Data Technician

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Day 1: Task 1

Please research and complete the below boxes on common laws and regulations that must be followed when working with customers data, use the below bulleted list to support your answers.

- What is it
- Why is it important
- Provide a real-world example of how you can follow it
- How does it impact working with data
- What could happen if you breached it

Data
Protection
Act

What is it:

The Data Protection Act (UK, 2018) is a law that controls how personal information is used by organizations, businesses, and the government. It works alongside the GDPR.

• Why is it important:

It ensures individuals' privacy is respected and that organizations handle data fairly, lawfully, and transparently.

• Real-world example:

A company collects customer emails for a newsletter. It must tell users how their data will be used and get consent before sending emails.

• How it impacts working with data:

Employees must ensure personal data is stored securely, used only for the intended purpose, and kept only as long as necessary.

• What could happen if you breached it:

You could face legal action, fines (up to £17.5 million or 4% of annual turnover), and damage to reputation.

What is it:

A regulation in EU law (also applied in the UK) that governs how personal data is processed and gives individuals more control over their information.

Why is it important:

It strengthens data protection and gives individuals rights like access to their data, the right to be forgotten, and data portability.

GDPR

Real-world example:

Before collecting customer data on a website, a company uses a consent form and allows users to opt in or out of cookies.

How it impacts working with data:

Staff must ensure data processing is transparent, secure, and that users can request changes or deletion of their data at any time.

What could happen if you breached it:

Heavy fines (up to €20 million or 4% of annual turnover), lawsuits, and loss of customer trust.

Freedom of Information Act

What is it:

A UK law giving the public the right to access information held by public authorities (e.g., councils, NHS, government departments).

Why is it important:

It promotes transparency and accountability in public services.

Real-world example:

A citizen requests information from a local council about how public money is being spent. The council must respond within 20 working days.

How it impacts working with data:

Employees in public sectors must organize and manage data properly to respond quickly and legally to requests.

What could happen if you breached it:

Failure to respond or deliberate obstruction can lead to investigations by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and penalties.

What is it:

A UK law that criminalizes unauthorized access to computer systems and data, including hacking and spreading malware.

Why is it important:

It protects systems and data from malicious attacks or unauthorized use.

Computer Misuse Act

Real-world example:

An employee accessing confidential files without permission, even out of curiosity, could be prosecuted under this act.

How it impacts working with data:

Access to systems and data must be strictly controlled, and staff must only use systems for authorized purposes.

What could happen if you breached it:

Penalties include criminal prosecution, fines, imprisonment, and job loss.

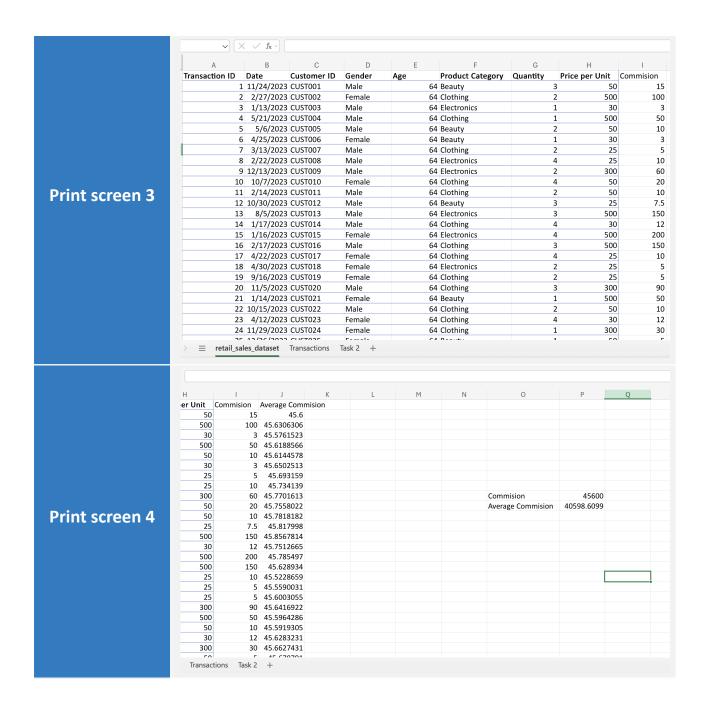
Day 2: Task 1

Please research and complete the following tasks within the retail-sales_dataset.xlsx document, paste a print screen into the provided boxes below:

