Clustering Columns:

- The cluster column will sort the data in sorted descending order
- More than one clustering column can be added (or none!)
- From there the clustering columns will sort in order of how they were added to the primary key

Commonly Asked Questions:

How many clustering columns can we add?

You can use as many clustering columns. You cannot use the clustering columns out of order in the SELECT statement. You may choose to omit using a clustering column in your SELECT statement. That's OK. Just remember to use them in order when you are using the SELECT statement.

Additional Resource:

1. Here is the reference to the **DataStax documentation** on Composite Partition Keys
2. This **Stackoverflow** page provides a nice description of the difference between Partition Key and Clustering Key