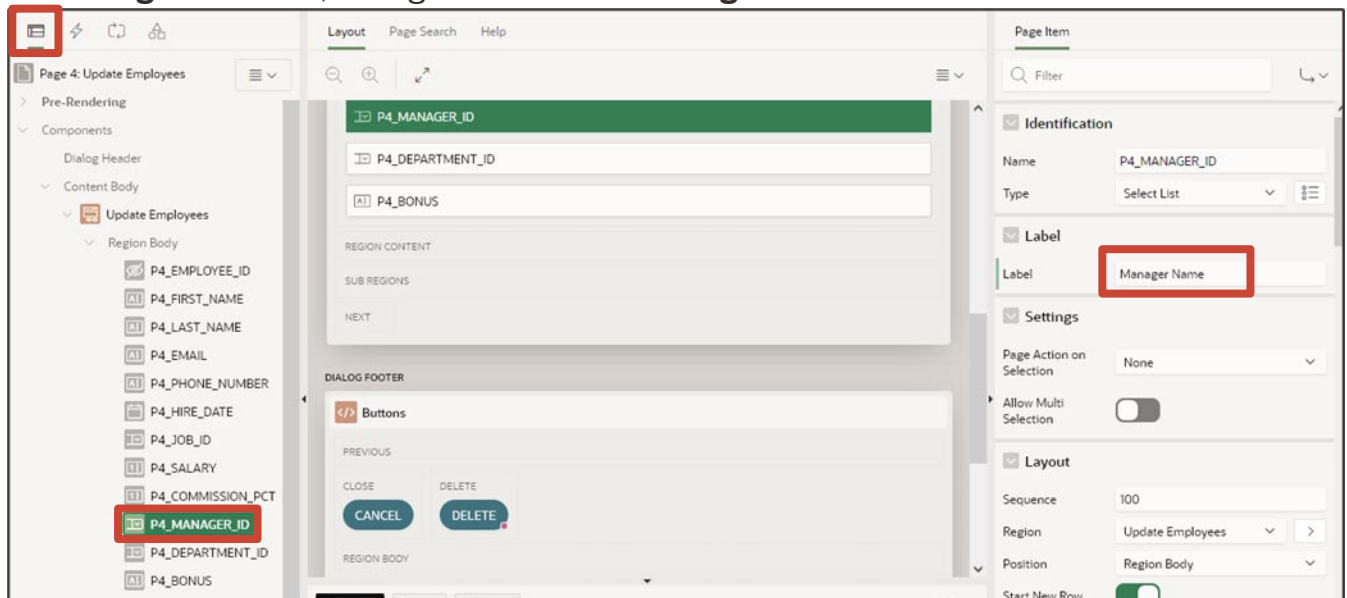
Name	Type	Updated	Entry Count	Subscribed From	Subscribers
DEPARTMENTS.DEPARTMENT_NAME	Local	2 hours ago			
EMPLOYEES.FIRST_NAME	Local	2 hours ago			
GET_MANAGERS	Local	1 seconds ago			
JOBS.JOB_TITLE	Local	2 hours ago			

Step 3: Use the Shared List of Values in the Update Employees Page

From the application home page, click page **4 – Update Employees** to open the page in Page Designer.

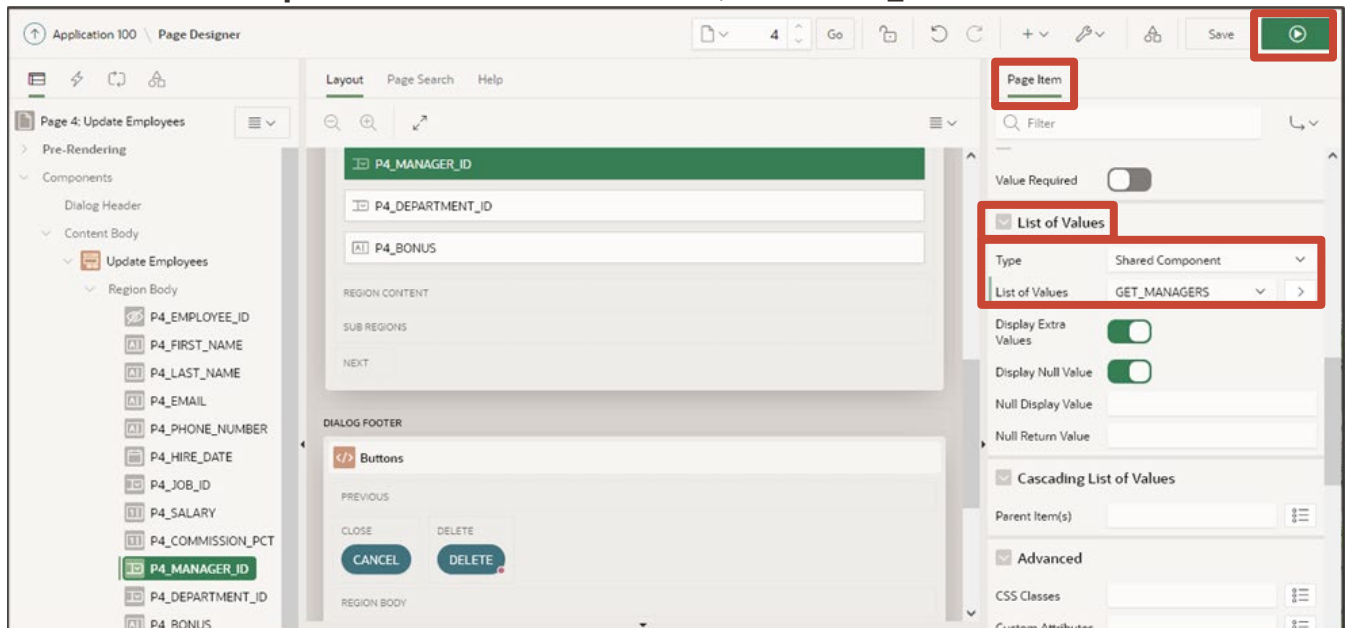
- From the Rendering tab, select **P4_MANAGER_ID** by left mouse clicking it. (**Note:** If the items are not listed, you may need to expand **Components**, **Content Body** and **Region Body**).

In the **Page Item** area, change the **Label** to **Manager Name**.



The screenshot shows the Oracle APEX Page Designer interface for 'Page 4: Update Employees'. In the left-hand 'Components' pane, the 'Region Body' is expanded, and 'P4_MANAGER_ID' is selected and highlighted with a red box. In the center workspace, the 'P4_MANAGER_ID' item is visible in the 'REGION CONTENT' area. On the right, the 'Page Item' properties panel is open, showing the 'Label' property set to 'Manager Name', which is also highlighted with a red box.

- Continuing in the **Page Item** area, scroll down to see the **List of Values** settings. For **Type**, select **Shared Component** and for **List of Values**, select **GET MANAGERS**. Click **Save**.



- Run the application to test. If you have coded your SQL statement correctly, the LOV for **Manager Name** should show only the seven employees that can be managers. (**Note:** Do not attempt to insert a new record at this time.)



Part 4: Use a Sequence to Manage Primary Key Values on the Update Employees Page

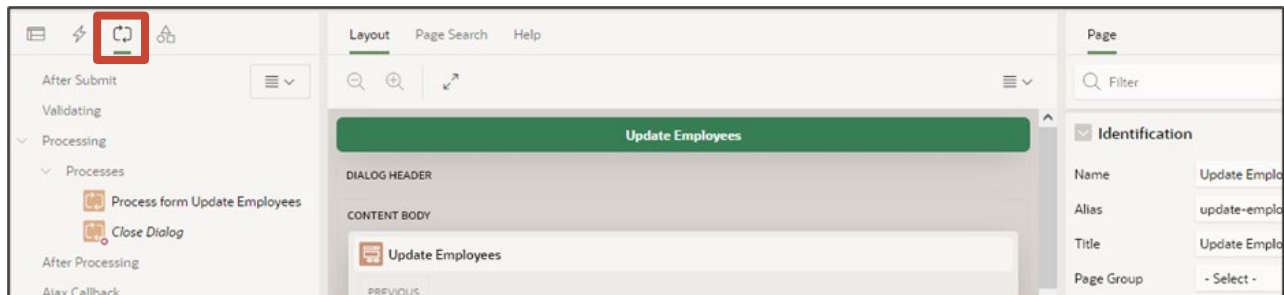
If you tried to insert a new employee on the **Update Employee** page, you would receive an error message. The `employee_id` item is hidden by default, so the user cannot enter a value for the primary key of the table. One solution would be to edit the page and change the `employee_id` item's type from **Hidden** to **Number Field**, and users could then enter a value for the `employee_id`.

It is, however, unrealistic to expect end users to know what value to use for the primary key, especially if the table is large and has many rows.

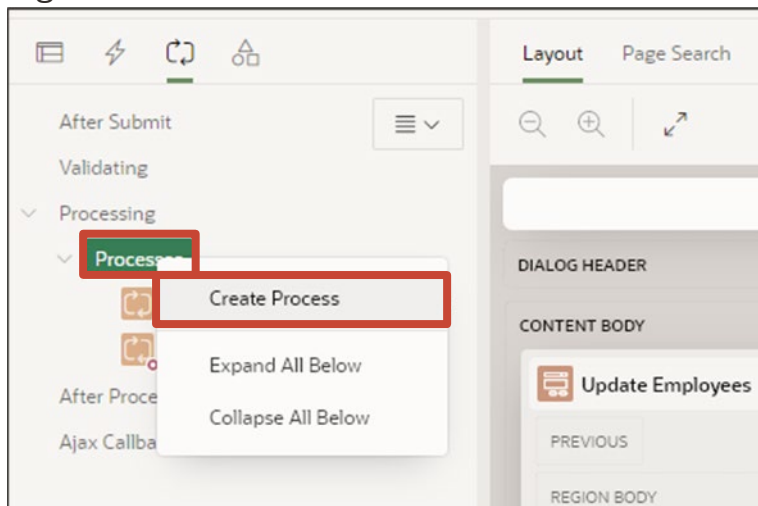
We can create a process that will use a sequence, `employees_seq` (which was created in your schema when you ran the script to create and populate the tables) to automatically add values for the `employee_id` column in the table.

Step 1: Create a New Process

1. Open page **4 - Update Employees** in Page Designer view as before and click the **Processing** tab.



2. Right click on **Processes** and select **Create Process**.



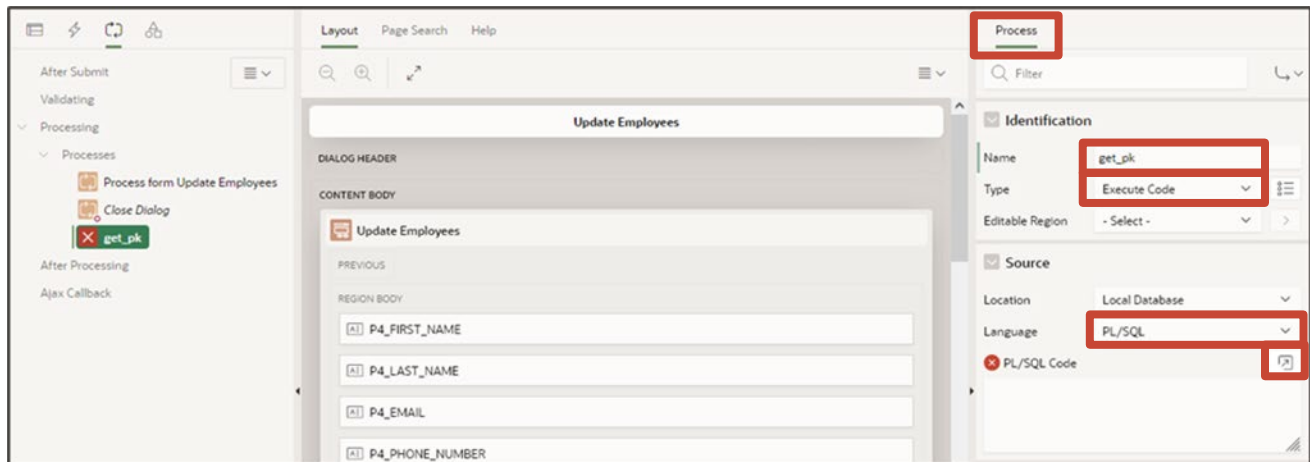
Step 2: Enter Code for the Process

1. Enter the following for **Process**. In the **Identification** area, enter:

Name: get_pk

Type: Execute Code

In the **Source** area, set **Language** to PL/SQL, then click the **Code editor** icon.



