

Activity Overview

You've learned that you can create charts in spreadsheets and in Tableau and that information can be customized using filters. Before working in Tableau, you will work with a spreadsheet chart editor. This will allow you to create visualizations to draw insights from immediately—and will help you start thinking about how to make design choices in more complex tools.

By the time you complete this activity, you will be able to create a chart in a spreadsheet and customize it by using filters and applying different styles. This will enable you to use spreadsheets in another helpful way, which is important for using all the tools at your disposal in your career as a data analyst.



Step-By-Step Instructions

Follow the instructions to complete each step of the activity. Then answer the questions at the end of the activity before going to the next course item.

Step 1: Access the template

Step 2: Create a chart in a spreadsheet

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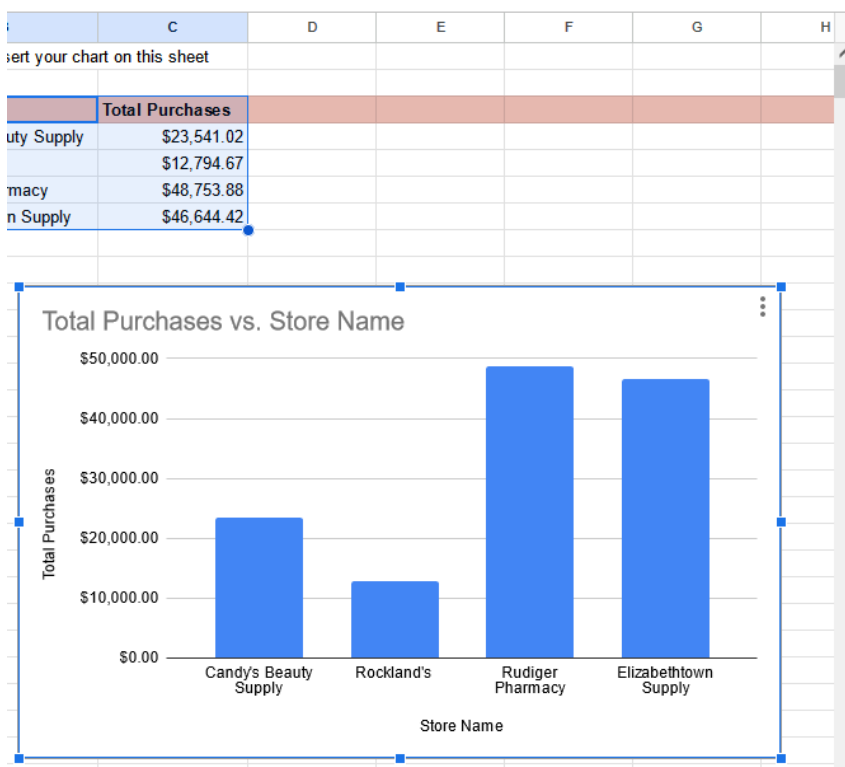


