Java Interview Question Bank

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DATABASE

- 1. What is Relationship? How many types of Relationship are there?
 - The relationship can be defined as the connection between more than one tables in the database.
 - There are 4 types of relationships:
 - One to One Relationship
 - Many to One Relationship
 - Many to Many Relationship
 - One to Many Relationship
- 2. What is outer join, left join, inner join?
 - Full outer join: Return all records from two tables.
 - Right outer join: Preserves the unmatched rows from first table (right),
 - joining with Null rows in the shape of the second table (left).
 - Left outer join: Preserves the unmatched rows from first table (left),
 - joining with Null rows in the shape of the second table (right).
- 3. What is index? When you should use index?
 - Data structure created in DB for finding data more quickly and efficiently.
- 4. What is transaction? Why do you use transaction?
 - A unit of work, performed against DB.
 - Two main purposes:
 - Allow correct recovery from failures and keep DB consistent even in cases of system failure.
 - Provide isolation btw programs accessing DB concurrently.
- 5. What is ACID?
 - Four main features of transaction: Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation, Durability.

- Atomicity: Ensures that the entire sequence of operations is successfully or not.
- Consistency: Ensures that the database properly changes states upon a successfully committed transaction.
- Isolation: Enables transactions to operate independently of and transparent to each other.
- Durability: Ensures that the result or effect of a committed transaction persists in case of a system failure.
- 6. Difference between TRUNCATE, DELETE and DROP commands?
 - DELETE:
 - Deletion of each row or the whole table gets logged and physically deleted.
 - Could have condition, triggers
 - Need to commit the changes
 - TRUNCATE:
 - Log the de-allocation of the data pages in which the data exists.
 - No need the commit statement.
 - Don't have condition, triggers.
 - DROP command removes an object (table, view, stored procedure,...) from the database completely.
- 7. When to use "group by" clause?
 - Group similar data
- 8. When to use "order by" clause?
- 9. What is the different between "Having" and "Where" clause?
 - Having: conditions used with group by.
 - Where: conditions used with SELECT.
- 10. What is a Sub Query?
 - A query nested inside a SELECT statements
 - Alternative to complex join statements.
- 11. What is a View?
 - A virtual table created on basis of the result set returned by the select statement.
 - Increase performance and security

- 12. What are the advantages of Views?
 - Views restrict access to the data.
 - Views can be used to make simple queries to retrieve the results of complicated queries.
- 13. What is identity in SQL?
 - Automatically generates numeric values.
- 14. How to find how many duplicated record in a table?
 - Step1: count all distinct records in table.
 - Step2: count all records in that table
 - Step3: The result: the result in step2 subtracts to the result in step 1.
- 15. How to count a number of records in a table.
 - Use count(*) from Table.
- 16. What is a primary key?
 - A primary key is a combination of fields which uniquely specify a row
- 17. What is composite key?
 - One primary key consists of two tables.
- 18. What is a foreign key?
- 19. What is the difference between UNIQUE and PRIMARY KEY constraints?
- 20. What is a stored procedure? Advantages and Disadvantages of Stored Procedure?
 - Stored Procedure is a function consists of many SQL statement to access the database system.

Advantages:

- » Reduced server/client network traffic
- » Stronger security
- » Reuse of code
- » Improve Performance
- Disadvantage: utilizes more memory in the database server.
- 21. What is a trigger? When to use?
- 22. What is the different between "Stored procedure" and "Trigger"?
- 23. What is user defined functions? What are all types of user defined functions?
- 24. What are inserted and deleted table?

- 25. Difference between "LIKE" and "=" operator?
- 26. Difference between UNION and UNION ALL?
 - UNION returns all distinct rows selected by either query.
 - UNION ALL returns all rows selected by either query, including all duplicates.