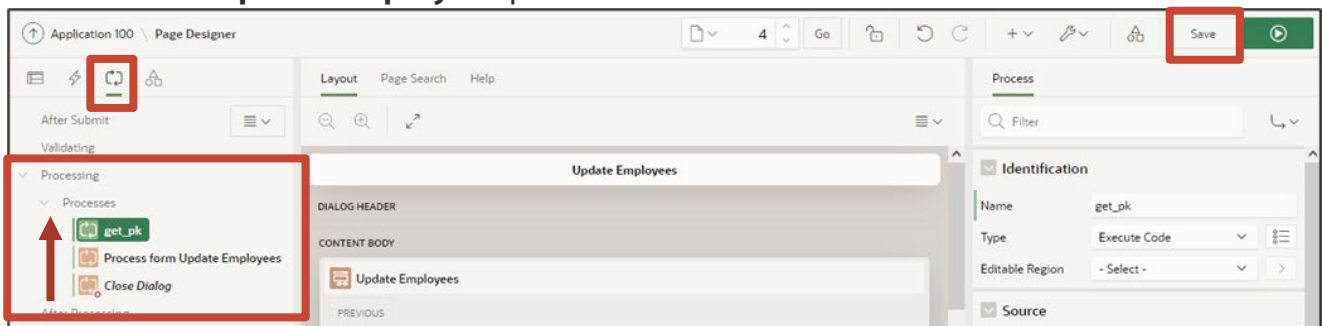
2. Enter the following code in the code editor:

```
BEGIN
    IF :P4_EMPLOYEE_ID IS NULL
    THEN
        SELECT employees_seq.NEXTVAL
        INTO :P4_employee_id
        FROM dual;
    END IF;
END;
```


3. Once the statement is entered, click the **Validation** icon (a tick inside a circle), and if you receive a validation successful message, click **OK**.



4. The new `get_pk` process must run before the other process to ensure that `employee_id` has a value before the insert is processed.
5. In the processes tab, left mouse click and drag the new `get_pk` process so that it is above the **Process form Update Employees** process. Click **Save**.



Step 3: Run and Test

1. Run the application to test. Open the **Employees Report** and click the **Create** button. Enter values for a new employee and click **Create**.

The screenshot shows the 'Employee Database Application' interface. On the left, a sidebar menu has 'Employees Report' highlighted with a red box. The main area displays the 'Employees Report' table. Overlaid on this is a 'Update Employees' form, also outlined in red. The form contains fields for First Name (Test), Last Name (Employee), Email (temp@mymail.com), Phone Number, Hire Date (1/11/2023), Job Id (Sales Representative), Salary, Commission Pct, Manager Name (Neena Kochhar), Department Id (Sales), and Bonus. A red 'Create' button is at the bottom right of the form.

First Name	Last Name	Email	Phone Number
Jennifer	Whalen	JWHALEN	515.123.4567
Pat	Fay	PFAY	603.123.6789
Michael	Hartstein	MHARTSTE	515.123.5678
Kevin	Mourgos	KMOURGOS	650.123.5678
Trenna	Rajs	TRAJS	650.121.8009
Curtis	Davies	CDAVIES	650.121.2987
Randall	Matos	RMATOS	650.121.2987
Peter	Vargas	PVARGAS	650.121.2987
Alexander	Hunold	AHUNOLD	590.423.4567
Bruce	Ernst	BERNST	590.423.4567
Diana	Lorentz	DLORENTZ	590.423.5567
Eleni	Zlotkey	EZLOTKEY	011.44.1344.429018
Ellen	Abel	EABEL	011.44.1644.429267
Jonathon	Taylor	JTAYLOR	011.44.1644.429267
Neena	Kochhar	NKOCHHAR	515.123.4567
Lex	De Haan	LDEHAAN	515.123.4567
Steven	King	SKING	515.123.4567

2. You should see the new employee included in the **Employees Report** page.

The screenshot shows the 'Employee Database Application' interface. The sidebar menu has 'Employees Report' selected. The main area displays the 'Employees Report' table. The new employee 'Test Employee' is highlighted with a red box in the table.

First Name	Last Name	Email	Phone Number	Hire Date	Job	Salary	Commission Percent	Manager	Department
Peter	Vargas	PVARGAS	650.121.2004	7/9/1998	Stock Clerk	2,500		Kevin	Shipping
Alexander	Hunold	AHUNOLD	590.423.4567	1/3/1990	Programmer	9,000		Lex	IT
Bruce	Ernst	BERNST	590.423.4568	5/21/1991	Programmer	6,000		Alexander	IT
Diana	Lorentz	DLORENTZ	590.423.5567	2/7/1999	Programmer	4,200		Alexander	IT
Eleni	Zlotkey	EZLOTKEY	011.44.1344.429018	1/29/2000	Sales Manager	10,500	0.20	Steven	Sales
Test	Employee	temp@mymail.com		1/11/2023	Sales Representative			Neena	Sales
Ellen	Abel	EABEL	011.44.1644.429267	5/11/1996	Sales Representative	11,000	0.30	Eleni	Sales

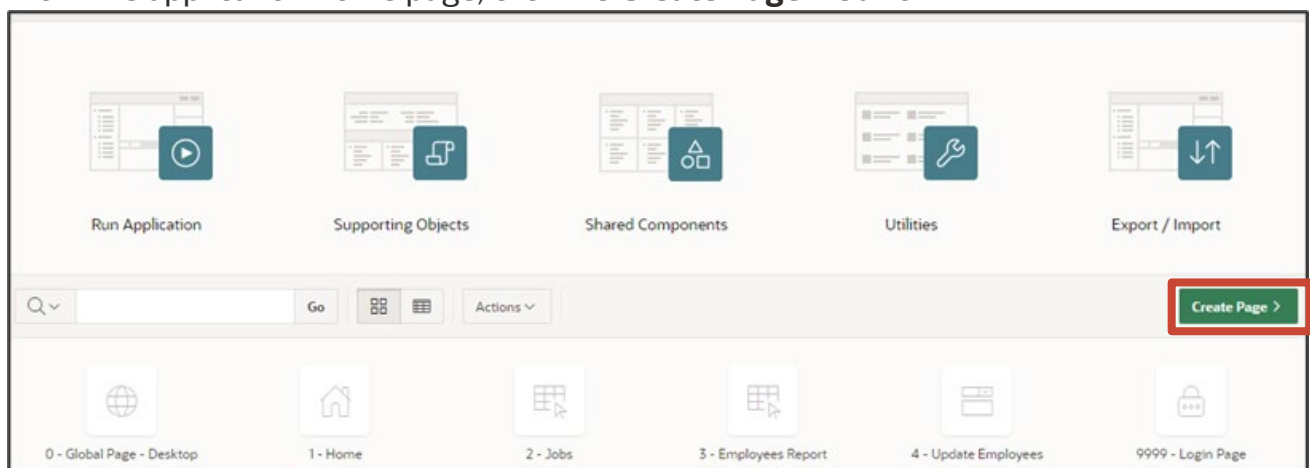
Part 5: Add a New Page to View Departments and their Employees

In this section, we will add a **Master Detail** form, which will display departments, and the employees that are assigned to each department on a separate page. The page will also allow the user to update, add and delete departments.

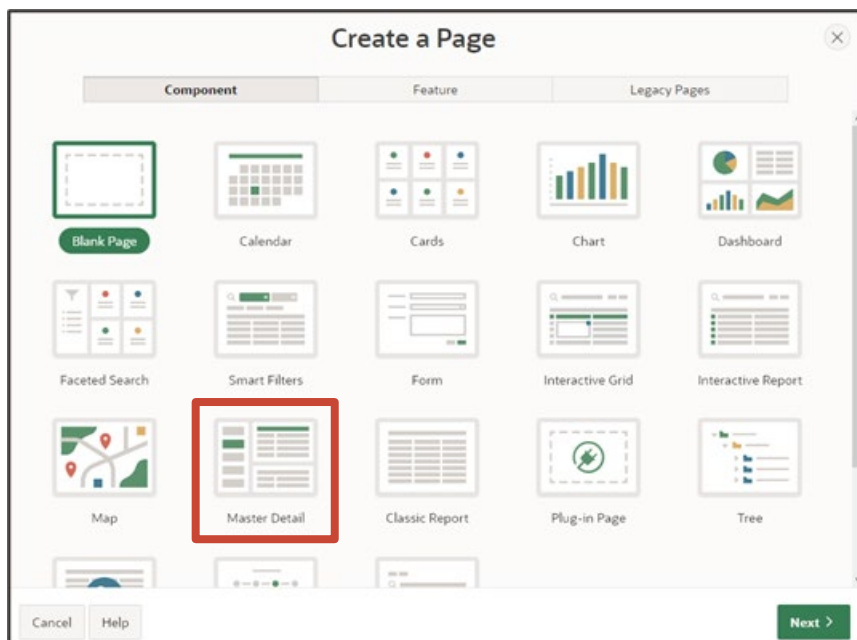
Master Detail refers to the relationship between the two tables. The `employees` table has a foreign key relationship with the `departments` table, so the `departments` table is known as the **master** table, and `employees` as the **detail** table.

Step 1: Run the Page Wizard to Create the New Forms

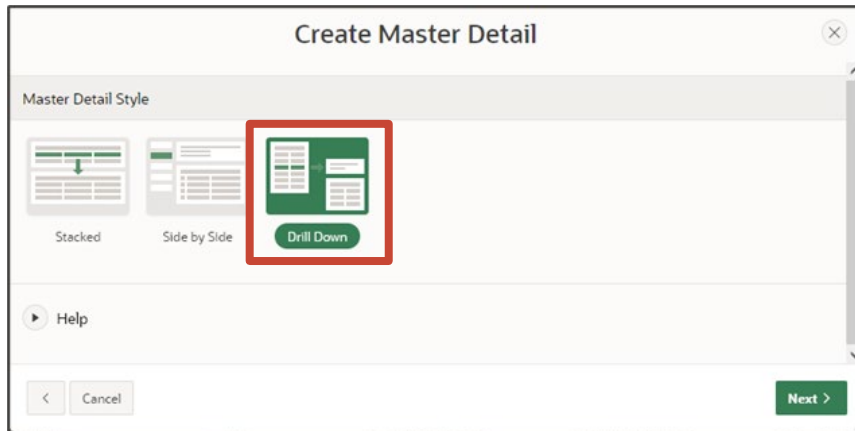
1. From the application home page, click the **Create Page >** button.



2. Select **Master Detail**.



3. Select **Drill Down**, click **Next**.



4. For **Master Page Definition**, enter:

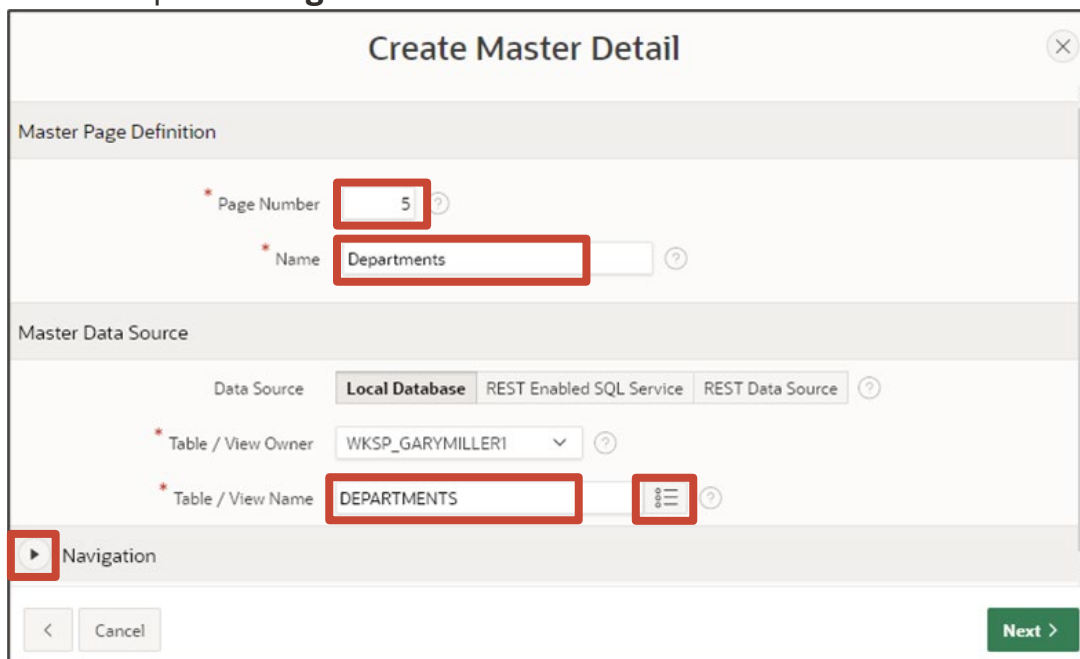
Page Number: 5

Name: Departments

For **Master Data Source**,

Table / View Name: Click the list icon and select DEPARTMENTS

Click to expand **Navigation**.



