| **Category** | **Description** | **Examples of Commands** |
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| **DDL** (Data Definition Language) | Used to define or modify the structure of a database, such as tables, indexes, and schemas. | CREATE, ALTER, DROP, TRUNCATE |

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| **DML** (Data Manipulation Language) | Used to manipulate data stored in the database, such as inserting, updating, or deleting records. | INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, MERGE |

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| **DCL** (Data Control Language) | Used to control access to the database by granting or revoking permissions. | GRANT, REVOKE |

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| **TCL** (Transaction Control Language) | Used to manage transactions, ensuring data consistency and integrity during multi-step operations. | COMMIT, ROLLBACK, SAVEPOINT |

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| **DQL** (Data Query Language) | Used to query and retrieve data from the database. Often considered a subset of DML. | SELECT |