Let's start with a table named Orders, then create **10 SQL Server views** where each is posed as a **question** (use case) with its **SQL answer**.

Mase Table: Orders

```
CREATE TABLE Orders (
OrderID INT PRIMARY KEY IDENTITY(1,1),
CustomerName NVARCHAR(100),
ProductName NVARCHAR(100),
Quantity INT,
Price DECIMAL(10, 2),
OrderDate DATE
);
```

Sample Insert

INSERT INTO Orders (CustomerName, ProductName, Quantity, Price, OrderDate)

VALUES

```
('Alice', 'Laptop', 1, 1200.00, '2023-10-01'),
('Bob', 'Phone', 2, 800.00, '2023-11-15'),
('Charlie', 'Monitor', 1, 300.00, '2023-11-20'),
('Alice', 'Mouse', 3, 25.00, '2023-12-01'),
('Diana', 'Keyboard', 2, 45.00, '2024-01-05'),
('Eve', 'Laptop', 1, 1300.00, '2024-01-10'),
('Bob', 'Headphones', 2, 150.00, '2024-02-01'),
('Alice', 'Webcam', 1, 75.00, '2024-02-15'),
```

```
('Charlie', 'Mouse', 2, 25.00, '2024-03-01'),
('Diana', 'Monitor', 1, 310.00, '2024-03-15');
```

10 Views: Questions with SQL Answers

1. What are the total sales per customer?

CREATE VIEW vw_TotalSalesPerCustomer AS

SELECT

CustomerName,

SUM(Quantity * Price) AS TotalSpent

FROM Orders

GROUP BY CustomerName;

2. What are the orders made in 2024?

CREATE VIEW vw_OrdersIn2024 AS

SELECT *

FROM Orders

WHERE YEAR(OrderDate) = 2024;

3. Which products were ordered more than once (across all customers)?

CREATE VIEW vw_MultiOrderedProducts AS

SELECT ProductName, COUNT(*) AS OrderCount
FROM Orders
GROUP BY ProductName

4. What is the average order value per product?

CREATE VIEW vw_AvgOrderValuePerProduct AS

SELECT

ProductName,

HAVING COUNT(*) > 1;

AVG(Quantity * Price) AS AvgOrderValue

FROM Orders

GROUP BY ProductName;

5. Who are the top 3 customers by total spend?

CREATE VIEW vw_Top3CustomersBySpend AS

SELECT TOP 3

CustomerName,

SUM(Quantity * Price) AS TotalSpent

FROM Orders

GROUP BY CustomerName

ORDER BY TotalSpent DESC;

6. What were the orders placed in the last 30 days?
CREATE VIEW vw_RecentOrders AS
SELECT *
FROM Orders
WHERE OrderDate >= DATEADD(DAY, -30, GETDATE());
7. What are the total quantities ordered per product?
CREATE VIEW vw_TotalQuantityPerProduct AS
SELECT
ProductName,
SUM(Quantity) AS TotalQuantity
FROM Orders
GROUP BY ProductName;
8. Which customers have ordered more than 3 products in total (cumulative quantity)?
CREATE VIEW vw_HeavyBuyers AS
SELECT
CustomerName,
SUM(Quantity) AS TotalQuantity
FROM Orders
GROUP BY CustomerName

```
HAVING SUM(Quantity) > 3;
```

9. What is the monthly sales summary?

CREATE VIEW vw_MonthlySales AS

SELECT

FORMAT(OrderDate, 'yyyy-MM') AS OrderMonth,

SUM(Quantity * Price) AS TotalSales

FROM Orders

GROUP BY FORMAT(OrderDate, 'yyyy-MM');

10. What is the total revenue per product per month?

CREATE VIEW vw_ProductRevenueByMonth AS

SELECT

ProductName,

FORMAT(OrderDate, 'yyyy-MM') AS OrderMonth,

SUM(Quantity * Price) AS Revenue

FROM Orders

GROUP BY ProductName, FORMAT(OrderDate, 'yyyy-MM');

Would you like to materialize any of these into indexed views for performance optimization?