Step 2: Apply Navigation Menu Settings

1. Scroll down to the **Navigation** properties and check the following properties are selected:

Use Breadcrumb: Move the slider to make it green (on position)

Breadcrumb Parent Entry: empty

Use Navigation: Move the slider to make it green (on position)

Navigation Preference: Create a new entry

Parent Navigation Menu Entry: - No Parent Selected -

You can select a page **icon** by clicking the **Select Icon** button.

Click the **Next** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Master Detail' dialog box with the 'Table / View Name' set to 'DEPARTMENTS'. The 'Navigation' section is expanded, and several settings are highlighted with red boxes:

- Use Breadcrumb:** A toggle switch is turned on (green).
- Breadcrumb Parent Entry:** An empty text input field.
- Use Navigation:** A toggle switch is turned on (green).
- Navigation Preference:** A dropdown menu set to 'Create a new entry'.
- Parent Navigation Menu Entry:** A dropdown menu set to '- No parent selected -'.
- Icon:** A text input field containing 'fa-layout-header-sidebar-left' and a 'Select Icon' button (a square icon with a plus sign).

At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: a back arrow, a 'Cancel' button, and a 'Next >' button, which is highlighted with a red box.

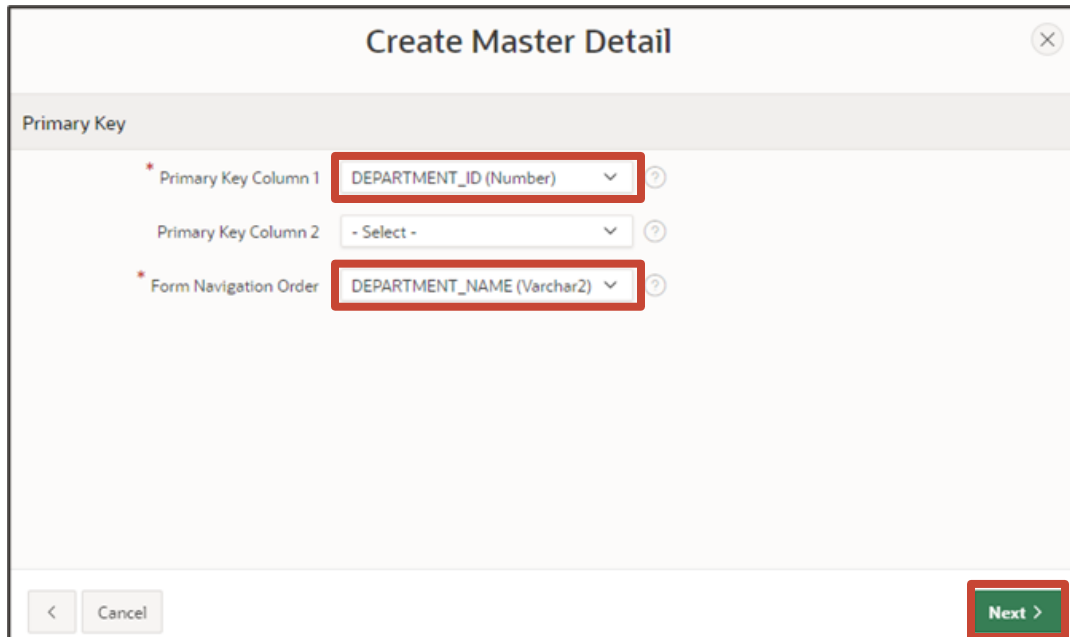
Step 3: Select Primary Key

1. Check the following properties for **Primary Key**:

Primary Key Column 1: DEPARTMENT_ID (Number)

Form Navigation Order: DEPARTMENT_NAME (Varchar2)

Click **Next**.



The screenshot shows a 'Create Master Detail' dialog box with a 'Primary Key' section. The 'Primary Key Column 1' is set to 'DEPARTMENT_ID (Number)' and the 'Form Navigation Order' is set to 'DEPARTMENT_NAME (Varchar2)'. The 'Primary Key Column 2' is set to '- Select -'. The 'Next >' button is highlighted in green.

Primary Key	
* Primary Key Column 1	DEPARTMENT_ID (Number) ?
Primary Key Column 2	- Select - ?
* Form Navigation Order	DEPARTMENT_NAME (Varchar2) ?

< Cancel Next >

Step 4: Select Detail Table and Primary Key

1. Check the following properties for **Detail Page Definition**:

Page Number: 6

Name: Department Employees

Check the following properties for **Detail Data Source**:

Table / View: EMPLOYEES

Click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Master Detail' dialog box with the following configuration:

- Detail Page Definition:**
 - Page Number:** 6
 - Name:** Department Employees
- Detail Data Source:**
 - Data Source:** Local Database
 - Show Only Related Tables:** ☒
 - Table / View Owner:** WKSP_GARYMILLER1
 - Table / View Name:** EMPLOYEES

Navigation buttons at the bottom: < Cancel, Next >

2. Check the following **Detail** properties:

Primary Key Column 1: EMPLOYEE_ID (Number)

Master Detail Relationship: DEPARTMENT_ID -> DEPARTMENT_ID

Click **Create Page**.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Master Detail' dialog box. It has two main sections: 'Detail Primary Key' and 'Master - Detail Relationship'. In the 'Detail Primary Key' section, 'Primary Key Column 1' is set to 'EMPLOYEE_ID (Number)' and 'Primary Key Column 2' is set to '- Select -'. In the 'Master - Detail Relationship' section, 'Master Detail Foreign Key' is set to 'DEPARTMENT_ID -> DEPARTMENT_ID'. At the bottom right, there is a green 'Create Page' button. At the bottom left, there are 'Cancel' and 'Create' buttons.

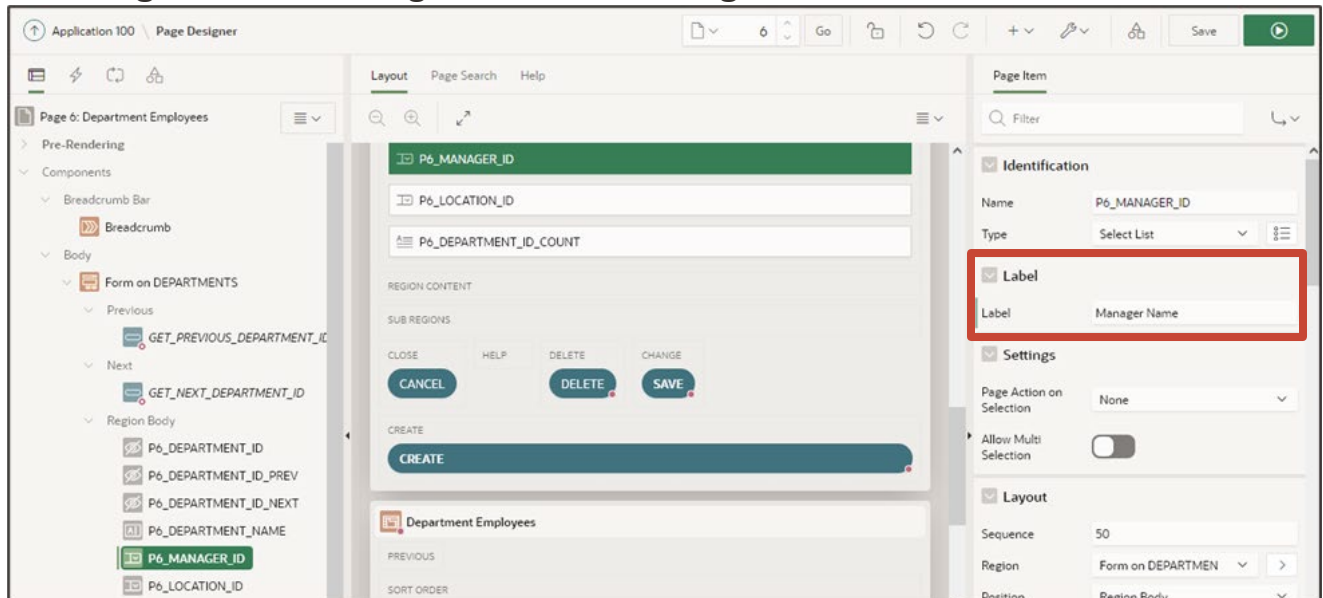
Step 5: Use LOV for manager_id Foreign Key Column

Ensure page **6 – Department Employees** is open in **Page Designer**.

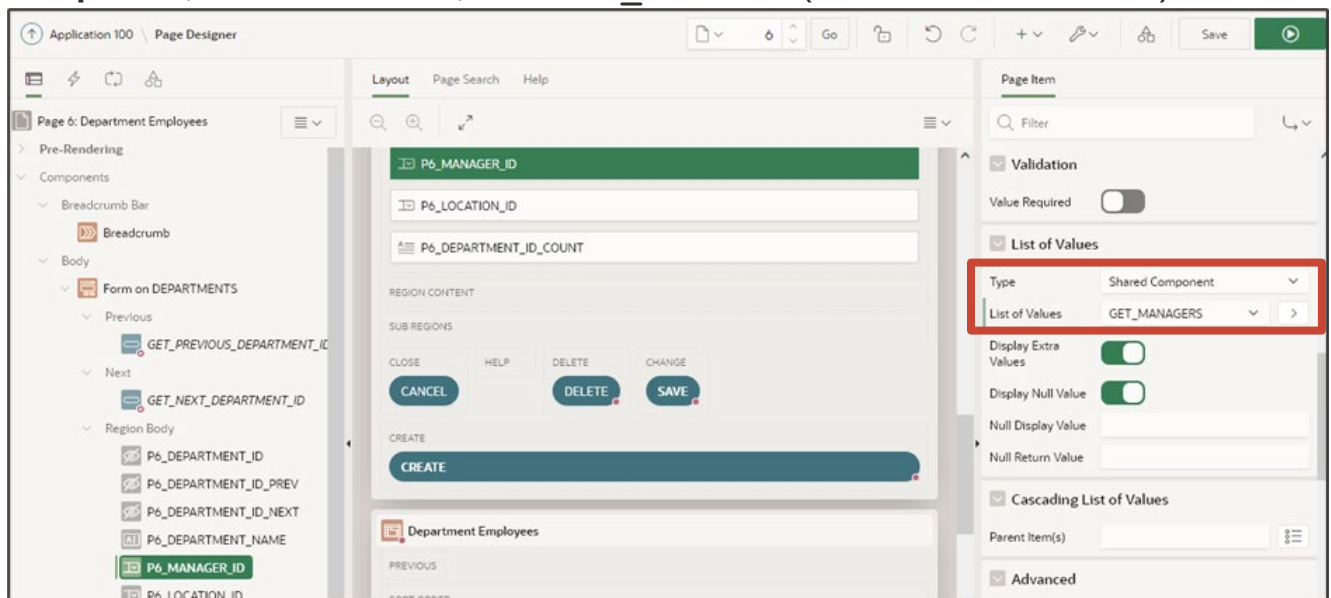
1. From the Rendering tab, select **P6_MANAGER_ID** by left mouse clicking it. (If the items are not listed, you may need to expand **Components**, **Body**, **Form on Departments** and **Region Body**).

The screenshot shows the Oracle APEX Page Designer interface. The 'Page 6: Department Employees' is open. The 'Rendering' tab is selected, showing a tree view of components. The 'P6_MANAGER_ID' component is highlighted in the tree view. The 'Properties' panel on the right shows the configuration for 'P6_MANAGER_ID', including 'Name', 'Type', 'Label', and 'Settings'.

2. In the **Page Item** area, change the **Label** to **Manager Name**.



3. In the **Page Item** area, scroll down to see the **List of Values** settings. For **Type**, select **Shared Component**, for **List of Values**, select **GET MANAGERS** (which we created earlier). Click **Save**.