- 1. In the sheet 'retail_sales_dataset' add all available data between columns A H into a 'table'

- Using the 'filter' function, filter 'Age' to 'largest to smallest'
 Using the 'SUM' function, show me the commission total in cell 'P10'
 Using the 'AVERAGE' function, show me the average commission in cell 'P11'

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Day 2: Task 2

Please research and complete the following tasks within the retail-sales_dataset.xlsx document, paste print screens into the provided box below:

Student name	English	Mathematic:	Science	Average	Highest score	
Carol	75	85	85			
Ted	80	75	90			
Khan	85	75	80			
Harry	80	70	80			
Sarah	80	70	80			
John	65	80	70			
Linda	90	50	70			
Edward	55	80	60			
Mary	55	70	65			
Thomas	55	30	65			
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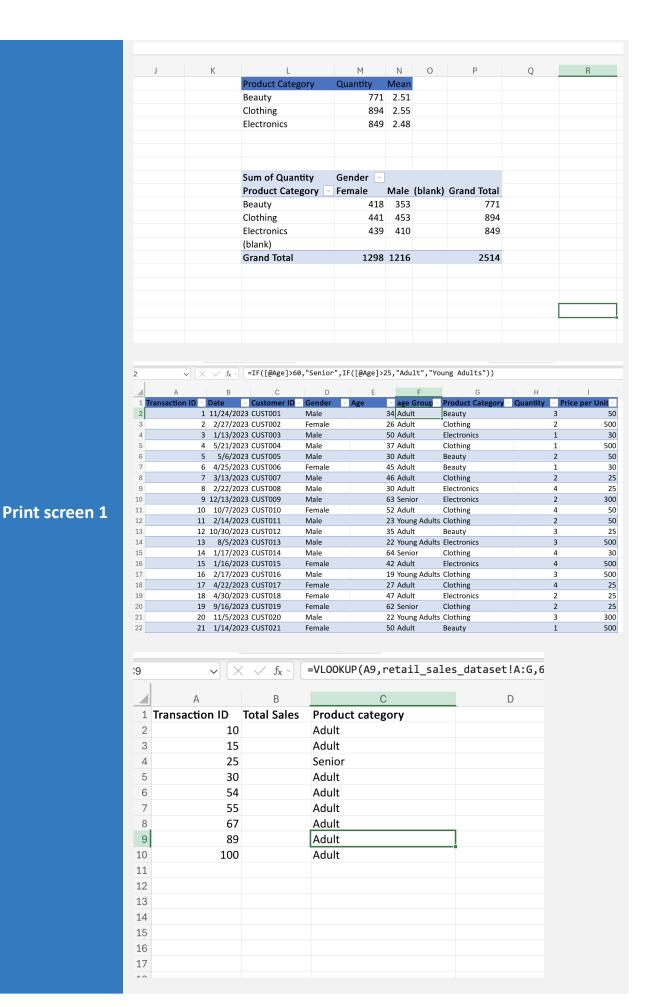
- 1) Apply filter and sorting to show the best students in each subject.
- 2) Calculate the average for all students and fill into Column E. (Use formula)
- 3) Using the =MAX fucntion, tell me what the students highest score was in column F.
- 4) Apply filter and sorting to show the best student in this classroom by average.
- 5) Apply filter and sorting to show the best student in this classroom by highest score.
- 6) Use conditional formatting to clearly identify the highest and lowest average scores

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Ted	80	75	90	81.666667	90	
Carol	75	85	85	81.666667	85	
Khan	85	75	80	80	85	
Harry	80	70	80	76.666667	80	
Sarah	80	70	80	76.666667	80	
John	65	80	70	71.666667	80	
Linda	90	50	70	70	90	
Mary	55	70	65	63.333333	70	
Thomas	55	30	65	50	65	
Edward	55	80	60	65	80	

Day 2: Task 3

Using the skills developed today, have some fun with the data set you have imported. Paste your work below and enjoy!



