

DBMS

SQL – MEDIUM LEVEL

1. Which of the following joins returns all rows from both tables, matching rows where possible?
A) INNER JOIN
B) LEFT JOIN
C) RIGHT JOIN
D) FULL OUTER JOIN

Answer: D

2. Which keyword is used in a subquery to test if a row exists?
A) IN
B) ANY
C) EXISTS
D) ALL

Answer: C

3. What is the difference between UNION and UNION ALL?
A) UNION ALL removes duplicates, UNION keeps all
B) UNION removes duplicates, UNION ALL keeps all
C) Both remove duplicates
D) Both keep duplicates

Answer: B

4. Which index type improves performance of queries with non-unique values?
A) Primary index
B) Unique index
C) Non-clustered index
D) Composite index

Answer: C

5. Which clause restricts the rows returned by a GROUP BY query?
A) WHERE
B) HAVING
C) ORDER BY
D) DISTINCT

Answer: B

6. Which SQL function returns the number of non-NULL values?
A) COUNT(*)
B) COUNT(column)
C) SUM()
D) AVG()

Answer: B

7. Which join returns all rows from the left table, even if there are no matches in the right table?
- A) INNER JOIN
 - B) LEFT JOIN
 - C) FULL OUTER JOIN
 - D) RIGHT JOIN

Answer: B

8. Which SQL statement is correct for updating multiple columns at once?
- A) UPDATE table SET col1=val1 AND col2=val2
 - B) UPDATE table SET col1=val1, col2=val2
 - C) UPDATE table (col1,col2) VALUES(val1,val2)
 - D) UPDATE table ADD col1=val1,col2=val2

Answer: B

9. Which operator checks if all values in a subquery satisfy a condition?
- A) IN
 - B) ANY
 - C) EXISTS
 - D) ALL

Answer: D

10. Which SQL keyword is used to fetch only a specific number of rows?
- A) LIMIT
 - B) TOP
 - C) ROWNUM
 - D) All of the above (depends on DBMS)

Answer: D

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11. Which of the following is true about clustered indexes?
- A) Data is stored in sorted order
 - B) A table can have many clustered indexes
 - C) They cannot be created on primary keys
 - D) They do not affect performance

Answer: A

12. Which SQL command is used to remove duplicates from a query result?
- A) UNIQUE
 - B) DISTINCT
 - C) REMOVE DUPLICATE
 - D) CLEAN

Answer: B

13. Which of the following cannot be used in a WHERE clause?
- A) Aggregate functions
 - B) Comparison operators
 - C) Subqueries
 - D) Logical operators

Answer: A

14. Which constraint ensures a value in one table matches a value in another table?

- A) PRIMARY KEY
- B) FOREIGN KEY
- C) UNIQUE
- D) DEFAULT

Answer: B

15. Which of these is an example of a correlated subquery?

- A) Subquery executed once for entire query
- B) Subquery executed once per row of outer query
- C) Subquery with no relation to outer query
- D) Subquery with multiple results

Answer: B

16. Which SQL statement copies rows from one table to another?

- A) COPY INTO
- B) INSERT INTO ... SELECT
- C) UPDATE ... SELECT
- D) DUPLICATE TABLE

Answer: B

17. Which join can cause Cartesian product if no condition is applied?

- A) INNER JOIN
- B) CROSS JOIN
- C) OUTER JOIN
- D) SELF JOIN

Answer: B

18. Which is the correct order of SQL query execution?

- A) SELECT → WHERE → GROUP BY → HAVING → ORDER BY
- B) WHERE → GROUP BY → HAVING → SELECT → ORDER BY
- C) FROM → WHERE → GROUP BY → HAVING → SELECT → ORDER BY
- D) SELECT → FROM → WHERE → GROUP BY → ORDER BY