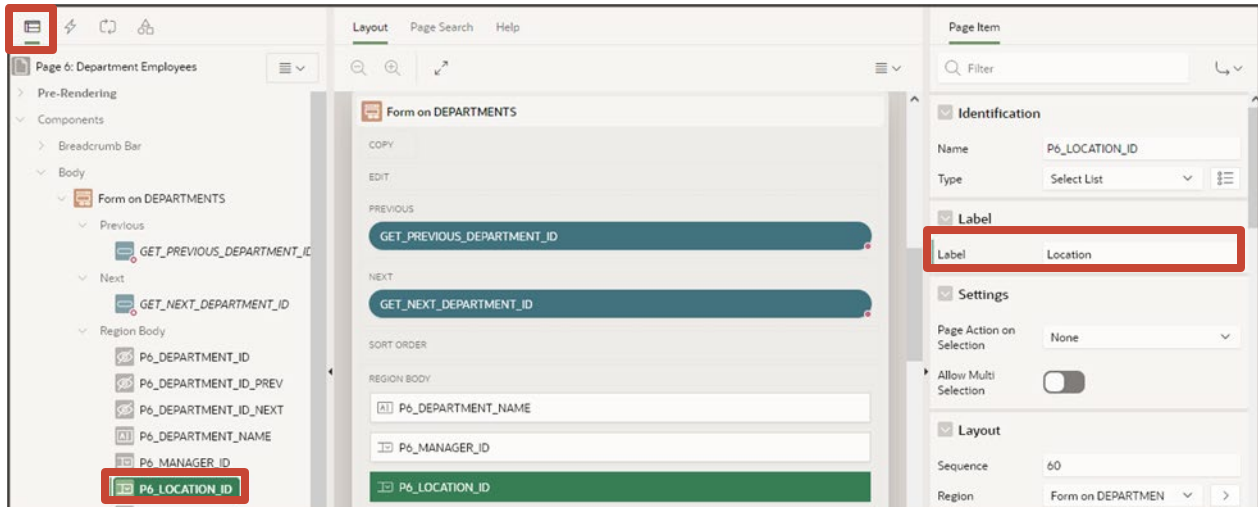
Step 6: Edit LOV for `location_id` Foreign Key Column

By default, the `location_id` foreign key uses the automatically generated shared LOV that displays street address. In this step, we will change this to display both `city` and `street`, using a SQL statement instead of the default LOV.

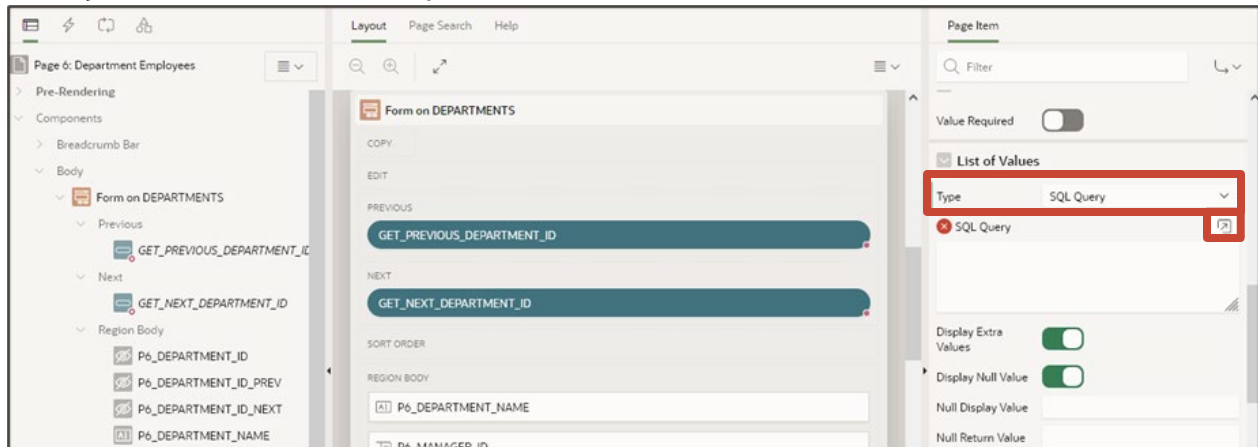
Ensure page **6 – Department Employees** is open in **Page Designer**.

1. From the rendering tab, select **P6_LOCATION_ID** by left mouse clicking it. (If the items are not listed, you may need to expand **Components**, **Body**, **Form on Departments**, **Region Body**).

In the **Page Item** area, change the **Label** to **Location**.



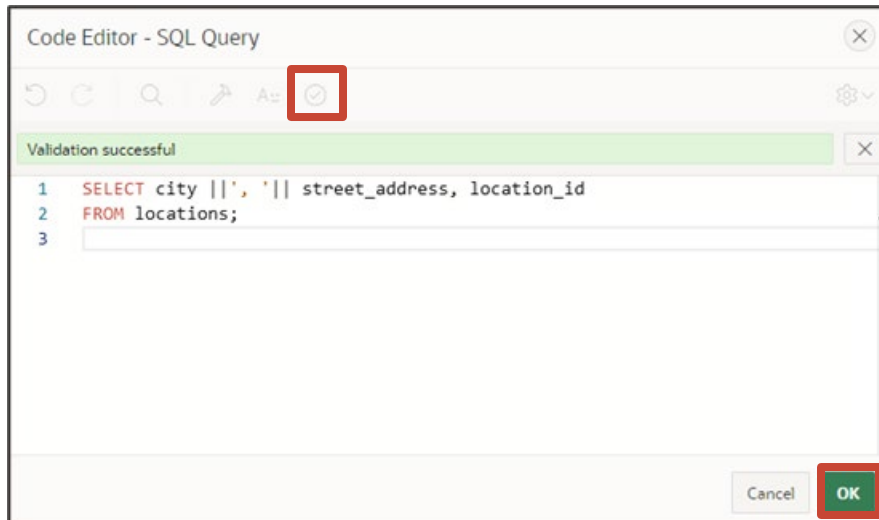
2. In the **Page Item** area, scroll down to see the **List of Values** settings. For **Type**, select **SQL Query** and click the **icon** to open the code editor:



3. Enter the following code in the code editor:

```
SELECT city ||', '|| street_address, location_id
FROM locations;
```

- Click the **Validate** button. Once successful, click **OK**.

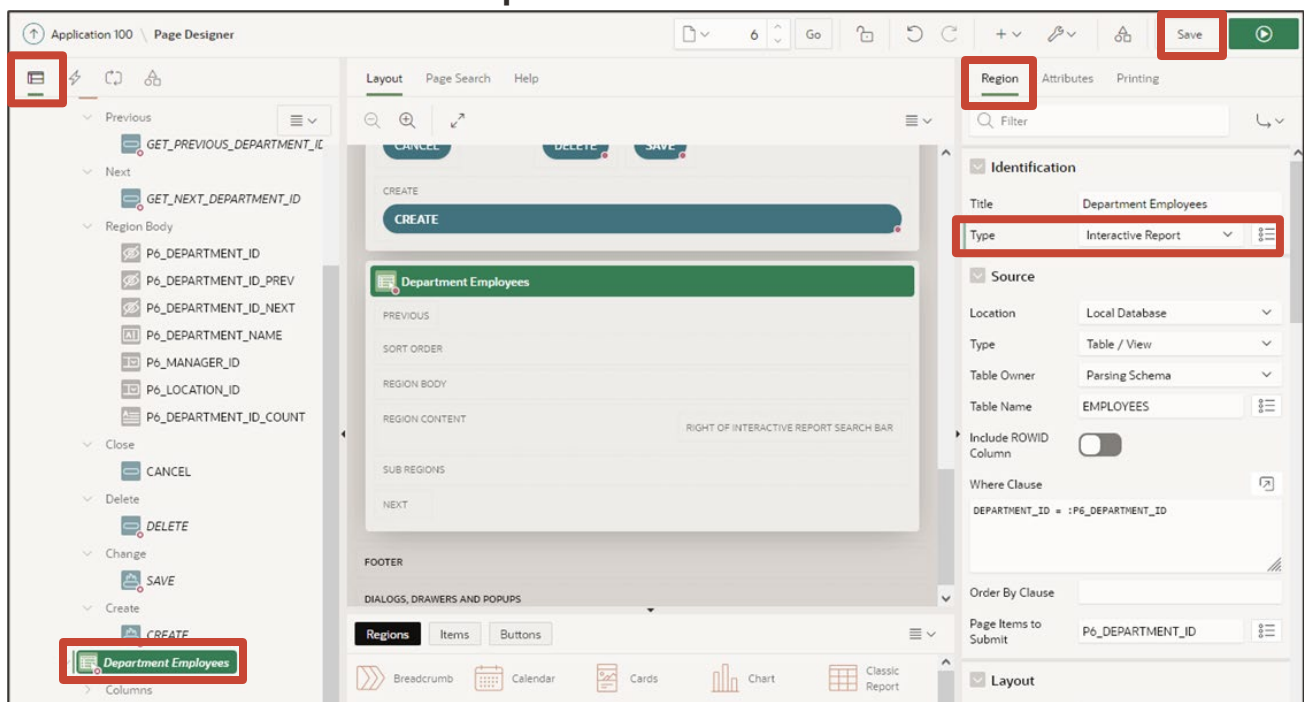


- Click **Save** when returned to **Page Designer** view.

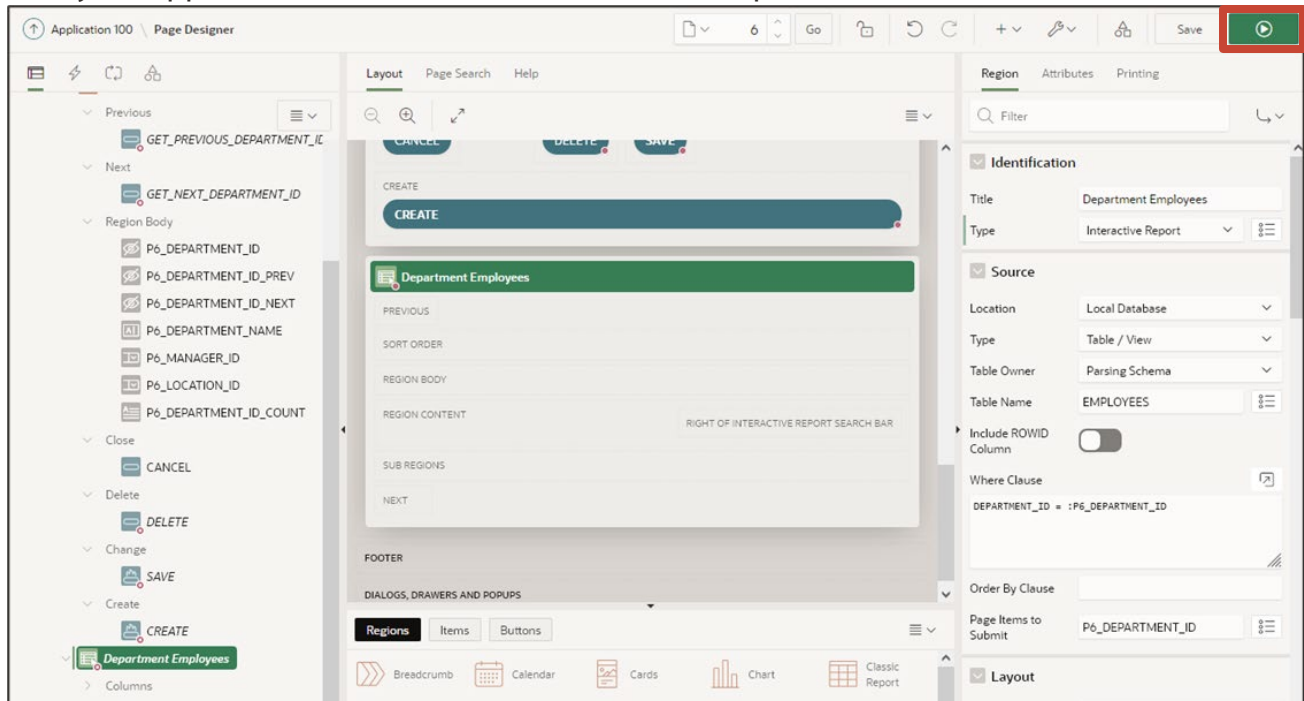
Step 7: Set Employee Details to be View Only

By default the employees are displayed in an editable interactive grid, which allows users to update employee records. We want users to manage employee records on the existing **Update Employee** page. Ensure **Page 6 – Department Employees** is open in **Page Designer**.

- From the rendering tab, scroll down to **Department Employees** (it is near the bottom of the rendering tab) and left click to select the form. In the **Region** tab, change **Type** from **Interactive Grid** to **Interactive Report**. Click **Save**.



2. **Run** your application to test. Do not create a new department at this time.

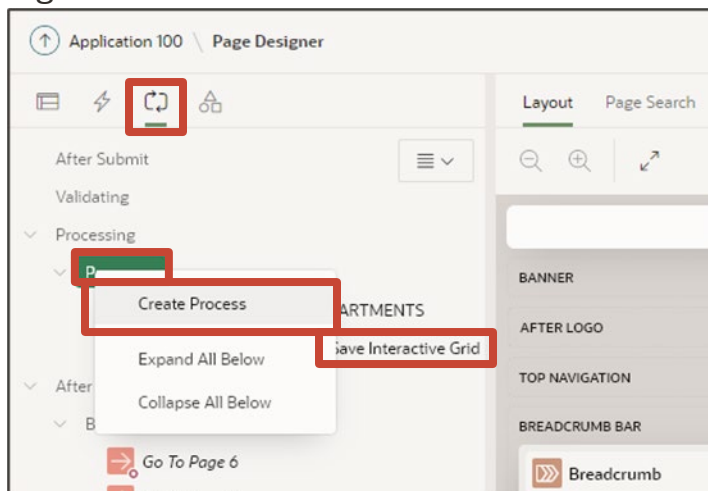


Part 6: Use a Sequence to Manage Primary Key Values on the Update Departments Page

In this step, we will create a new process to automatically generate primary key values using an existing sequence when creating a new department the same way we did earlier for the `employee_id` primary key.