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Here are **5 practical stored procedure examples** in SQL Server based on the Orders table. Each one demonstrates a different use case:

1. Add a New Order

CREATE PROCEDURE usp_AddOrder

@CustomerName NVARCHAR(100),

@ProductName NVARCHAR(100),

@Quantity INT,

@Price DECIMAL(10, 2),

@OrderDate DATE

AS

BEGIN

INSERT INTO Orders (CustomerName, ProductName, Quantity, Price, OrderDate)

VALUES (@CustomerName, @ProductName, @Quantity, @Price, @OrderDate);

END;

2. Get Orders by Customer

✓ 3. Get Total Revenue Between Dates

CREATE PROCEDURE usp_GetRevenueBetweenDates
 @StartDate DATE,
 @EndDate DATE

AS

BEGIN

SELECT

SUM(Quantity * Price) AS TotalRevenue

FROM Orders

```
WHERE OrderDate BETWEEN @StartDate AND @EndDate; END;
```

4. Update Order Quantity

```
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_UpdateOrderQuantity
    @OrderID INT,
    @NewQuantity INT

AS

BEGIN
    UPDATE Orders
    SET Quantity = @NewQuantity
    WHERE OrderID = @OrderID;

END;
```

5. Delete Order by ID

```
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_DeleteOrder
@OrderID INT
AS
BEGIN
DELETE FROM Orders
WHERE OrderID = @OrderID;
END;
```

You can call any of these using the EXEC statement. For example:

```
EXEC usp_AddOrder

@CustomerName = 'Frank',

@ProductName = 'Tablet',

@Quantity = 2,

@Price = 450.00,

@OrderDate = '2024-05-01';
```

Would you like examples with output parameters or transactions with rollback logic?

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Here's an example using **3 related tables** with **foreign keys**, followed by **5 views** that demonstrate **JOINs** across these tables in SQL Server.

```
Tables
```

1. Customers

```
CREATE TABLE Customers (
  CustomerID INT PRIMARY KEY IDENTITY(1,1),
  CustomerName NVARCHAR(100),
  Email NVARCHAR(100)
);
2. Products
CREATE TABLE Products (
  ProductID INT PRIMARY KEY IDENTITY(1,1),
  ProductName NVARCHAR(100),
  UnitPrice DECIMAL(10, 2)
);
3. Orders
CREATE TABLE Orders (
  OrderID INT PRIMARY KEY IDENTITY(1,1),
  CustomerID INT FOREIGN KEY REFERENCES Customers(CustomerID),
```

ProductID INT FOREIGN KEY REFERENCES Products(ProductID),

```
Quantity INT,
OrderDate DATE
);
```

☑ Sample Inserts

-- Customers

```
{\tt INSERT\ INTO\ Customers\ (CustomerName,\ Email)}
```

```
VALUES ('Alice', 'alice@example.com'),
```

('Bob', 'bob@example.com');

-- Products

INSERT INTO Products (ProductName, UnitPrice)

VALUES ('Laptop', 1200), ('Mouse', 25), ('Monitor', 300);

-- Orders

INSERT INTO Orders (CustomerID, ProductID, Quantity, OrderDate)

VALUES

```
(1, 1, 1, '2024-04-01'),
```

(1, 2, 3, '2024-04-05'),

(2, 3, 2, '2024-04-10');

© Views with JOINs

1. Full Order Details (Customer + Product Info)

Which customers ordered which products and how much did it cost?

CREATE VIEW vw_FullOrderDetails AS

```
SELECT
```

- o.OrderID,
- c.CustomerName,
- p.ProductName,
- o.Quantity,
- p.UnitPrice,
- (o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalPrice,
- o.OrderDate

FROM Orders o

JOIN Customers c ON o.CustomerID = c.CustomerID

JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID;

2. Customer Order Summary

How many orders and total spend per customer?

CREATE VIEW vw_CustomerOrderSummary AS

SELECT

c.CustomerName,

COUNT(o.OrderID) AS TotalOrders,

SUM(o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalSpent

FROM Customers c

```
JOIN Orders o ON c.CustomerID = o.CustomerID

JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID

GROUP BY c.CustomerName;
```

3. Product Sales Summary

How many units of each product were sold?

CREATE VIEW vw_ProductSalesSummary AS

SELECT

p.ProductName,

SUM(o.Quantity) AS TotalUnitsSold,

SUM(o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalRevenue

FROM Products p

JOIN Orders o ON p.ProductID = o.ProductID

GROUP BY p.ProductName;

4. Orders by Date with Customer and Product Info

What are the full details of all orders by date?