Day 3: Task 1

Please download the dataset 'Day_3_Task_1_Bike_Sales_Pivot_Lab.xlsx' from here.

The lab instructions can be found <u>here</u>. Do not worry if you do not complete the lab, just working with data and playing with the pivot table will be good experience.

Please paste your final pivot table below and complete the reflection questions:



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Day 3: Task 2

The dataset below tracks the sales performance of different products in various counties in England. Please paste the dataset into a blank Excel workbook. Your task is to:

- Create a Pivot Table to summarise the data by county and product.
- Use the SWITCH function to categorise products based on their sales volume.

Dataset:

County	Product	Sales Volume
Yorkshire	Laptops	500
Yorkshire	Smartphones	200
Cornwall	Laptops	700
Cornwall	Printers	400
Lancashire	Smartphones	150
Lancashire	Laptops	600

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Essex	Printers	800
Essex	Smartphones	300
Durham	Laptops	250
Durham	Printers	300
Greater Manchester	Smartphones	600
Greater Manchester	Laptops	400

Step 1: Create a Pivot Table

- Select the dataset (columns A to C).
- Insert a Pivot Table to summarise the data by **County** in the rows and **Products** in the columns. Use **Sales Volume** as the value to be summarised.

Step 2: Use the SWITCH Function

In a new column next to your data, use the SWITCH function to categorise products based on **Sales Volume** as follows:

- For sales greater than 600: "High"
- o For sales between 300 and 600: "Medium"
- o For sales less than 300: "Low"

SWITCH Function Example:

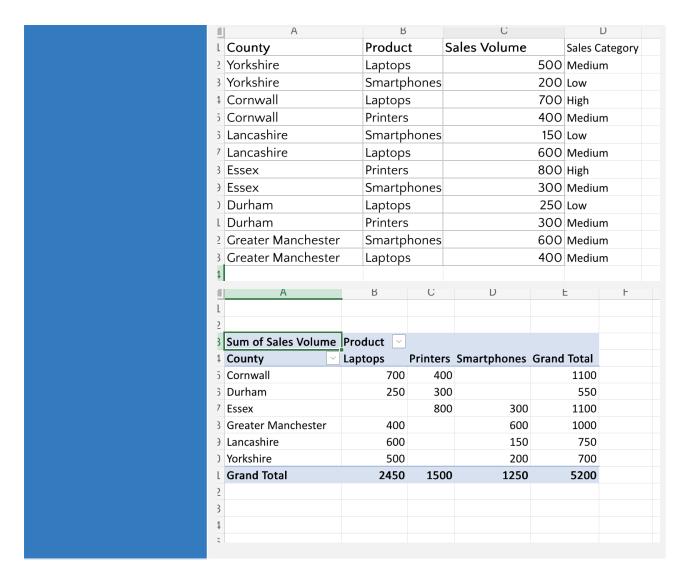
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=SWITCH(TRUE, C2 > 600, "High", C2 >= 300, "Medium", "Low")
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- Apply this formula to each row, and check if the products are categorised correctly.
- In 'Sales Volume' you need to remove the space after each amount
- Confirm the data type is numerical

Submission:

- A completed Pivot Table summarising sales by county and product.
- A new column in the dataset categorising products by sales volume using the SWITCH function.
 - o Please paste your completed work below