Step 1: Create a New Process

1. Right click on **Processes** and select **Create Process**.

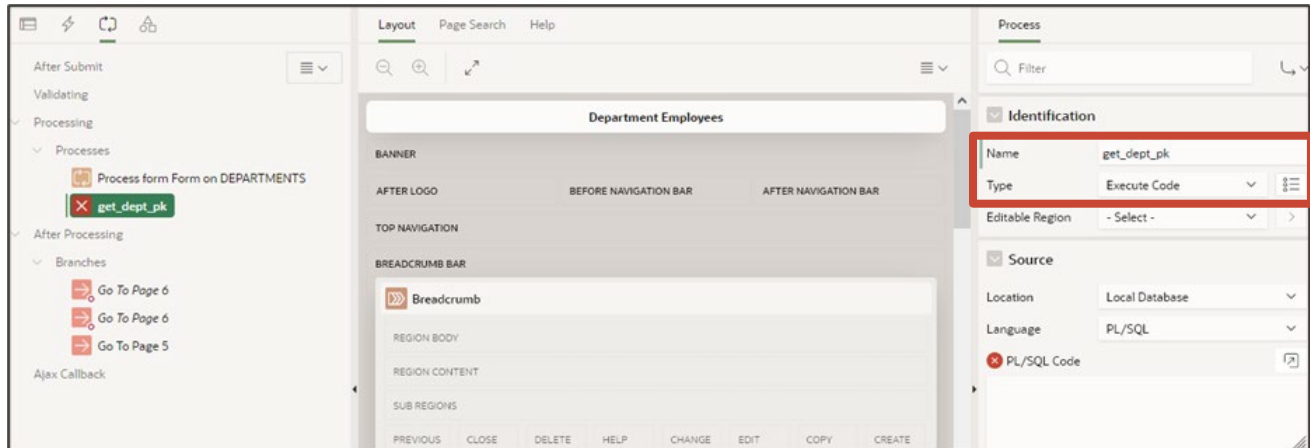


Step 2: Enter Code for the Process

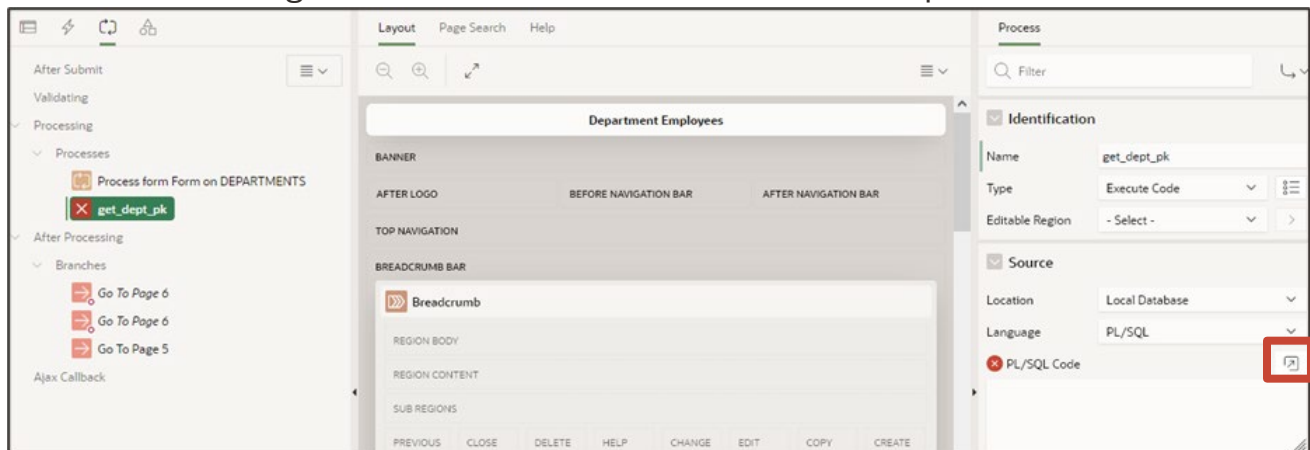
1. Enter the following for **Identification**:

Name: get_dept_pk

Type: Execute Code



2. Ensure the following for **Source** details. Then click the icon to open the code editor.



3. Enter the following code in the code editor:

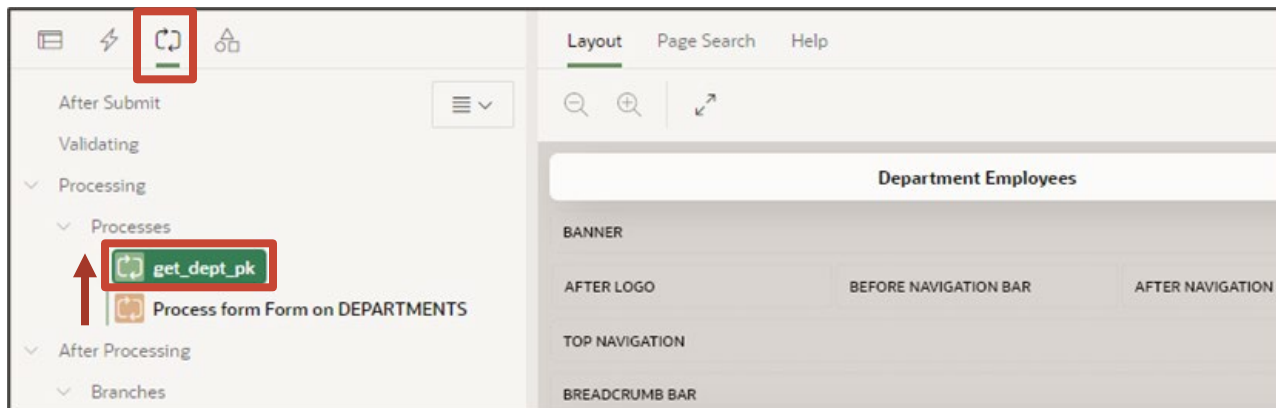
```
BEGIN
    IF :P6_DEPARTMENT_ID IS NULL
    THEN
        SELECT departments_seq.NEXTVAL
        INTO :P6_department_id
        FROM dual;
    END IF;
END;
```


4. Once the statement is entered, click the **Validation** icon. Once successful, click **OK**.



5. The new **get_dept_pk** process must run before the other process to ensure that `department_id` has a value before the insert is processed.

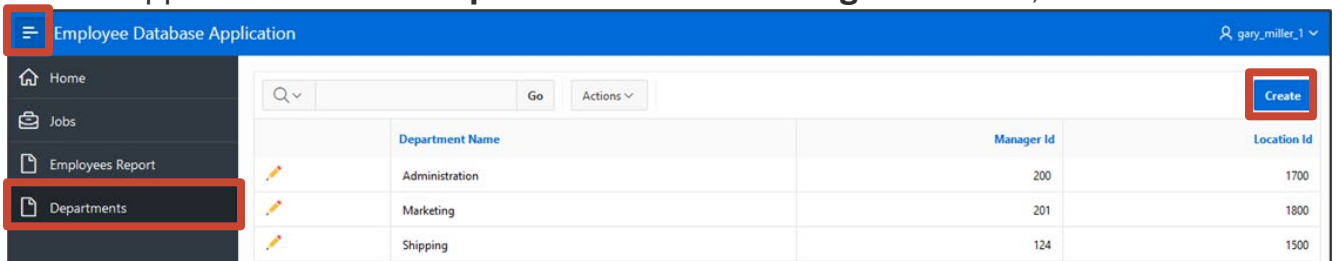
In the processes tab, left mouse click and drag the new **get_dept_pk** process so that it is above the **Process form Form on DEPARTMENTS**.



6. **Save** the page.

Step 3: Run and Test

1. Run the application and click **Departments** from the **Navigation Menu**, then click **Create**.



2. Enter values for a new department, then click **Create**.

Employee Database Application

Departments \

Department Employees

Form on DEPARTMENTS

Department Name
IT Support

Manager Name
Kevin Mourgos

Location
Oxford, Magdalen Centre, The Oxford Science Park

Cancel

Create

3. The new department should be displayed in the Department Report, and a **Row created** message will be displayed.

Employee Database Application

Row created.

Departments

Q v Go Actions v Create

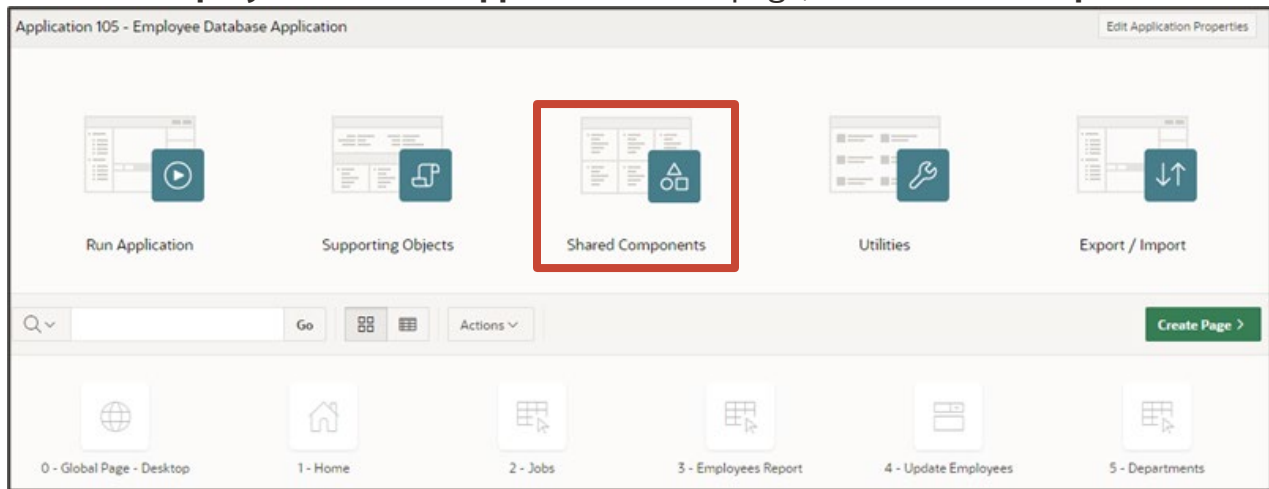
	Department Name	Manager	Location
	Marketing	Michael	460 Bloor St. W.
	Accounting	Shelley	2004 Charade Rd
	IT	Alexander	2014 Jabberwocky Rd
	Executive	Steven	2004 Charade Rd
	IT Support	Kevin	Magdalen Centre, The Oxford Science Park

Part 7: Improve Appearance of Home Page and Navigation Menu

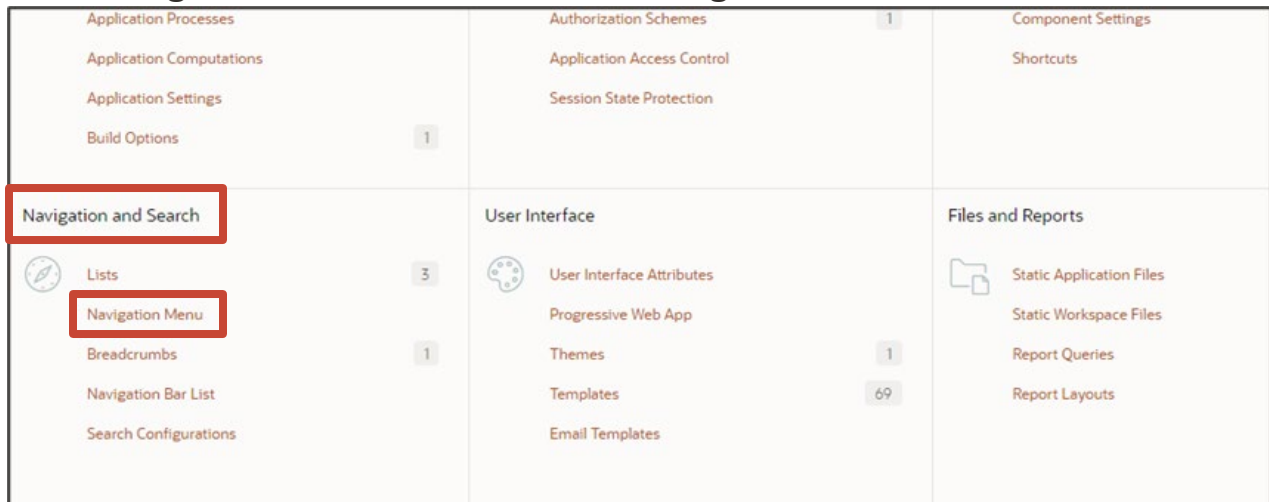
You can change the menu item icon to better match the menu item purpose. In the example below, the default icon was accepted when the page was created. In this section, we will update **Navigation Menu** icons, and add tiles to the home page for the other pages also.