Answer: C

19. Which SQL keyword is used to rename a result column?

- A) RENAME
- B) AS
- C) ALIAS
- D) BOTH B and C

Answer: D

20. Which clause is used to combine rows with the same values into a single row?

- A) GROUP BY
- B) HAVING
- C) DISTINCT
- D) ORDER BY

Answer: A

21. Which operator allows comparing a single value to a list of values?

- A) IN
- B) ANY
- C) EXISTS
- D) LIKE

Answer: A

22. Which type of key can contain NULL values?

- A) Primary key
- B) Candidate key
- C) Foreign key
- D) Super key

Answer: C

23. Which SQL command is used to revoke user access rights?

- A) REMOVE
- B) DELETE
- C) REVOKE
- D) DENY

Answer: C

24. Which join compares a table with itself?

- A) CROSS JOIN
- B) SELF JOIN
- C) INNER JOIN
- D) FULL JOIN

Answer: B

25. Which SQL keyword is used with LIKE for multiple characters?

- A) %
- B) _
- C) *
- D) #

Answer: A

26. Which SQL statement modifies data inside a view?

- A) UPDATE VIEW
- B) UPDATE base table
- C) MODIFY VIEW
- D) ALTER VIEW

Answer: B

27. Which aggregate function ignores NULL values?

- A) SUM()
- B) AVG()
- C) COUNT(column)
- D) All of the above

Answer: D

28. Which of the following best describes a composite key?

- A) Key that refers to another table

- B) Combination of two or more columns
- C) A unique key with NULL values
- D) Automatically generated key

Answer: B

29. Which SQL clause is used to check conditions on aggregated data?

- A) WHERE
- B) HAVING
- C) GROUP BY
- D) ORDER BY

Answer: B

30. Which operator returns rows if at least one of the conditions is true?

- A) AND
- B) OR
- C) NOT
- D) IN

Answer: B

31. Which SQL constraint assigns a default value to a column if no value is specified?

- A) PRIMARY KEY
- B) DEFAULT
- C) CHECK
- D) UNIQUE

Answer: B

32. Which of the following is true for subqueries?

- A) They must always return one row
- B) They can return multiple rows and columns
- C) They cannot be used in WHERE clause
- D) They are always faster than joins

Answer: B

33. Which SQL keyword is used to remove only the structure of a database object?

- A) DROP
- B) DELETE
- C) TRUNCATE
- D) ERASE

Answer: A

34. Which SQL statement is correct to get the highest salary from "employees"?

- A) SELECT salary FROM employees WHERE salary=MAX(salary);
- B) SELECT MAX(salary) FROM employees;
- C) SELECT salary(MAX) FROM employees;
- D) SELECT TOP salary FROM employees;

Answer: B

35. Which operator returns true if a subquery returns at least one row?

- A) IN

- B) EXISTS
- C) ALL
- D) ANY

Answer: B

36. Which SQL feature enforces rules at column level?

- A) CHECK constraint
- B) DEFAULT constraint
- C) FOREIGN KEY constraint
- D) PRIMARY KEY constraint

Answer: A

37. Which SQL command is used to change the definition of a view?

- A) ALTER VIEW
- B) UPDATE VIEW
- C) MODIFY VIEW
- D) CHANGE VIEW

Answer: A

38. Which is true about indexes?

- A) Always speed up inserts
- B) Can slow down updates
- C) Always reduce storage usage
- D) Are created automatically on all columns

Answer: B

39. Which SQL command lists all constraints of a table?

- A) SHOW KEYS
- B) DESCRIBE
- C) INFORMATION_SCHEMA queries
- D) All of the above (depending on DBMS)

Answer: D

40. Which keyword is used for pattern matching in SQL?

- A) BETWEEN
- B) LIKE
- C) IN
- D) EXISTS

Answer: B

41. Which SQL function returns the smallest value?

- A) LEAST() / MIN()
- B) LOW()
- C) MINIMUM()
- D) SMALLEST()

Answer: A

42. Which operator compares a value with every value returned by a subquery?

- A) ALL

- B) ANY
- C) IN
- D) EXISTS

Answer: A

43. Which clause is mandatory in an aggregate query?

- A) GROUP BY
- B) WHERE
- C) FROM
- D) HAVING

Answer: C

44. Which SQL function returns the current date and time?

- A) GETDATE()
- B) CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
- C) NOW()
- D) All of the above (depends on DBMS)

Answer: D

45. Which SQL command permanently deletes a database?

- A) DROP DATABASE
- B) REMOVE DATABASE
- C) DELETE DATABASE
- D) ERASE DATABASE

Answer: A

46. Which SQL clause restricts rows before grouping happens?

- A) WHERE
- B) HAVING
- C) GROUP BY
- D) LIMIT

Answer: A

47. Which of these is NOT a valid SQL data type?

- A) VARCHAR
- B) NUMBER
- C) BOOLEAN (not in standard SQL)
- D) FLOAT

Answer: C

48. Which SQL statement is used to create an index?

- A) CREATE INDEX
- B) ADD INDEX
- C) MAKE INDEX
- D) ALTER TABLE INDEX

Answer: A

49. Which SQL command is used to restore data after accidental deletion (if backup exists)?

- A) ROLLBACK
- B) COMMIT
- C) RESTORE

D) RECOVER

Answer: A

50. Which constraint ensures values in a column fall within a certain range?

A) CHECK

B) DEFAULT

C) UNIQUE

D) NOT NULL

Answer: A