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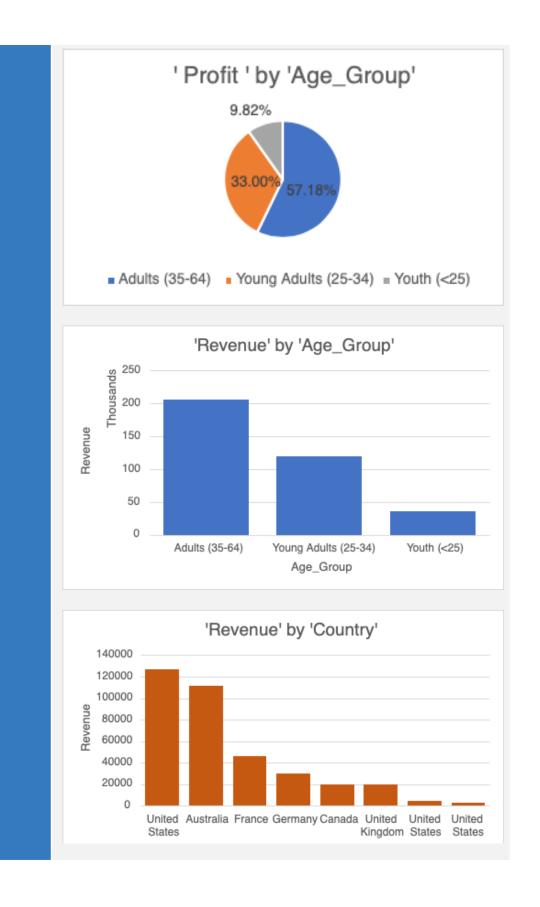
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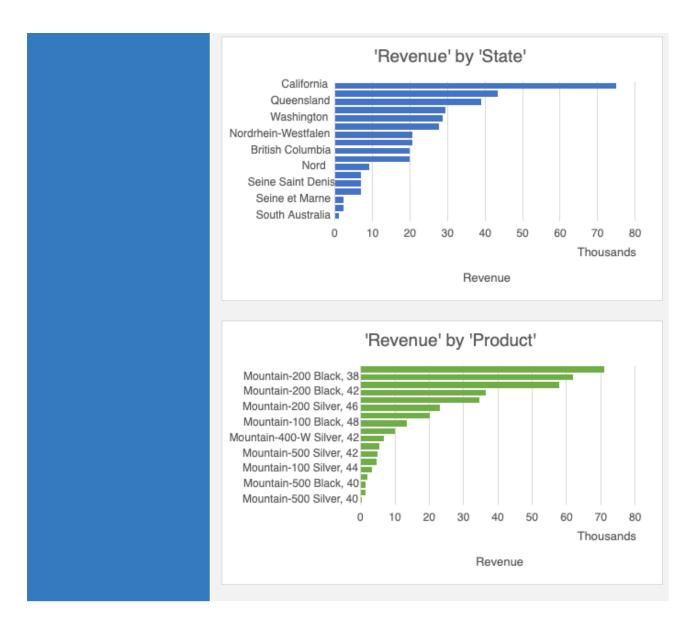
Please download the dataset 'Day_3_Task_3_Bike_Sales_Visualisations_Lab.xlsx' from here.

The lab instructions can be found <u>here</u>. Do not worry if you do not complete the lab, just working with data and playing with the charts will be good experience.

Please paste your results below:

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Day 4: Task 1

You have been asked to deliver your analysis findings to the board of directors, within your analysis you have identified that customers are leaving your company at the 12-month point, this is typically when they receive their renewal price.

Conduct research and complete the below questions:

How would you prepare for the delivery?

Understand Your Audience: Tailor your presentation to senior leaders who will be interested in clear, data-backed recommendations with business impact.

Craft a Clear Narrative:

• Problem: Customers leave at 12-month renewal.

•	Insight: Link this churn with pricing, customer
	experience, or retention strategies.

Action: Recommend a retention strategy.

Use Data to Support Claims: Highlight internal metrics (e.g., cost per employee, customer acquisition cost, payroll efficiency) to show potential ROI of retention strategies.

Practice Your Pitch: Rehearse with peers or record yourself to gain confidence and clarity.

Prepare for Questions: Anticipate objections or deeper questions about financials, timelines, or implementation costs.

What tools would you use for the delivery?

Microsoft PowerPoint or Google Slides: For structured, clean visual presentation.

Excel or Google Sheets: To reference the payroll/headcount data.

Power BI or Tableau: For interactive dashboards and visuals if available.

Zoom or MS Teams: For remote delivery, with screen sharing and chat Q&A.

Canva: If you need highly polished, branded visuals.

What is prospecting and why would you complete this before your delivery?

Prospecting is the process of researching and understanding your audience, their needs, pain points, and expectations before engagement.

Why It Matters:

Helps **customize** your message to resonate with the board's goals (e.g., profitability, retention).