CREATE VIEW vw_OrdersByDate AS

SELECT

- o.OrderDate,
- c.CustomerName,
- p.ProductName,
- o.Quantity,

```
(o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS OrderValue

FROM Orders o

JOIN Customers c ON o.CustomerID = c.CustomerID

JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID

ORDER BY o.OrderDate;
```

5. High Value Orders (> \$500)

Which orders exceed \$500 in value?

CREATE VIEW vw_HighValueOrders AS

SELECT

- o.OrderID,
- c.CustomerName,
- p.ProductName,
- o.Quantity,
- (o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS OrderTotal

FROM Orders o

JOIN Customers c ON o.CustomerID = c.CustomerID

JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID

WHERE (o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) > 500;

Would you like to see aggregated views with window functions or filtered views for reports (e.g. monthly revenue)?

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Here are **5 stored procedures** that interact with the Customers, Products, and Orders tables using **joins**, **inserts**, **and aggregations**.

```
1. Add New Order
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_AddOrder
@CustomerID INT,
@ProductID INT,
@Quantity INT,
@OrderDate DATE
AS
BEGIN
INSERT INTO Orders (CustomerID, ProductID, Quantity, OrderDate)
VALUES (@CustomerID, @ProductID, @Quantity, @OrderDate);
END;
```

2. Get Full Order Details for a Specific Customer

```
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_GetCustomerOrderDetails
  @CustomerID INT
AS
BEGIN
  SELECT
    o.OrderID,
    c.CustomerName,
    p.ProductName,
    o.Quantity,
    p.UnitPrice,
    (o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalPrice,
    o.OrderDate
  FROM Orders o
  JOIN Customers c ON o.CustomerID = c.CustomerID
  JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID
  WHERE o.CustomerID = @CustomerID;
END;
```

3. Get Total Sales for a Product

```
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_GetProductSales
@ProductID INT

AS

BEGIN
SELECT
p.ProductName,
SUM(o.Quantity) AS TotalUnitsSold,
SUM(o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalRevenue
FROM Orders o
JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID
WHERE p.ProductID = @ProductID
GROUP BY p.ProductName;
END;
```

4. Update Customer Email

```
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_UpdateCustomerEmail
    @CustomerID INT,
    @NewEmail NVARCHAR(100)

AS

BEGIN
    UPDATE Customers
    SET Email = @NewEmail
    WHERE CustomerID = @CustomerID;

END;
```

5. Delete All Orders for a Customer

```
CREATE PROCEDURE usp_DeleteOrdersByCustomer
@CustomerID INT
AS
BEGIN
DELETE FROM Orders
WHERE CustomerID = @CustomerID;
END;
```

You can execute any procedure like this:

EXEC usp_GetCustomerOrderDetails @CustomerID = 1;

Would you like examples that include transactions, error handling, or output parameters?

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Yes, in **SQL Server**, you can use the ALTER statement to **modify both stored procedures and views** without having to drop and recreate them. Here's how it works:

ALTER PROCEDURE

Used to **modify** an existing stored procedure:

ALTER PROCEDURE usp_AddOrder

- @CustomerID INT,
- @ProductID INT,
- @Quantity INT,
- @OrderDate DATE

AS

BEGIN

-- Modified logic here

PRINT 'Inserting new order...';

INSERT INTO Orders (CustomerID, ProductID, Quantity, OrderDate)

VALUES (@CustomerID, @ProductID, @Quantity, @OrderDate);

END:

MALTER VIEW

Used to **update** an existing view definition:

ALTER VIEW vw_CustomerOrderSummary AS

SELECT

c.CustomerName,

COUNT(o.OrderID) AS TotalOrders,

SUM(o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalSpent

FROM Customers c

JOIN Orders o ON c.CustomerID = o.CustomerID

JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID

GROUP BY c.CustomerName;

☑ Why Use ALTER?

- Preserves permissions and dependencies.
- Avoids issues from dropping and recreating objects (especially in production environments).
- Clean way to version control SQL logic changes.

Would you like a script to check if a view or procedure exists before altering or creating it?

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In SQL Server, a stored procedure is a set of SQL statements that can be executed on demand. Here's an example of a stored procedure with input parameters and output results.

Example 1: Simple Stored Procedure with Input and Output

This example demonstrates a stored procedure that takes an input parameter (@EmployeeID) and returns details about that employee.

```
CREATE PROCEDURE GetEmployeeDetails

@EmployeeID INT

AS

BEGIN

SELECT FirstName, LastName, Department, Salary
FROM Employees

WHERE EmployeeID = @EmployeeID;

END;
```

Explanation:

- Input Parameter: @EmployeeID (an integer representing the employee's ID).
- Output: The procedure returns the employee's first name, last name, department, and salary.

