

# Common Table Expressions Using WITH Part 1 Notes

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## 1 What is a Common Table Expression?

- Works like function in programming
- Makes queries easier to read
- Organizes queries into **reusable** modules
- Better matches to how you think about data analysis
- Uses WITH

### Example:

```
1  WITH product_details AS (  
2      SELECT ProductName, CategoryName, UnitPrice, UnitInStock  
3      FROM Products  
4      JOIN Categories ON PRODUCTS.CategoryId = Categories.id  
5      WHERE Products.Discontinued = 0  
6  )  
7  
8  SELECT * FROM product_details // <- Noticed it's used like a  
9  ORDER BY CategoryName, ProductName  
10
```

## 2 Convert a Subquery to a CTE

- To declare multiple CTES, WITH is required only once

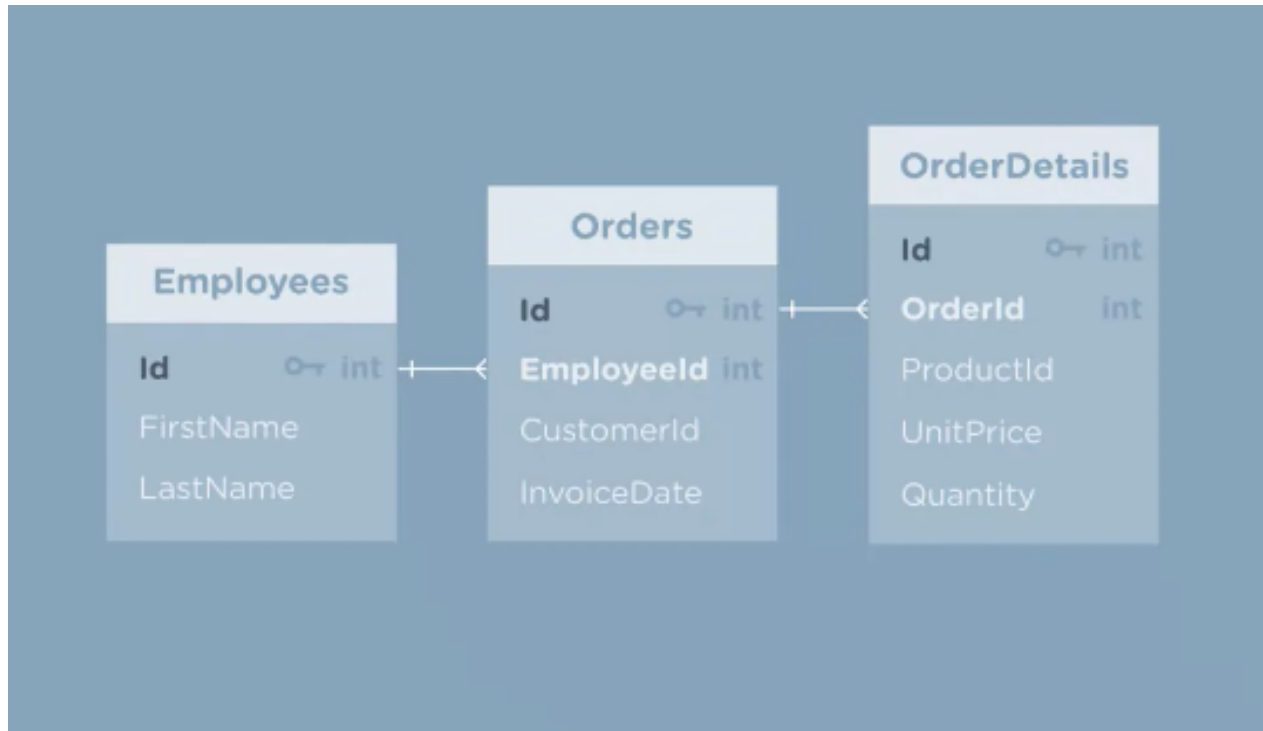
### Example:

```

1  \ \ ===== BEFORE CTE =====
2
3  SELECT all_orders.EmployeeID, Employees.LastName, all_orders.
   order_count AS total_order_count, late_orders.order_count AS
   late_order_count
4  FROM (
5      SELECT EmployeeID, COUNT(*) AS order_count
6      FROM Orders
7      GROUP BY EmployeeID
8  ) all_orders
9  JOIN (
10     SELECT EmployeeID, COUNT(*) AS order_count
11     FROM Orders
12     WHERE RequiredDate <= ShippedDate
13     GROUP BY EmployeeID
14 ) late_orders
15 ON all_orders.EmployeeID = late_orders.employeeID
16 JOIN Employees
17 ON all_orders.EmployeeId = Employees.Id
18
19
20 \ \ ===== AFTER CTE =====
21
22 SELECT EmployeeID, COUNT(*) AS order_count
23 FROM Orders
24 GROUP BY EmployeeID
25 ),
26 late_orders AS (
27     SELECT EmployeeID, COUNT(*) AS order_count
28     FROM Orders
29     WHERE RequiredDate <= ShippedDate
30     GROUP BY EmployeeID
31 )
32 SELECT Employees.ID, LastName, all_orders.order_count AS
   total_order_count, late_orders.order_count AS late_order_count
33 FROM Employees
34 JOIN all_orders ON Employees.ID = all_orders.EmployeeID
35 JOIN late_orders ON Employees.ID = late_orders.EmployeeID
36

```

### 3 Using Multiple CTEs in a Query



- can only reference earlier WITH expression
- cannot reference latter WITH expressions

#### Example:

```

1  WITH
2  all_sales AS (
3      SELECT Orders.Id AS OrderId, Orders.EmployeeId,
4      SUM(OrderDetails.UnitPrice * OrderDetails.Quantity) AS
invoice_total
5      FROM Orders
6      JOIN OrderDetails ON Orders.id = OrderDetails.OrderId
7      GROUP BY Orders.ID
8  ),
9  revenue_by_employee AS (
10     SELECT EmployeeId, SUM(invoice_total) AS total_revenue
11     FROM all_sales /*<- From Earlier WITH
12     GROUP BY EmployeeID
13  ),
14  sales_by_employee AS (
15     SELECT EmployeeId, COUNT(*) AS sales_count
16     FROM all_sales /*<- From Earlier WITH
17     GROUP BY EmployeeID
18  )
19  SELECT

```

```
20     Employees.Id,  
21     Employees.LastName,  
22     revenue_by_employee.total_revenue,  
23     sales_by_employee.sales_count,  
24     revenue_by_employee.total_revenue/sales_by_employee.sales_count AS  
25  
26     avg_revenue_per_sale  
27 FROM revenue_by_employee  
28 JOIN sales_by_employee ON revenue_by_employee.EmployeeId =  
29 sales_by_employee.EmployeeId  
30 JOIN Employees ON revenue_by_employee.EmployeeId = Employees.Id  
31 ORDER BY total_revenue DESC
```