

EXERCISE-4

Writing Basic SQL SELECT Statements

OBJECTIVES

After the completion of this exercise, the students will be able to do the following:

- List the capabilities of SQL SELECT Statement
- Execute a basic SELECT statement

Capabilities of SQL SELECT statement

A SELECT statement retrieves information from the database. Using a select statement, we can perform

- ✓ Projection: To choose the columns in a table
- ✓ Selection: To choose the rows in a table
- ✓ Joining: To bring together the data that is stored in different tables

Basic SELECT Statement

Syntax

```
SELECT *|DISTINCT Column_name| alias  
FROM table_name;
```

NOTE:

DISTINCT—Suppress the duplicates.

Alias—gives selected columns different headings.

Example: 1

```
SELECT * FROM departments;
```

Example: 2

```
SELECT location_id, department_id FROM departments;
```

Writing SQL Statements

- SQL statements are not case sensitive
- SQL statements can be on one or more lines.
- Keywords cannot be abbreviated or split across lines
- Clauses are usually placed on separate lines
- Indents are used to enhance readability

Using Arithmetic Expressions

Basic Arithmetic operators like *, /, +, - can be used

Example:1

```
SELECT last_name, salary, salary+300 FROM employees;
```

Example:2

```
SELECT last_name, salary, 12*salary+100 FROM employees;
```

The statement is not same as

```
SELECT last_name, salary, 12*(salary+100) FROM employees;
```

FROM employees;

Queries

Select employee-id, last_name, salary * 12 as
Annual Salary from employees

2. Show the structure of departments table. Select all the data from it.

~~Describe departments~~
Select * from departments

3. Create a query to display the last name, job code, hire date, and employee number for each employee, with employee number appearing first.

Select employee-id, last_name, job-id, hire_date
from employees

4. Provide an alias STARTDATE for the hire date.

Select employee-id, last_name, job-id, hire_date
as 'Start Date' from employees

5. Create a query to display unique job codes from the employee table.

Select distinct job-id from employees;

6. Display the last name concatenated with the job ID, separated by a comma and space, and name the column EMPLOYEE and TITLE.

Select last_name || ',' || job-id as "Employee and Title"
from employees

7. Create a query to display all the data from the employees table. Separate each column by a comma. Name the column THE_OUTPUT.

Select employee-id || ',' || last_name || ',' || job-id || ','
Salary as the_output from employees;

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