To Execute the Procedure:

EXEC GetEmployeeDetails @EmployeeID = 101;

This will output the details of the employee with EmployeeID = 101.

Example 2: Stored Procedure with Output Parameters

This example calculates and returns the total salary of all employees in a specific department. It uses an output parameter.

```
CREATE PROCEDURE GetDepartmentSalaryTotal
@DepartmentName VARCHAR(50),
@TotalSalary DECIMAL(18,2) OUTPUT

AS

BEGIN
SELECT @TotalSalary = SUM(Salary)
FROM Employees
WHERE Department = @DepartmentName;

END;
```

Explanation:

- Input Parameter: @DepartmentName (a string representing the department name).
- Output Parameter: @TotalSalary (a decimal number that will hold the sum of all salaries in the department).

To Execute the Procedure:

DECLARE @Total DECIMAL(18,2);

EXEC GetDepartmentSalaryTotal @DepartmentName = 'Sales', @TotalSalary = @Total OUTPUT;

SELECT @Total AS TotalSalary;

This will calculate the total salary for all employees in the 'Sales' department and output the result.

Example 3: Stored Procedure Returning a Table (Table-Valued Output)

In this example, the procedure returns a result set (table) of employees working in a specific department.

```
CREATE PROCEDURE GetEmployeesByDepartment
@DepartmentName VARCHAR(50)

AS

BEGIN

SELECT EmployeeID, FirstName, LastName, Salary
FROM Employees

WHERE Department = @DepartmentName;

END;
```

To Execute the Procedure:

EXEC GetEmployeesByDepartment @DepartmentName = 'Marketing';

This will return a table of employees in the 'Marketing' department, including their employee ID, first name, last name, and salary.

These are simple examples to demonstrate the concept of stored procedures with input and output in SQL Server. You can modify these to meet more specific needs, such as handling more complex logic or using different data types.

Sure! Here's a complete example of a **stored procedure with an output parameter** in **Microsoft SQL Server**, along with how to create and execute it.

Stored Procedure with Output Parameter

Example: Return the full name of an employee given their ID

Step 1: Create the table (if needed for testing)

CREATE TABLE Employees (
EmployeeID INT PRIMARY KEY,
FirstName NVARCHAR(50).

```
LastName NVARCHAR(50)
);
-- Insert sample data
INSERT INTO Employees (EmployeeID, FirstName, LastName)
VALUES (1, 'John', 'Doe'), (2, 'Jane', 'Smith');
```

Step 2: Create the procedure with an input and an output parameter

```
CREATE PROCEDURE GetEmployeeFullName

@EmpID INT, -- Input

@FullName NVARCHAR(101) OUTPUT -- Output

AS

BEGIN

SELECT @FullName = FirstName + ' ' + LastName

FROM Employees

WHERE EmployeeID = @EmpID;

END;
```

Step 3: Execute the procedure and get the output

DECLARE @Name NVARCHAR(101); -- Variable to receive the output

```
EXEC GetEmployeeFullName@EmpID = 1,@FullName = @Name OUTPUT;-- Display the outputSELECT @Name AS EmployeeFullName;
```



```
For @EmpID = 1, the result will be:
EmployeeFullName
-----
John Doe
```

Would you like an example that **returns multiple values** or **a table result along with output** as well?

Here are three more SQL Server stored procedure examples using output parameters, showing different use cases. Each one includes how to execute it.

Example 1: Calculate Bonus Based on Salary

```
Procedure: CalculateBonus
CREATE PROCEDURE CalculateBonus
  @EmployeeID INT,
  @Bonus DECIMAL(10, 2) OUTPUT
AS
BEGIN
  DECLARE @Salary DECIMAL(10, 2);
  SELECT @Salary = Salary FROM Employees WHERE EmployeeID = @EmployeeID;
  -- Bonus is 10% of Salary
  SET @Bonus = @Salary * 0.10;
END;
Execute:
DECLARE @MyBonus DECIMAL(10,2);
EXEC CalculateBonus
  @EmployeeID = 2,
  @Bonus = @MyBonus OUTPUT;
```

Example 2: Get Count of Employees in a Department

Procedure: CountEmployeesByDepartment

SELECT @MyBonus AS BonusAmount;

