MySQL Database Triggers

SQL statements that are AUTOMATICALLY RUN when a specific table is changed

The Syntax

```
CREATE TRIGGER trigger_name

trigger_time trigger_event ON table_name FOR EACH ROW

BEGIN

...

END;
```

The Syntax

trigger_time trigger_event ON table_name

BEFORE INSERT photos

AFTER UPDATE users

DELETE

A Simple Validation

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER must be adult
     BEFORE INSERT ON users FOR EACH ROW
     BEGIN
          IF NEW.age < 18
          THEN
              SIGNAL SQLSTATE '45000'
                     SET MESSAGE TEXT = 'Must be an adult!';
          END IF;
     END;
$$
DELIMITER ;
```

Run Code First. Ask Questions Later.

Refers to data that is about to be inserted

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER must be adult
     BEFORE INSERT ON people FOR EACH ROW
     BEGIN
          IF NEW.age < 18
          THEN
              SIGNAL SQLSTATE '45000'
                    SET MESSAGE TEXT = 'Must be an adult!';
          END IF;
     END;
$$
DELIMITER ;
```

It's a long story....

```
DELIMITER $$
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     BEFORE INSERT ON people FOR EACH ROW
     BEGIN
          IF NEW.age < 18</pre>
          THEN
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     END;
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```

MySQL Errors

```
A numeric error code (1146). This number is MySQL-specific
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```
A five-character SQLSTATE value ('42S02'). The values are taken from ANSI SQL and ODBC and are more standardized.
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A message string - textual description of the error

Do something to cause an error, like...

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SELECT * FROM kjhsadkjhas;

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SELECT * FROM kjhsadkjhas;



ERROR 1146 (42S02): Table 'ig_clone.kjhsadkjhas' doesn't exist

45000

A generic state representing "unhandled user-defined exception"

```
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     BEFORE INSERT ON people FOR EACH ROW
     BEGIN
          IF NEW.age < 18
          THEN
              SIGNAL SQLSTATE '45000'
                    SET MESSAGE TEXT = 'Must be an adult!';
          END IF;
     END;
$$
DELIMITER ;
```

WHAT IS THIS?!

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER must be a ult
     BEFORE INSERT ON people FOR EACH ROW
     BEGIN
          IF NEW.age
          THEN
              SIGNAL SQLSTATE '45000'
                    SET MESSAGE_TEXT = 'Must be an adult!';
          END IF
     END;
$$
DELIMITER ;
```

Preventing Self-Follows

```
DELIMITER $$

CREATE TRIGGER trigger_name
          trigger_time trigger_event ON table_name FOR EACH ROW
          BEGIN
          END;
$$

DELIMITER ;
```



Preventing Self-Follows

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER example cannot follow self
     BEFORE INSERT ON follows FOR EACH ROW
     BEGIN
          IF NEW.follower id = NEW.following id
          THEN
               SIGNAL SQLSTATE '45000'
                    SET MESSAGE TEXT = 'Cannot follow yourse!
          END IF;
     END;
$$
DELIMITER ;
```

Logging Unfollows



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Managing Triggers

Listing Triggers

SHOW TRIGGERS;

Removing Triggers

DROP TRIGGER trigger_name;

A WORD OF WARNING

Triggers can make debugging hard!

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