Uncovers **strategic interests** or current initiatives the board is focused on (e.g., cost-cutting vs. growth). • Ensures your delivery is **relevant** and impactful, increasing buy-in. Be Concise: Avoid technical jargon and long-winded explanations. **Lead with Key Insights**: Get to the point quickly—start with conclusions. Use Storytelling: Frame data in a narrative that creates engagement. Data Visualization: Use charts and graphs instead of data Tell me best practices tables. for public speaking and providing Rehearse Timing: Ensure your delivery fits within the updates to senior allotted time. leaders Confident Body Language: Stand tall, make eye contact, use hand gestures. **Anticipate Objections**: Be prepared with answers or next steps. End with a Call to Action: Clearly state what you want from them—approval, budget, feedback, etc. **Key Finding**: Customer churn spikes at the 12-month renewal point. What will you show the board in your **Data Snapshot**: delivery?

Cost of replacing a lost customer.

on retention?

Payroll efficiency—how many resources are focused

 Comparison of salaries by department—e.g., is Sales sufficiently staffed or overpaid relative to impact?

Churn Trends: Visual chart showing churn by month.

Recommendations:

- Adjust renewal communication strategy.
- Offer loyalty discounts.
- Introduce customer success check-ins at 9 and 11 months.

Expected Outcomes:

- Lower churn.
- Increased revenue per customer.
- Lower CAC (customer acquisition cost) over time.

How will you articulate the changes that are needed?

Use "Why > What > How" Framework:

- Why: "We're seeing a pattern of churn exactly at the renewal point. This is costing us £X annually."
- What: "We propose a targeted retention strategy—new renewal pricing, earlier engagement."
- How: "The rollout will be phased over 3 months.
 The cost is minimal compared to retention revenue gains."

Use Financial Justification:

 "Improving retention by just 10% could increase annual revenue by £Y without additional customer acquisition spend."

Provide a list of online resources and videos that will support your preparation for public speaking

YouTube Channels:

- TEDx Talks: Learn storytelling and pacing from pros.
- Harvard Business Review: Presentation skills for executives.
- Amy Cuddy's TED Talk on body language.

Courses:

- <u>LinkedIn Learning Public Speaking Foundations</u>
- Coursera Dynamic Public Speaking by University of Washington
- Toastmasters International

Books:

- "Talk Like TED" by Carmine Gallo
- "Confessions of a Public Speaker" by Scott Berkun

Evaluate tools that provide visualisation.

Tell me what they are.

Tell me what you would choose when delivering your presentation and why

a. What they are:

- Excel/Google Sheets: Basic but effective for quick charts and tables.
- Power BI: Microsoft's business analytics tool for dashboards, KPIs, interactivity.
- **Tableau**: Industry-leading tool for powerful, beautiful visual storytelling.
- Looker Studio (formerly Google Data Studio): Great for web-based dashboard sharing.

b. What I would choose and why:

- For this delivery: Power BI or Tableau (depending on availability)
 - O Why:
 - Clean visuals with interactive elements.

- Integration with Excel for payroll/headcount data.
- Professional and impactful in boardroom settings.
- If these are unavailable, use PowerPoint + Excel visuals, ensuring high contrast (e.g., dark background with bright charts for visual appeal).

Course Notes

It is recommended to take notes from the course, use the space below to do so, or use the revision guide shared with the class:

- =SUM(A1:A10) Adds all numbers in cells A1 through A10
- =AVERAGE(A1:A10) Calculates the average of numbers in A1 to A10
- =MIN(A1:A10) Finds the smallest number in the range
- =MAX(A1:A10) Finds the largest number in the range
- =CONCATENATE(A1, " ", B1) or =A1 & " " & B1 Joins text from A1 and B1 with a space
- =TRIM(A1) Removes extra spaces from text
- =VLOOKUP(lookup_value, table_array, col_index, [range_lookup]) — Looks up a value vertically
- =ROUND(A1, 2) Rounds number in A1 to 2 decimal places
- =COUNTA(A1:A10) Counts non-empty cells in range
- =COUNTIF(A1:A10, ">5") Counts cells with values greater than 5

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We have included a range of additional links to further resources and information that you may find useful, these can be found within your revision guide.

END OF WORKBOOK

Please check through your work thoroughly before submitting and update the table of contents if required.

Please send your completed work booklet to your trainer.

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