- 1. List three data sources Power BI can connect to.
  - Microsoft Excel
  - SQL Server Database
  - Web APIs (e.g., JSON or REST services)

#### 2. What is the first step to import data into Power BI Desktop?

Click "Home" → "Get Data", then choose the data source (e.g., Excel, CSV, SQL Server).

#### 3. How do you refresh imported data in Power BI?

Click "Home" → "Refresh" to reload the latest data from the original sources.

- 4. What file formats can Power BI import directly? (Name two.)
  - .csv (Comma Separated Values)
  - .xlsx (Excel Workbook)

## 5. What does the "Navigator" window show after selecting a data source?

It displays a **preview of tables or sheets** found in the source so you can select which ones to load.

- **6.** Import Sales\_Data.csv and load only the "Product" and "Price" columns. Steps:
  - 1. Go to Home  $\rightarrow$  Get Data  $\rightarrow$  Text/CSV, select Sales Data.csv.
  - 2. In Navigator, click **Transform Data**.
  - 3. In Power Query Editor, select only the "Product" and "Price" columns, then click Close & Load.

### 7. How would you change OrderDate to a date format during import?

In Power Query Editor:

- 1. Select the **OrderDate** column.
- 2. Click **Data Type**  $\rightarrow$  **Date** on the toolbar.
- 3. Apply changes with Close & Load.

# 8. What is the difference between "Load" and "Transform Data" in the import dialog?

- Load: Imports the selected data directly as-is.
- **Transform Data**: Opens Power Query Editor to clean or shape the data before loading.

## 9. Why might you see an error when connecting to a SQL database? (Name one reason.)

• Invalid credentials or lack of permission to access the database.

### 10. How do you replace a data source after importing it?

Go to Home  $\rightarrow$  Transform Data  $\rightarrow$  Data Source Settings, select the source, then click Change Source.

#### 11. Write the M-code to import only rows where Quantity > 1.

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Source = Csv.Document(File.Contents("C:\Path\Sales\_Data.csv"), [Delimiter=",", Columns=5, Encoding=1252, QuoteStyle=QuoteStyle.None]),

PromotedHeaders = Table.PromoteHeaders(Source, [PromoteAllScalars=true]),

FilteredRows = Table.SelectRows(PromotedHeaders, each [Quantity] > 1)

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**FilteredRows** 

(Adjust column names/paths accordingly.)

### 12. How would you change the data source if Sales\_Data.csv changed?

- Open Power Query Editor  $\rightarrow$  Home  $\rightarrow$  Data Source Settings.
- Select the existing file and click **Change Source**, then choose the new file path.

## 13. Troubleshoot: Your CSV import fails due to a "mixed data type" error—how do you fix it?

- In Power Query Editor, **change the column's data type** manually to the most appropriate type (e.g., Text, Number).
- Alternatively, use "Detect Data Type" or apply Table.TransformColumnTypes in M-code.

### 14. Connect to a live SQL database with parameters (e.g., filter by year).

- 1. Go to Home  $\rightarrow$  Get Data  $\rightarrow$  SQL Server.
- 2. Enter the server and database name.
- 3. Click **Advanced options**, write a SQL query like:

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SELECT \* FROM Sales WHERE YEAR(OrderDate) = @Year

4. Define a parameter in Power Query named Year and use it in the query.

## 15. How would you automate data imports using Power BI and Power Automate?

- 1. Use **Power BI Dataflows** or scheduled refreshes in Power BI Service.
- 2. In **Power Automate**, create a flow that:
  - o Triggers on a new file in OneDrive/SharePoint/etc.
  - o Runs a Power BI dataset refresh using Power BI connector.
- 3. Optional: Add notification or email actions upon completion.