

# SELECT names

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name	continent
Afghanistan	Asia
Albania	Europe
Algeria	Africa
Andorra	Europe
Angola	Africa
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## Pattern Matching Strings

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This tutorial uses the **LIKE** operator to check names. We will be using the SELECT command on the table **world**:

# 1.

You can use `WHERE name LIKE 'B%'` to find the countries that start with "B".

- The % is a *wild-card* it can match any characters

## Find the country that start with Y

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE 'Y%'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

## 2.

**Find the countries that end with y**

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%y'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 3.

Luxembourg has an **x** - so does one other country. List them both.

**Find the countries that contain the letter x**

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%x%'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 4.

Iceland, Switzerland end with **land** - but are there others?

**Find the countries that end with land**

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%land'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 5.

Columbia starts with a **C** and ends with **ia** - there are two more like this.

**Find the countries that start with C and end with ia**

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE 'C%ia'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 6.

Greece has a double **e** - who has a double **o**?

**Find the country that has oo in the name**

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%oo%'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 7.

Bahamas has three **a** - who else?

**Find the countries that have three or more a in the name**

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%a%a%a%'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result



# 8.

India and Angola have an **n** as the second character. You can use the underscore as a single character wildcard.

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '_n%'
ORDER BY name
```

**Find the countries that have "t" as the second character.**

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '_t%'
ORDER BY name
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 9.

Lesotho and Moldova both have two o characters separated by two other characters.

**Find the countries that have two "o" characters separated by two others.**

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '%o__o%'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 10.

Cuba and Togo have four characters names.

**Find the countries that have exactly four characters.**

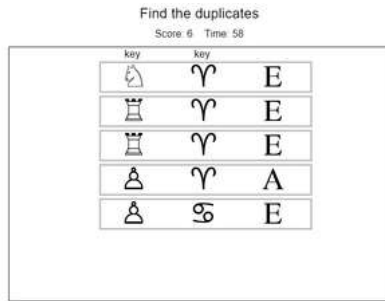
```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '____'
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

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Find the Duplicates Game

## Harder Questions

Well done for getting this far.

The next questions are optional and only for students who are finding the basic questions too easy.

# 11.

The capital of **Luxembourg** is **Luxembourg**. Show all the countries where the capital is the same as the name of the country

**Find the country where the name is the capital city.**

```
SELECT name FROM world WHERE name = capital
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 12.

The capital of **Mexico** is **Mexico City**. Show all the countries where the capital has the country together with the word "City".

**Find the country where the capital is the country plus "City".**

*The concat function*

```
SELECT name  
  FROM world  
 WHERE capital = concat(name, " City")
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 13.

**Find the capital and the name where the capital includes the name of the country.**

```
SELECT capital, name  
FROM world  
WHERE capital LIKE CONCAT('%', name, '%');
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 14.

**Find the capital and the name where the capital is an extension of name of the country.**

You *should* include **Mexico City** as it is longer than **Mexico**. You *should not* include **Luxembourg** as the capital is the same as the country.

```
select capital, name  
from world  
where capital like concat(name, '%') and capital != name;
```

Submit SQL

restore default

result

# 15.

The capital of Monaco is **Monaco-Ville**: this is the name **Monaco** and the extension is **-Ville**.

**Show the name and the extension where the capital is a proper (non-empty) extension of name of the country.**

You can use the SQL function REPLACE.

```
select name, replace(capital, name, '') as extension
from world
where capital like concat(name, '_%');
```

Submit SQL

restore default

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