SQL COMMANDS



With a simple explanation.

- SELECT retrieves data from a database
- INSERT inserts new data into a database
- UPDATE updates existing data in a database
- DELETE deletes data from a database
- CREATE DATABASE creates a new database
- CREATE TABLE creates a new table in a database
- ALTER TABLE modifies an existing table structure
- DROP TABLE deletes a table from a database
- TRUNCATE TABLE removes all records from a table
- 10. CREATE INDEX creates an index on a table
- 11. DROP INDEX deletes an index from a table
- JOIN combines rows from two or more tables based on a related column
- 13. INNER JOIN returns rows when there is a match in both tables
- 14. LEFT JOIN returns all rows from the left table, and the matched rows from the right table
- 15. RIGHT JOIN returns all rows from the right table, and the matched rows from the left table
- 16. FULL JOIN returns rows when there is a match in one of the tables
- 17. UNION combines the results of two or more SELECT statements
- UNION ALL combines the results of two or more SELECT statements, including duplicates
- GROUP BY groups rows that have the same values into summary rows
- HAVING filters records based on a specified condition
- 21. ORDER BY sorts the result set in ascending or descending order
- 22. COUNT returns the number of rows that satisfy the condition
- SUM calculates the sum of a set of values
- 24. AVG calculates the average of a set of values
- 25. MIN returns the smallest value in a set of values
- 26. MAX returns the largest value in a set of values
- 27. DISTINCT selects unique values from a column
- 28. WHERE filters records based on specified conditions

- 29. AND combines multiple conditions in a WHERE clause
- 30. OR specifies multiple alternative conditions in a WHERE clause
- 31. NOT negates a condition in a WHERE clause
- 32. BETWEEN selects values within a specified range
- 33. IN specifies multiple values for a column
- 34. LIKE selects rows that match a specified pattern
- 35. IS NULL checks for NULL values in a column
- 36. IS NOT NULL checks for non-NULL values in a column
- 37. **EXISTS** tests for the existence of any record in a subquery
- 38. CASE performs conditional logic in SQL statements
- 39. WHEN -specifies conditions in a CASE statement
- 40. THEN specifies the result if a condition is true in a CASE statement
- ELSE specifies the result if no condition is true in a CASE statement
- 42. END ends the CASE statement
- 43. PRIMARY KEY uniquely identifies each record in a table
- 44. FOREIGN KEY establishes a relationship between tables
- 45. CONSTRAINT enforces rules for data in a table
- 46. **DEFAULT** -specifies a default value for a column
- 47. NOT NULL ensures that a column cannot contain NULL values
- 48. UNIQUE ensures that all values in a column are unique
- 49. CHECK enforces a condition on the values in a column
- 50. CASCADE automatically performs a specified action on related records
- 51. SET NULL sets the value of foreign key columns to NULL when a referenced record is deleted
- 52. SET DEFAULT sets the value of foreign key columns to their default value when a referenced record is deleted
- 53. NO ACTION specifies that no action should be taken on related records when a referenced record is deleted
- 54. RESTRICT restricts the deletion of a referenced record if there are related records
- 55. CASE WHEN -conditional expression in SELECT statements

- 56. WITH defines a common table expression (CTE)
- 57. INTO specifies a target table for the result set of a SELECT statement
- 58. **TOP** limits the number of rows returned by a query
- 59. LIMIT limits the number of rows returned by a query (used in some SQL dialects)
- 60. OFFSET -specifies the number of rows to skip before starting to return rows
- 61. FETCH retrieves rows from a result set one at a time
- 62. ROW_NUMBER() assigns a unique sequential integer to each row in a result set
- 63. RANK() assigns a unique rank to each row in a result set, with gaps in the ranking sequence possible
- 64. DENSE_RANK() assigns a unique rank to each row in a result set, with no gaps in the ranking sequence
- 65. NTILE() divides the result set into a specified number of equally sized groups
- 66. **LEAD()** retrieves the value from the next row in a result set
- 67. LAG() retrieves the value from the previous row in a result set
- 68. **PARTITION BY** divides the result set into partitions to which the window function is applied separately
- 69. ORDER BY specifies the order of rows within each partition for window functions
- 70. ROWS specifies the window frame for window functions
- 71. RANGE specifies the window frame based on values rather than rows for window functions
- 72. CURRENT_TIMESTAMP returns the current date and time
- 73. CURRENT_DATE returns the current date
- 74. CURRENT_TIME returns the current time
- 75. DATEADD adds a specified time interval to a date
- 76. DATEDIFF calculates the difference between two dates
- 77. DATEPART extracts a specific part of a date

- 78. GETDATE returns the current date and time (similar to CURRENT_TIMESTAMP)
- 79. GROUPING SETS specifies multiple groupings for aggregation
- 80. CUBE generates all possible combinations of grouping sets for aggregation
- 81. ROLLUP generates subtotal values for a hierarchy of values
- 82. INTERSECT returns the intersection of two result sets
- 83. EXCEPT returns the difference between two result sets
- 84. **MERGE** performs insert, update, or delete operations on a target table based on the results of a join with a source table
- 85. CROSS APPLY performs a correlated subquery against each row of the outer table
- 86. OUTER APPLY similar to CROSS APPLY, but also returns rows from the outer table that have no matching rows in the inner table
- 87. PIVOT rotates a table-valued expression by turning the unique values from one column into multiple columns in the output
- 88. UNPIVOT rotates a table-valued expression by turning multiple columns into unique rows in the output
- 89. COALESCE returns the first non-NULL expression in a list
- 90. NULLIF returns NULL if the two specified expressions are equal, otherwise returns the first expression
- 91. IIF returns one of two values based on a Boolean expression
- 92. CONCAT concatenates two or more strings
- 93. SUBSTRING extracts a substring from a string
- 94. CHARINDEX finds the position of a substring within a string
- 95. **REPLACE** replaces all occurrences of a specified substring within a string with another substring
- 96. LEN returns the length of a string
- 97. UPPER converts a string to uppercase
- 98. LOWER converts a string to lowercase
- 99. TRIM removes leading and trailing spaces from a string
- 100. ROUND rounds a numeric value to a specified number of decimal places.

Remember that practice is the key here. It will be more clear and perfect with continuous practice.