Step 1: Change the Navigation Menu Icons

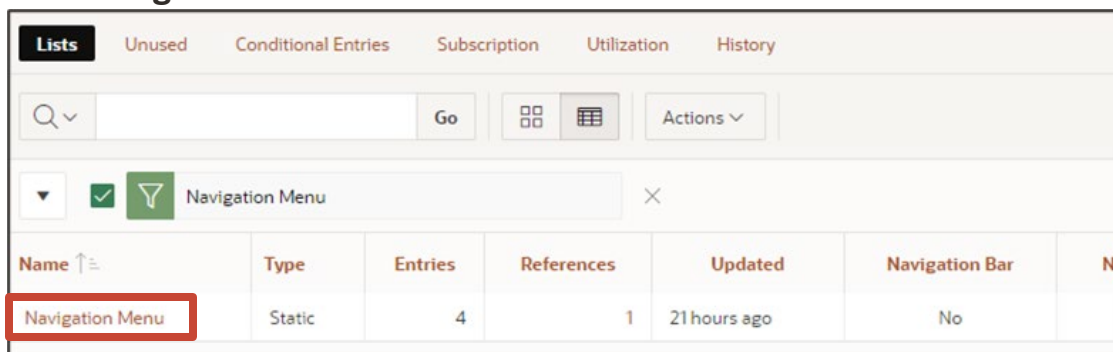
1. From the **Employee Database Application** home page, click **Shared Components**.



2. In the **Navigation and Search** section, click **Navigation Menu**.



3. Click **Navigation Menu**.



4. Click the **Edit** icon for **Departments**.

List Entries

Search: All Text Columns

<input type="checkbox"/>		Sequence ↑=2	Name	Target	Icon	Authorization Scheme	Build C
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		10	Home	f?p=&APP_ID:1:&APP_SESSION::&DEBU...	fa-home		
<input type="checkbox"/>		20	Jobs	f?p=&APP_ID:2:&APP_SESSION::&DEB...	fa-briefcase		
<input type="checkbox"/>		30	Employees Report	f?p=&APP_ID:3:&APP_SESSION::&DEB...	fa-user		
<input type="checkbox"/>		40	Departments	f?p=&APP_ID:5:&APP_SESSION::&DEB...	fa-layout-he...		

1 rows selected

5. For **Image/Class**, click the **List** icon.

List Entry

Show All Entry Target Current List Entry Conditions Authorization Configuration Click Counting User Defined Attributes Developer Reso

Entry

List: **Navigation Menu**

Parent List Entry

Sequence

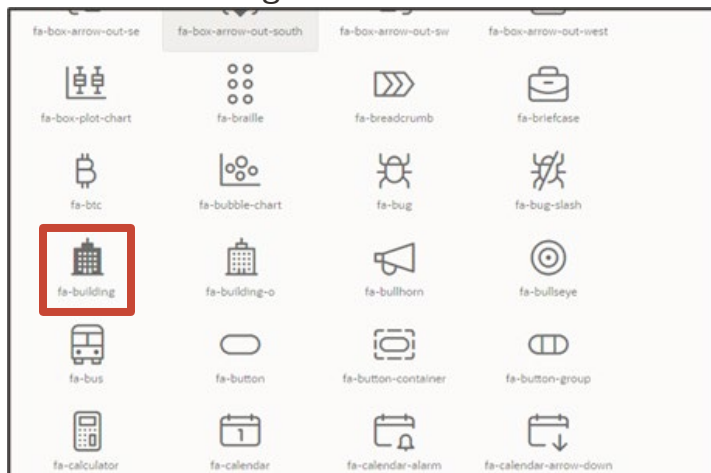
Image/Class

Attributes

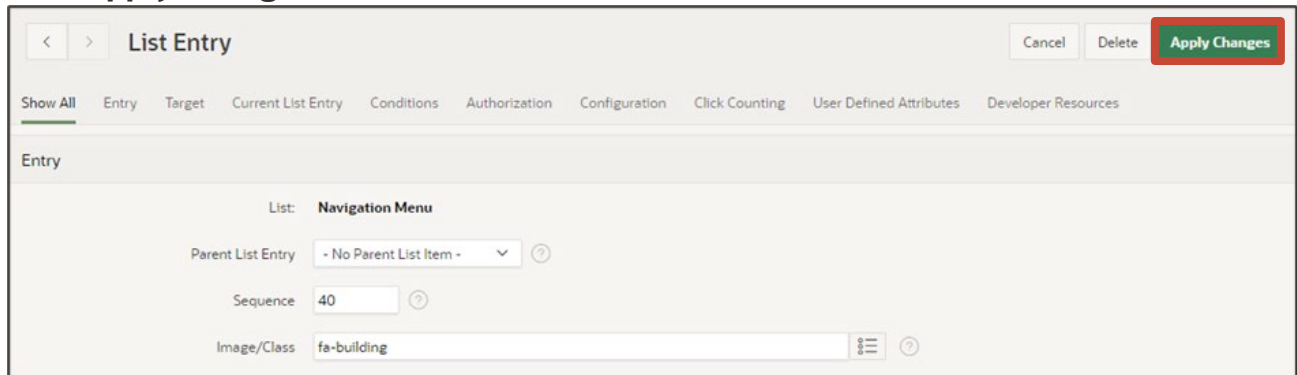
Alt Attribute

* List Entry Label **Departments**

6. Scroll down through the icons and left click the **fa-building** icon.



7. Click **Apply Changes**.



The screenshot shows the 'List Entry' configuration form. At the top, there are navigation buttons: '<', '>', 'List Entry', 'Cancel', 'Delete', and 'Apply Changes' (highlighted with a red border). Below the navigation bar, there are tabs: 'Show All', 'Entry', 'Target', 'Current List Entry', 'Conditions', 'Authorization', 'Configuration', 'Click Counting', 'User Defined Attributes', and 'Developer Resources'. The 'Entry' tab is selected. The form contains the following fields: 'List:' with the value 'Navigation Menu'; 'Parent List Entry' with a dropdown menu showing '- No Parent List Item -'; 'Sequence' with a text input field containing '40'; and 'Image/Class' with a text input field containing 'fa-building' and a small icon button to the right.

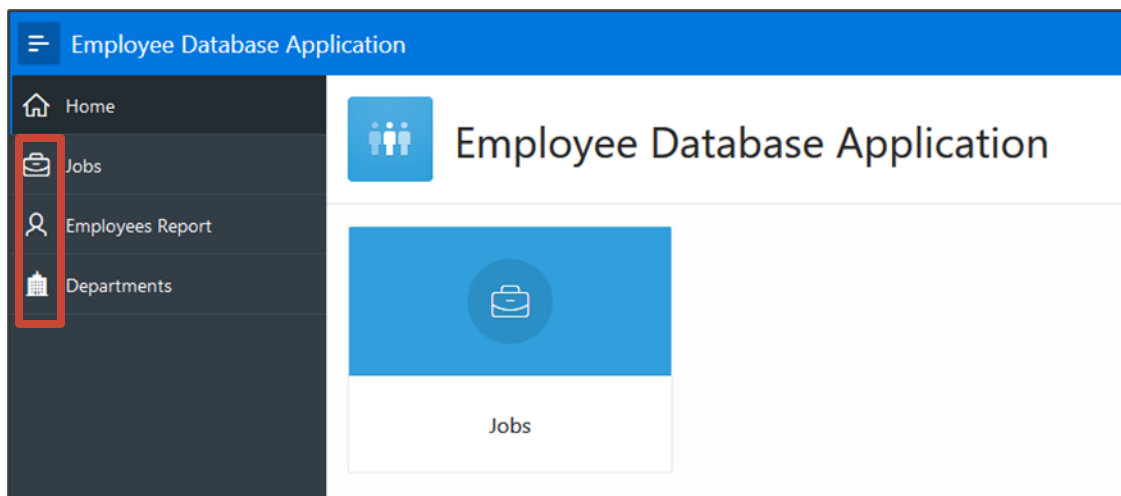
8. Follow the same process to change any other icons as required. The example below uses:

Jobs: fa-briefcase

Employee Report: fa-user

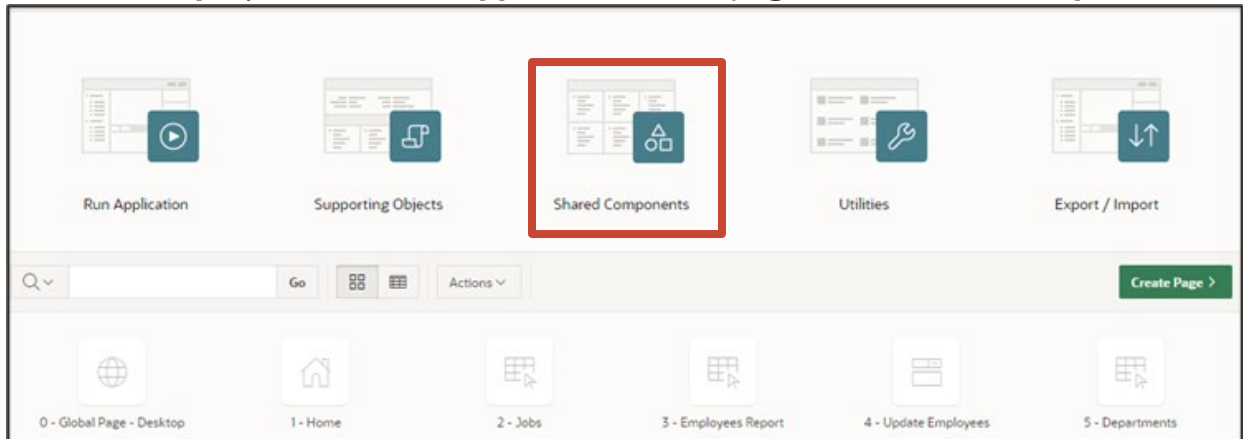
Departments: fa-building-o

Run the application to test. The new icons will now be shown in the **Navigation Menu**.

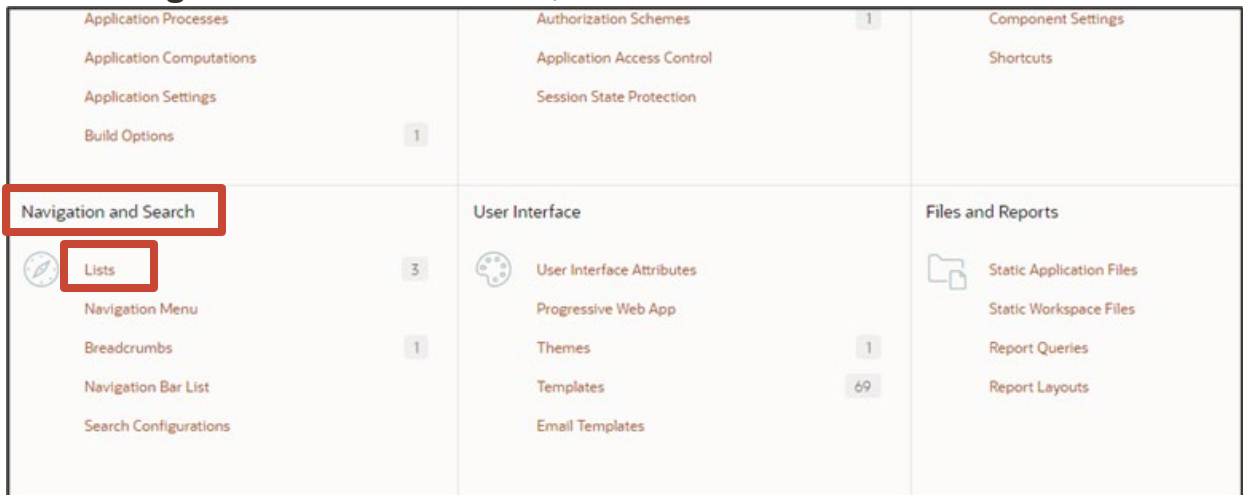


Step 2: Add Navigation Tiles to the Home Page

1. From the **Employee Database Application** home page, click **Shared Components**.



2. In the **Navigation and Search** section, click **Lists**.



3. Click **Page Navigation**.

Lists				
Unused Conditional Entries Subscription Utilization History				
Search Go Actions				
Name	Type	Entries	References	Updated
Navigation Bar	Static	3	1	27 hours ago
Navigation Menu	Static	4	1	14 minutes ago
Page Navigation	Static	1	1	27 hours ago

4. Click **Create Entry**.

The screenshot shows the 'List Entries' table in Oracle AEM. The table has columns: Sequence, Name, Target, Icon, Authorization Scheme, Build Option, and Level. There is one entry with Sequence 20, Name 'Jobs', and Target 'f?p=&APP_ID::2:&APP_SESSION::&DEB...'. The 'Create Entry >' button in the top right corner is highlighted with a red box.

