



SQL | String functions



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String functions

are used to perform an operation on input string and return an output string.

Following are the string functions defined in SQL:

1. **ASCII():** This function is used to find the ASCII value of a character.

Syntax: `SELECT ascii('t');`

Output: 116

2. **CHAR_LENGTH():** Doesn't work for SQL Server. Use `LEN()` for SQL Server. This function is used to find the length of a word.

Syntax: `SELECT char_length('Hello!');`

Output: 6

3. **CHARACTER_LENGTH():** Doesn't work for SQL Server. Use `LEN()` for SQL Server. This function is used to find the length of a line.

Syntax: `SELECT CHARACTER_LENGTH('geeks for geeks');`

Output: 15

4. **CONCAT():** This function is used to add two words or strings.

Syntax: `SELECT 'Geeks' || ' ' || 'forGeeks' FROM dual;`

Output: 'GeeksforGeeks'

5. **CONCAT_WS():** This function is used to add two words or strings with a symbol as concatenating symbol.

Syntax: `SELECT CONCAT_WS('_', 'geeks', 'for', 'geeks');`

Output: geeks_for_geeks

6. **FIND_IN_SET():** This function is used to find a symbol from a set of symbols.

Syntax: `SELECT FIND_IN_SET('b', 'a, b, c, d, e, f');`

Output: 2

7. **FORMAT():** This function is used to display a number in the given format.

Syntax: `Format("0.981", "Percent");`

Output: '98.10%'

8. **INSERT():** This function is used to insert the data into a database.

Syntax: `INSERT INTO database (geek_id, geek_name) VALUES (5000, 'abc');`

Output: successfully updated

9. **INSTR():** This function is used to find the occurrence of an alphabet.

Syntax: `INSTR('geeks for geeks', 'e');`

Output: 2 (the first occurrence of 'e')

Syntax: `INSTR('geeks for geeks', 'e', 1, 2);`

Output: 3 (the second occurrence of 'e')

10. **LCASE():** This function is used to convert the given string into lower case.

Syntax: `LCASE ("GeeksFor Geeks To Learn");`

Output: geeksforgeeks to learn

11. **LEFT():** This function is used to SELECT a sub string from the left of given size or characters.

Syntax: `SELECT LEFT('geeksforgeeks.org', 5);`

Output: geeks

12. **LENGTH():** This function is used to find the length of a word.

Syntax: `LENGTH('GeeksForGeeks');`

Output: 13

13. **LOCATE():** This function is used to find the nth position of the given word in a string.

Syntax: `SELECT LOCATE('for', 'geeksforgeeks', 1);`

Output: 6

14. **LOWER():** This function is used to convert the upper case string into lower case.

Syntax: `SELECT LOWER('GEEKSFORGEEKS.ORG');`

Output: geeksforgeeks.org

15. **LPAD():** This function is used to make the given string of the given size by adding the given symbol.

Syntax: `LPAD('geeks', 8, '0');`

Output:

000geeks

16. **LTRIM():** This function is used to cut the given sub string from the original string.

Syntax: LTRIM('123123geeks', '123');

Output: geeks

17. **MID():** This function is to find a word from the given position and of the given size.

Syntax: Mid ("geeksforgeeks", 6, 2);

Output: for

18. **POSITION():** This function is used to find position of the first occurrence of the given alphabet.

Syntax: SELECT POSITION('e' IN 'geeksforgeeks');

Output: 2

19. **REPEAT():** This function is used to write the given string again and again till the number of times mentioned.

Syntax: SELECT REPEAT('geeks', 2);

Output: geeksgeeks

20. **REPLACE():** This function is used to cut the given string by removing the given sub string.

Syntax: REPLACE('123geeks123', '123');

Output: geeks

21. **REVERSE():** This function is used to reverse a string.

Syntax: SELECT REVERSE('geeksforgeeks.org');

Output: 'gro.skeegrofскеeg'

22. **RIGHT():** This function is used to SELECT a sub string from the right end of the given size.

Syntax: SELECT RIGHT('geeksforgeeks.org', 4);

Output: '.org'

23. **RPAD():** This function is used to make the given string as long as the given size by adding the given symbol on the right.

Syntax: RPAD('geeks', 8, '0');

Output: 'geeks000'

24. **RTRIM():** This function is used to cut the given sub string from the original string.

Syntax: RTRIM('geeksxyxzyyy', 'xyz');

Output: 'geeks'

25. **SPACE():** This function is used to write the given number of spaces.

Syntax: SELECT SPACE(7);

Output: ' '

26. **STRCMP():** This function is used to compare 2 strings.

- If string1 and string2 are the same, the STRCMP function will return 0.
- If string1 is smaller than string2, the STRCMP function will return -1.
- If string1 is larger than string2, the STRCMP function will return 1.

Syntax: SELECT STRCMP('google.com', 'geeksforgeeks.com');

Output: -1

27. **SUBSTR():** This function is used to find a sub string from the a string from the given position.

Syntax: SUBSTR('geeksforgeeks', 1, 5);

Output: 'geeks'

28. **SUBSTRING():** This function is used to find an alphabet from the mentioned size and the given string.

Syntax: SELECT SUBSTRING('GeeksForGeeks.org', 9, 1);

Output: 'G'

29. **SUBSTRING_INDEX():** This function is used to find a sub string before the given symbol.

Syntax: SELECT SUBSTRING_INDEX('www.geeksforgeeks.org', '.', 1);

Output: 'www'

30. **TRIM():** This function is used to cut the given symbol from the string.

Syntax: TRIM(LEADING '0' FROM '000123');

Output: 123

31. **UCASE():** This function is used to make the string in upper case.

Syntax: UCASE ("GeeksForGeeks");

Output:

GEEKSFORGEES

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