CREATE PROCEDURE CountEmployeesByDepartment @DeptName NVARCHAR(50),

```
@EmpCount INT OUTPUT
AS
BEGIN
SELECT @EmpCount = COUNT(*)
FROM Employees
WHERE Department = @DeptName;
END;

Execute:
DECLARE @Count INT;

EXEC CountEmployeesByDepartment
@DeptName = 'HR',
@EmpCount = @Count OUTPUT;

SELECT @Count AS TotalEmployees;
```

Example 3: Return Highest Paid Employee in a Department

```
Procedure: GetTopEarner
```

```
CREATE PROCEDURE GetTopEarner

@DeptName NVARCHAR(50),

@TopEarnerName NVARCHAR(101) OUTPUT,

@TopSalary DECIMAL(10, 2) OUTPUT

AS

BEGIN

SELECT TOP 1

@TopEarnerName = FirstName + ' ' + LastName,

@TopSalary = Salary

FROM Employees

WHERE Department = @DeptName

ORDER BY Salary DESC;

END;
```

Execute:

DECLARE @Name NVARCHAR(101), @Salary DECIMAL(10,2);

```
EXEC GetTopEarner
  @DeptName = 'Sales',
  @TopEarnerName = @Name OUTPUT,
  @TopSalary = @Salary OUTPUT;
```

SELECT @Name AS TopEarner, @Salary AS Salary;

These examples demonstrate common tasks like computations, aggregates, and retrieving top values using output parameters in SQL Server stored procedures.

Would you like an example involving input/output together with a table-valued return or error handling next?

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  @ProductID INT,
  @Quantity INT,
  @OrderDate DATE
AS
```

BEGIN

-- Modified logic here PRINT 'Inserting new order...'; INSERT INTO Orders (CustomerID, ProductID, Quantity, OrderDate) VALUES (@CustomerID, @ProductID, @Quantity, @OrderDate); END;

V ALTER VIEW

Used to **update** an existing view definition:

ALTER VIEW vw_CustomerOrderSummary AS

SELECT

c.CustomerName,
COUNT(o.OrderID) AS TotalOrders,
SUM(o.Quantity * p.UnitPrice) AS TotalSpent
FROM Customers c
JOIN Orders o ON c.CustomerID = o.CustomerID
JOIN Products p ON o.ProductID = p.ProductID
GROUP BY c.CustomerName;

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Great question!

In **SQL Server**, the UPDATE statement is used to **modify data (rows)** in a table—not the **structure** of objects like views or procedures. Here's how it compares and what each is used for:

✓ UPDATE – for data rows

Used to change existing data in tables.

-- Update quantity for a specific orderUPDATE OrdersSET Quantity = 5WHERE OrderID = 1;

You can also update via joins:

-- Increase unit price for 'Mouse' in the Products table UPDATE p
SET p.UnitPrice = p.UnitPrice + 5
FROM Products p
JOIN Orders o ON p.ProductID = o.ProductID
WHERE p.ProductName = 'Mouse';

X UPDATE Cannot Be Used To:

- Modify stored procedure code → use ALTER PROCEDURE
- Modify view definitions → use ALTER VIEW
- Change table structure (columns, types) → use ALTER TABLE

Quick Summary:

Command	Purpose
UPDATE	Modify data in tables
ALTER PROCEDURE	Modify stored procedure definition
ALTER VIEW	Modify view definition
ALTER TABLE	Modify table structure

Want an example where you UPDATE data using a view with INSTEAD OF trigger?

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The key difference between ALTER and UPDATE in SQL Server lies in what they change:

ALTER — Changes the Structure (Schema)

- Used to modify database objects like:
 - Tables (ALTER TABLE)
 - Views (ALTER VIEW)
 - Stored Procedures (ALTER PROCEDURE)
 - o Functions, Triggers, Schemas, etc.
- Does not affect data, only the structure or logic.

Example:

ALTER TABLE Orders
ADD OrderStatus NVARCHAR(50); -- Adds a new column

📏 UPDATE — Changes the Data (Rows)

- Used to modify existing data in tables.
- Works on the values inside rows, not on table or object definitions.

Example:

UPDATE Orders SET Quantity = 10 WHERE OrderID = 3;

Analogy

Think of a table as a spreadsheet:

Action What it Changes Analogy

ALTER The structure (columns, logic) Adding/removing columns

UPDAT E	The data inside cells	Editing cell values		
Would you like a diagram or cheat sheet summarizing all DDL vs. DML differences?				

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