5. Enter the following properties:

Image/Class: fa-user

List Entry Label: Employees Report

Page: 3

Click **Create and Create Another**.

The screenshot shows the 'List Entry' configuration form in Oracle AEM. The 'Create and Create Another' button in the top right corner is highlighted with a red box. The 'Image/Class' field is set to 'fa-user'. The 'List Entry Label' field is set to 'Employees Report'. The 'Page' field is set to '3'. The 'Target type' is set to 'Page in this Application'.

6. Enter the following properties:

Image/Class: fa-building-o

List Entry Label: Departments

Page: 5

Click **Create List Entry**

Cancel Create and Create Another **Create List Entry**

Show All Entry Target Current List Entry Conditions Authorization Configuration Click Counting User Defined Attributes Developer Resources

Entry

List: **Page Navigation**

Parent List Entry - No Parent List Item - ?

Sequence 40 ?

Image/Class fa-building-o ?

Attributes ?

Alt Attribute ?

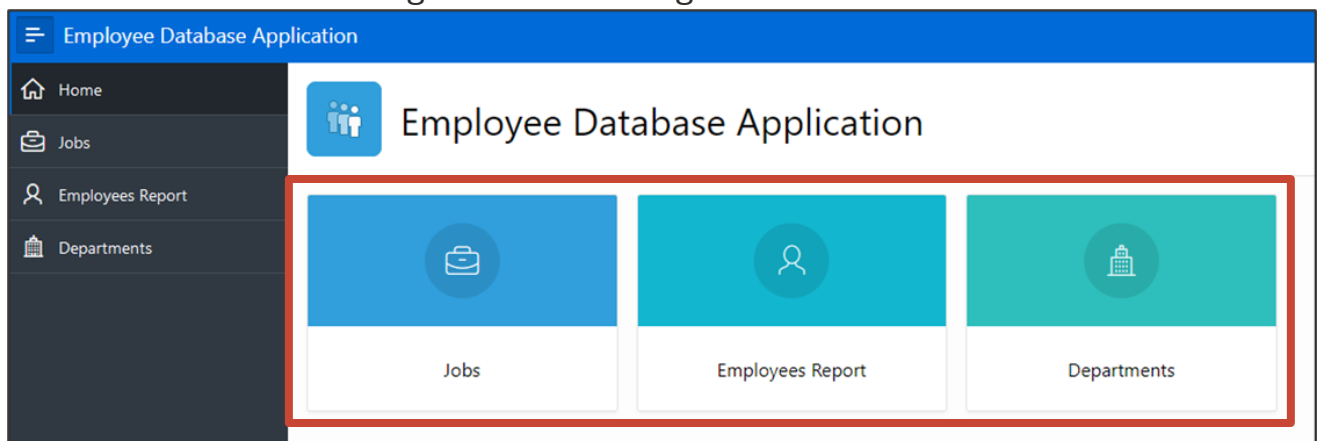
* List Entry Label Departments ?

Target

Target type Page in this Application ?

* Page 5 ?

7. Return to the **Employee Database Application** home page and run the application to test. There should now be 3 navigation tiles showing.

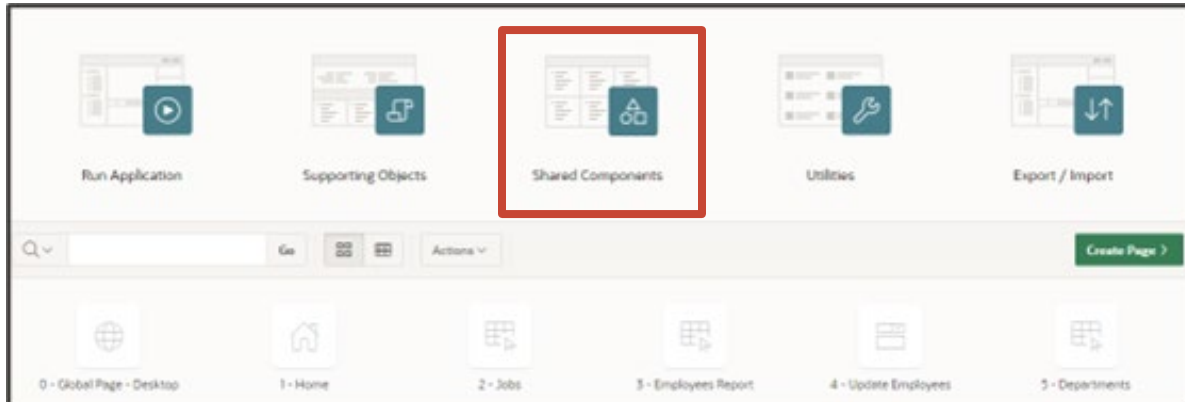


Part 8: Add an Image to the Home Page

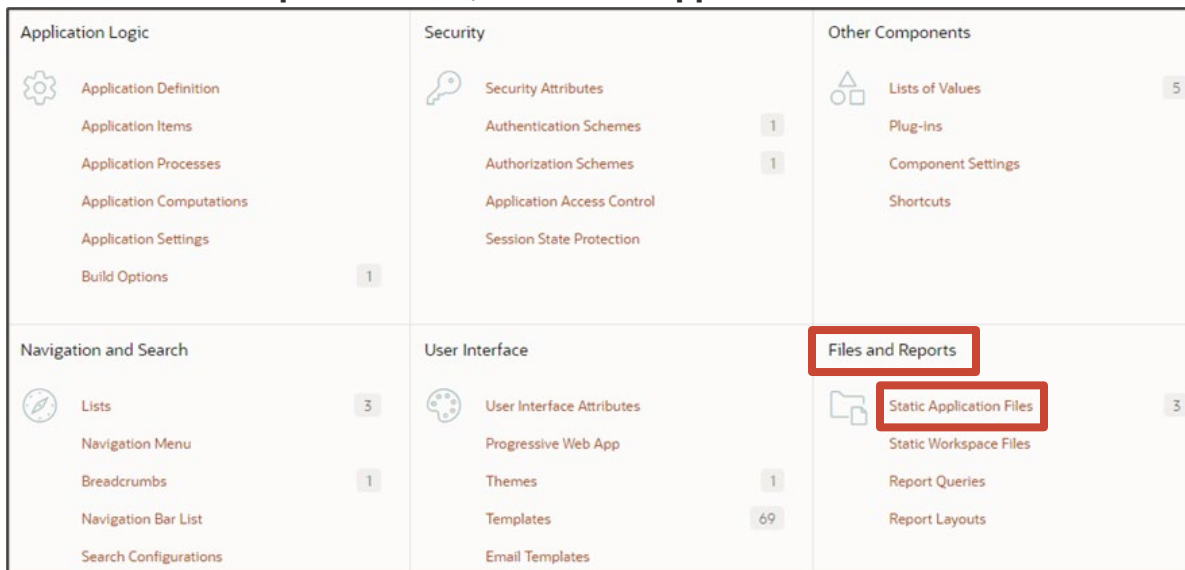
First find an image you want to use on the home page, and save locally on your PC, noting its location. Make sure the image is not too large, as we want it to fit on screen without the user having to scroll across the page. The size should be no more than 450 pixels wide, and 200 pixels high.

Step 1: Upload the Image

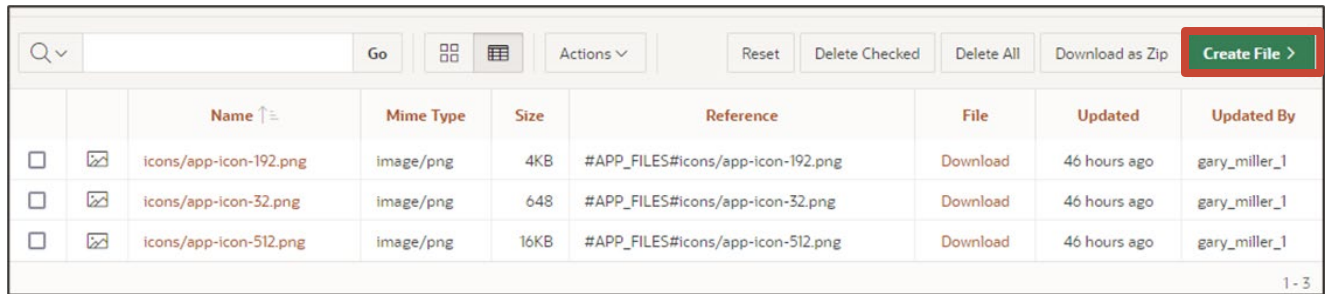
1. From the **Employee Database Application** home page, click the **Shared Components** icon.



2. In the **Files and Reports** section, click **Static Application Files**.



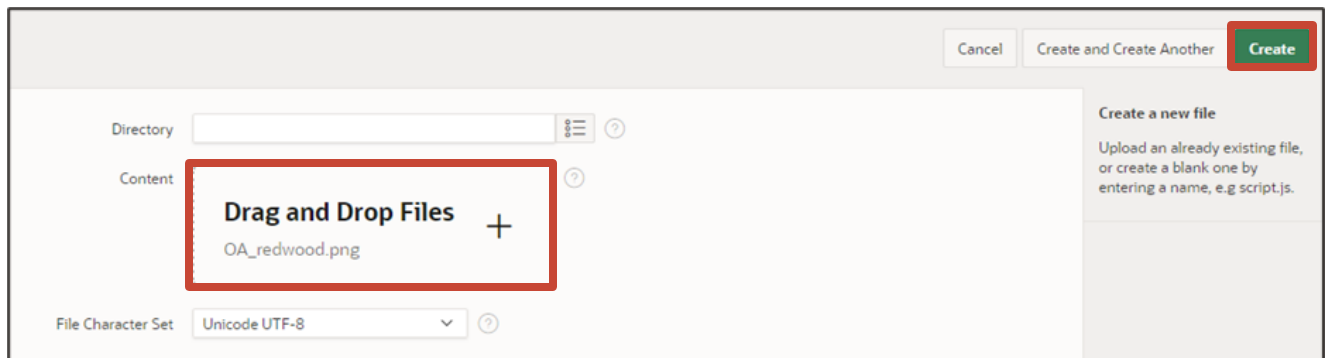
3. Click **Create File**.



The screenshot shows a web application interface with a table of files and a 'Create File' button highlighted with a red box. The table has columns for Name, Mime Type, Size, Reference, File, Updated, and Updated By. The 'Create File' button is located in the top right corner of the interface.

	Name	Mime Type	Size	Reference	File	Updated	Updated By
<input type="checkbox"/>	icons/app-icon-192.png	image/png	4KB	#APP_FILES#icons/app-icon-192.png	Download	46 hours ago	gary_miller_1
<input type="checkbox"/>	icons/app-icon-32.png	image/png	648	#APP_FILES#icons/app-icon-32.png	Download	46 hours ago	gary_miller_1
<input type="checkbox"/>	icons/app-icon-512.png	image/png	16KB	#APP_FILES#icons/app-icon-512.png	Download	46 hours ago	gary_miller_1

4. Locate the image you want to use on your local machine and drag and drop it into the **Content** area. Click **Create**.



The screenshot shows a web application interface with a 'Content' area. A red box highlights a 'Drag and Drop Files' box with a plus sign. The 'Create' button is highlighted with a red box. The 'Content' area also shows a 'Directory' field and a 'File Character Set' dropdown.

Drag and Drop Files +

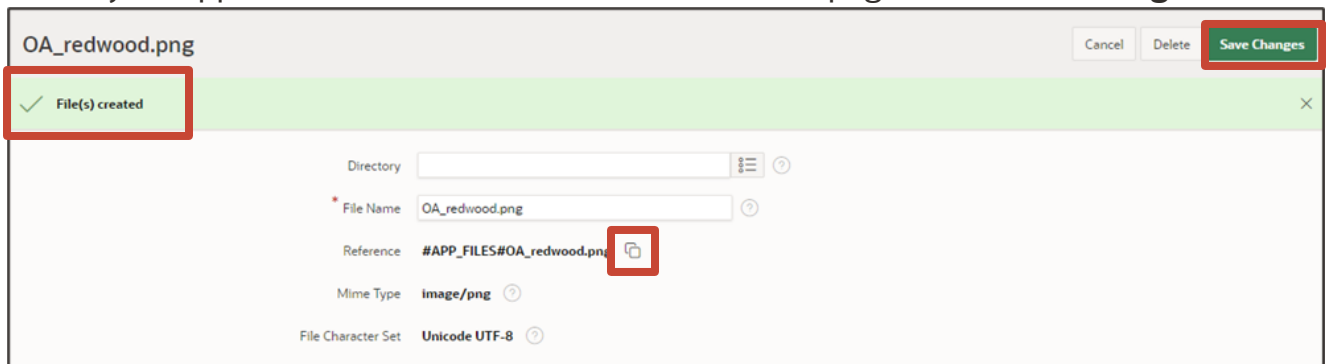
OA_redwood.png

File Character Set: Unicode UTF-8

Create a new file
Upload an already existing file, or create a blank one by entering a name, e.g script.js.

Buttons: Cancel, Create and Create Another, Create

5. Your file will be created. Copy the reference into a text document (click the **Copy** icon) as this is how your application will locate the file from the home page. Click **Save Changes**.



The screenshot shows a web application interface with a 'File(s) created' message highlighted with a red box. The 'Save Changes' button is highlighted with a red box. The file details show the 'File Name' as 'OA_redwood.png', the 'Reference' as '#APP_FILES#OA_redwood.png', and the 'Mime Type' as 'image/png'. A 'Copy' icon is highlighted with a red box.

OA_redwood.png

File(s) created

Directory:

* File Name: OA_redwood.png

Reference: #APP_FILES#OA_redwood.png

Mime Type: image/png

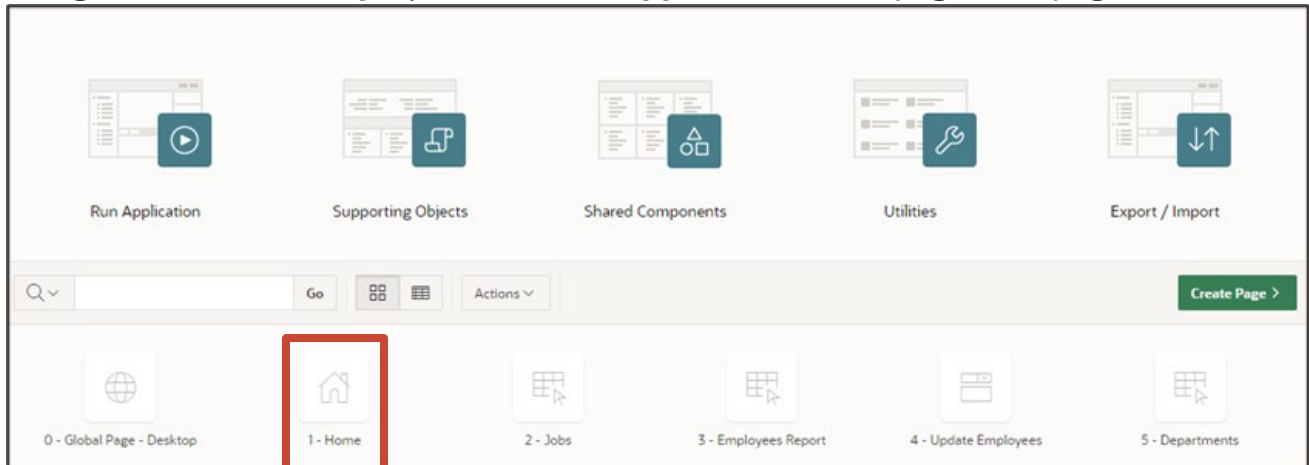
File Character Set: Unicode UTF-8

Buttons: Cancel, Delete, Save Changes

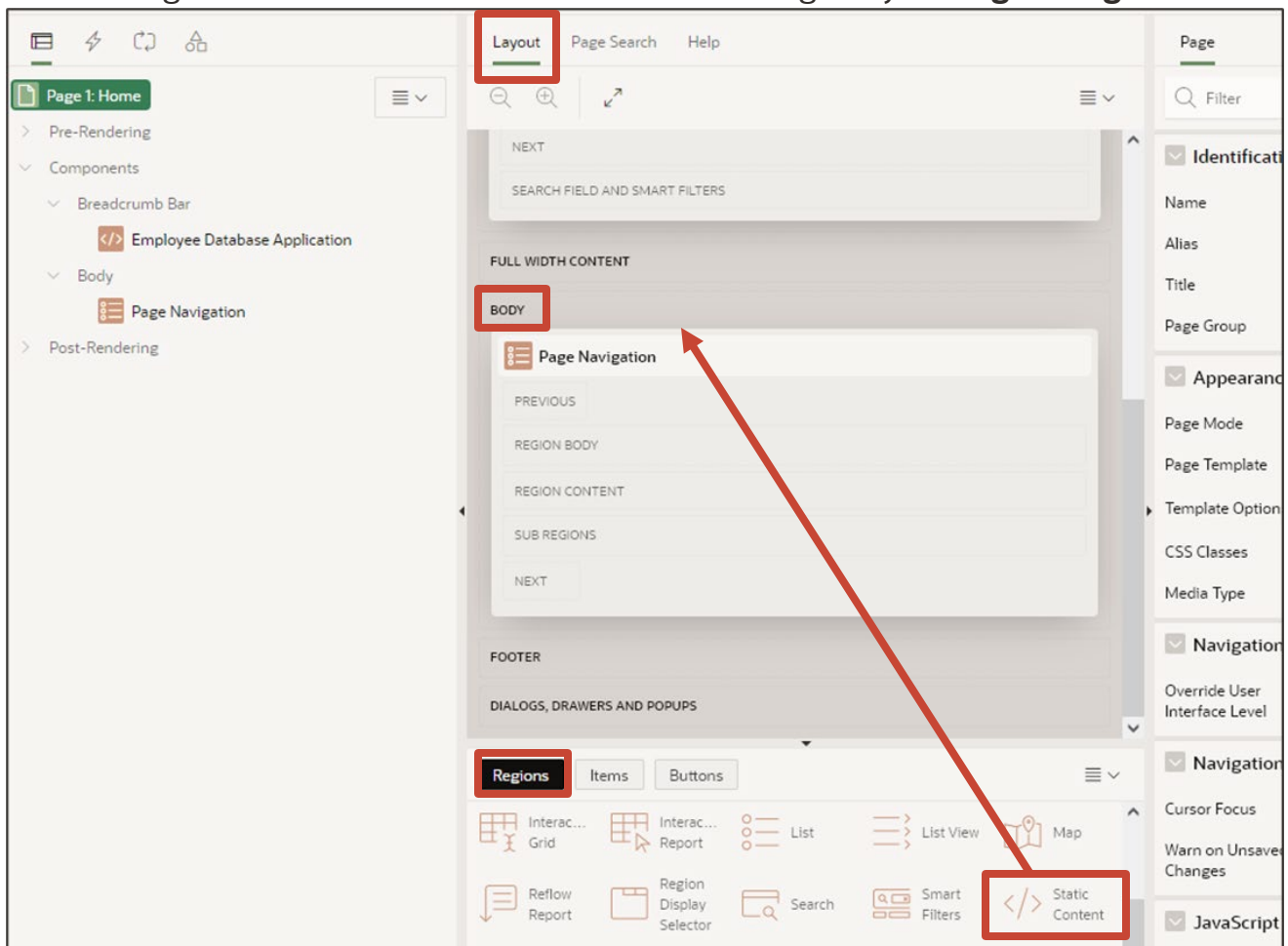
Copy icon

Step 2: Add a Region to the Home Page Content Body

1. Navigate back to the **Employee Database Application** home page, click page **1 – Home**.



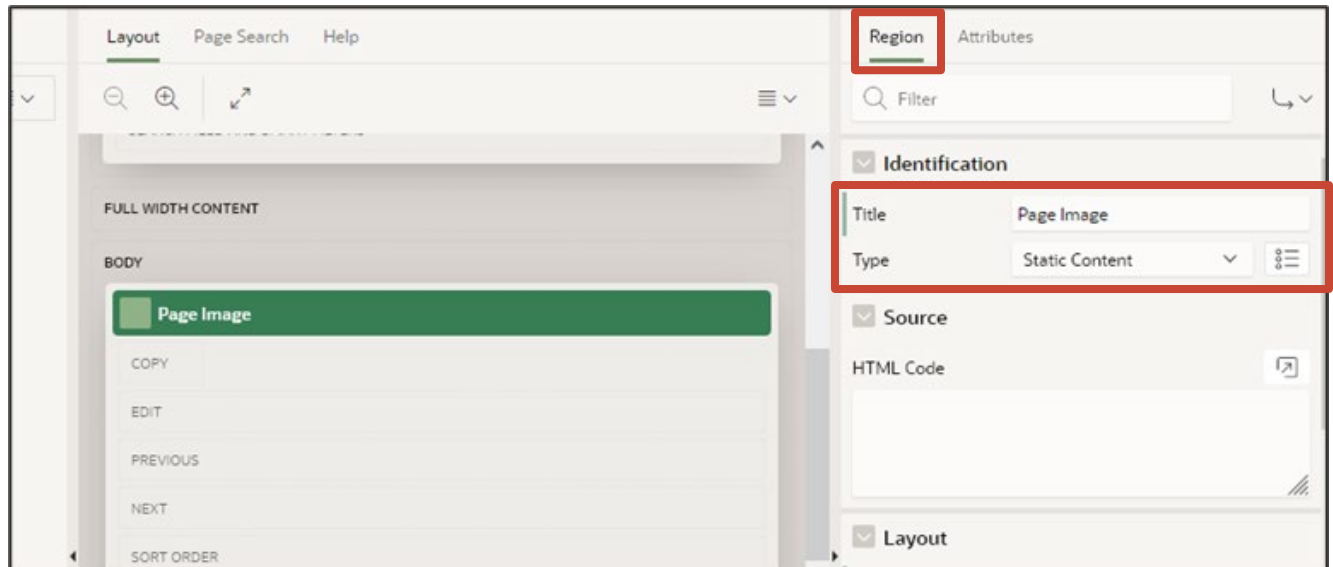
2. In the **Layout** section, scroll down to locate the **BODY** section. Locate and click the **Regions** tab. In the **Regions** section, scroll down to see the **Static Content** region. Drag the **Static Content** region into the content **BODY** above the existing entry for **Page Navigation**.



- The new region will be shown directly below the **BODY** section. In the **Region** tab, enter the following properties:

Title: Page Image

Type: Static Content

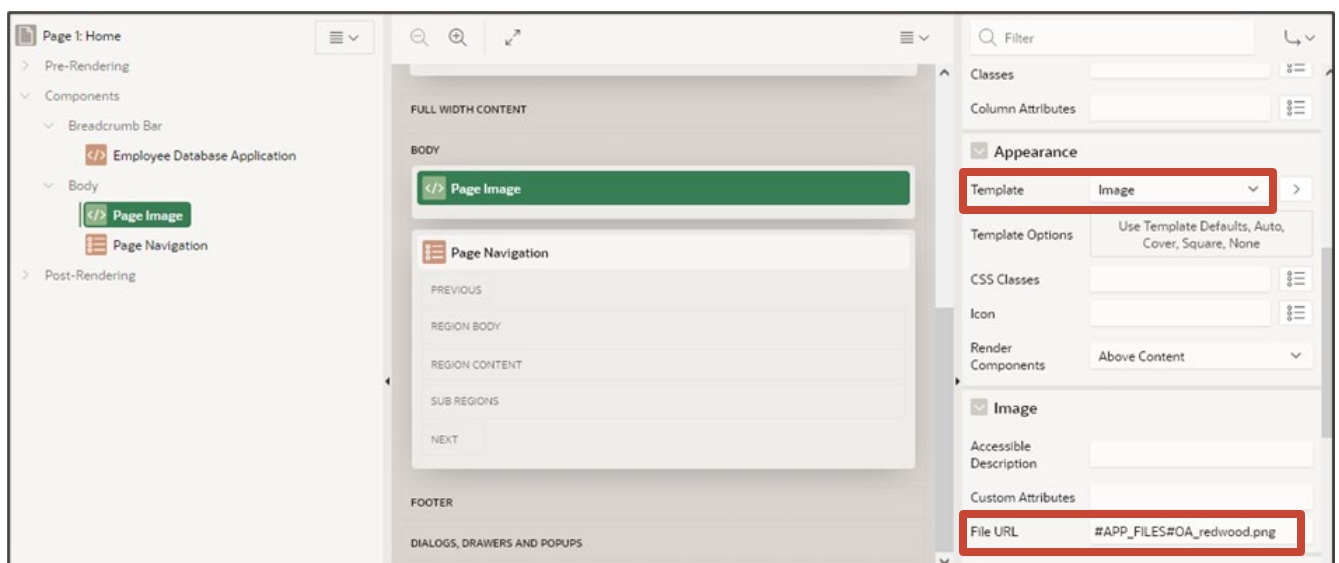


- Still in the **Region** tab, scroll down to the **Appearance** section. Ensure the following properties:

Template: Image

File URL: Copy the file reference from Part 1

To clear the error, **save** the page.



Step 3: Test the Application

- 1. Run the application to test. Your home page should now display your image, similar to the example below.