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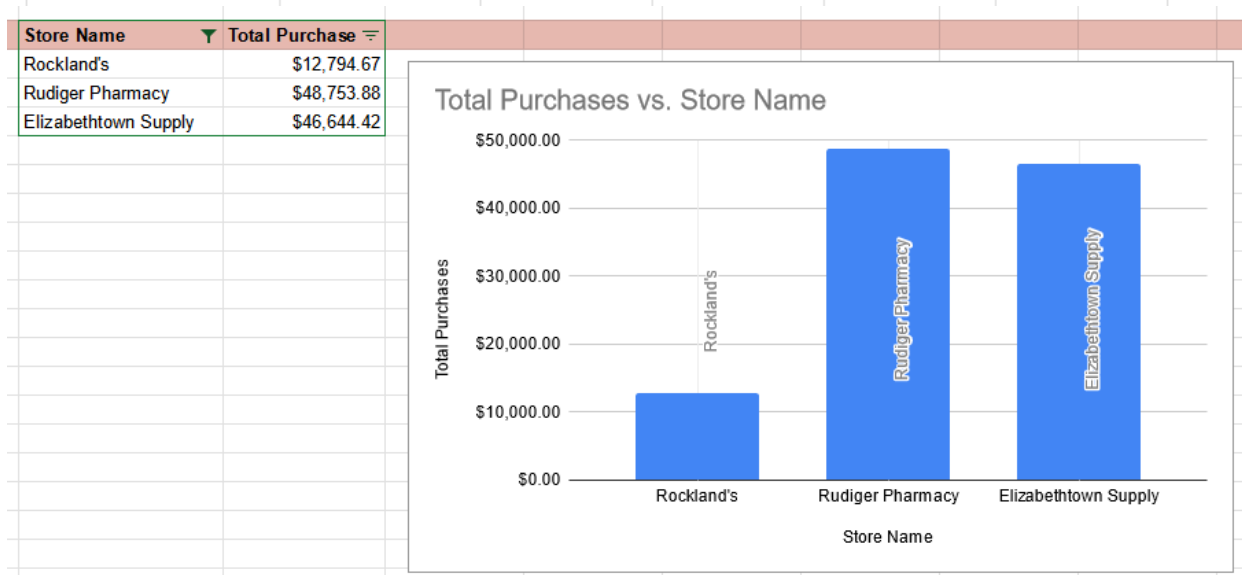
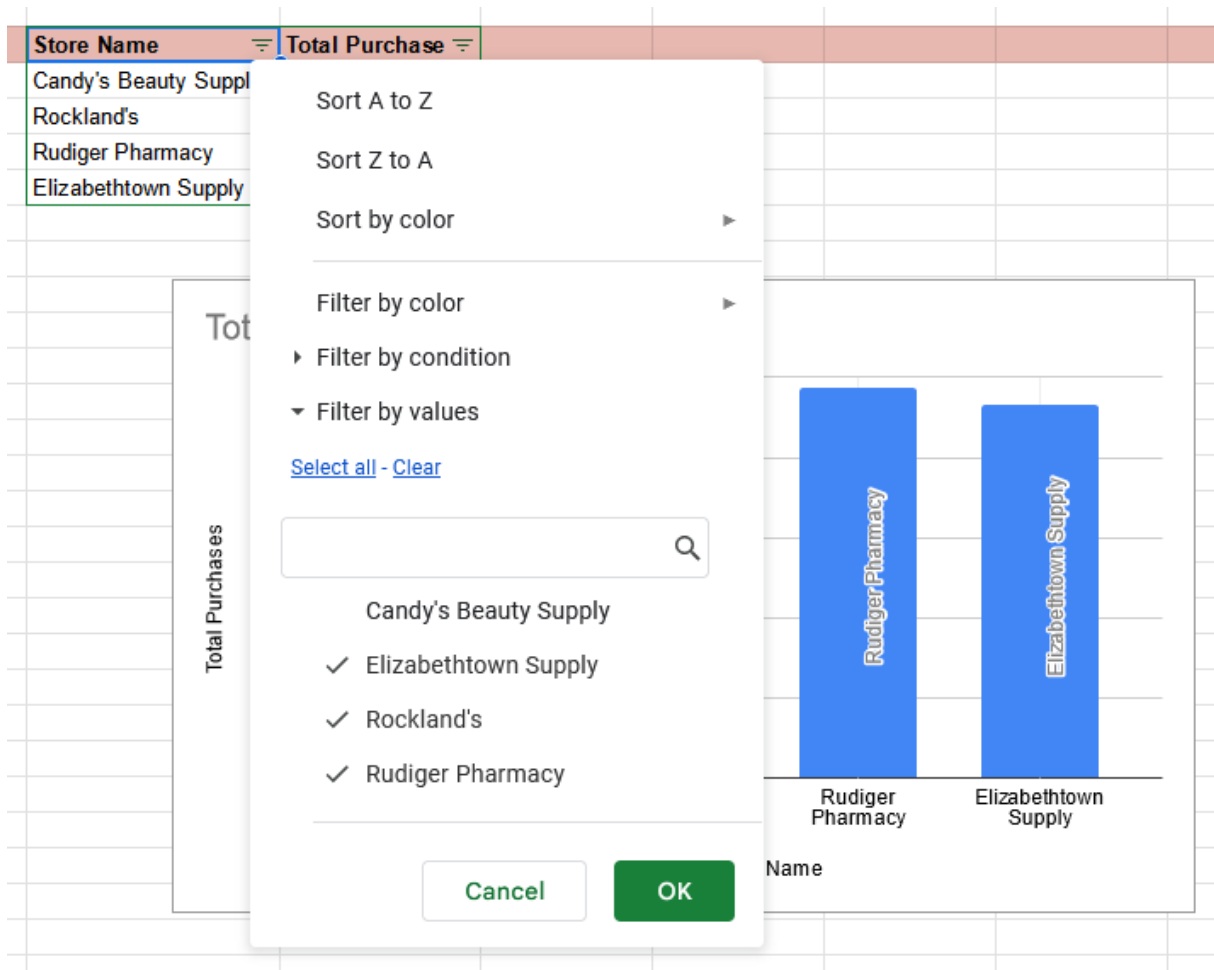
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Step 3: Apply styles



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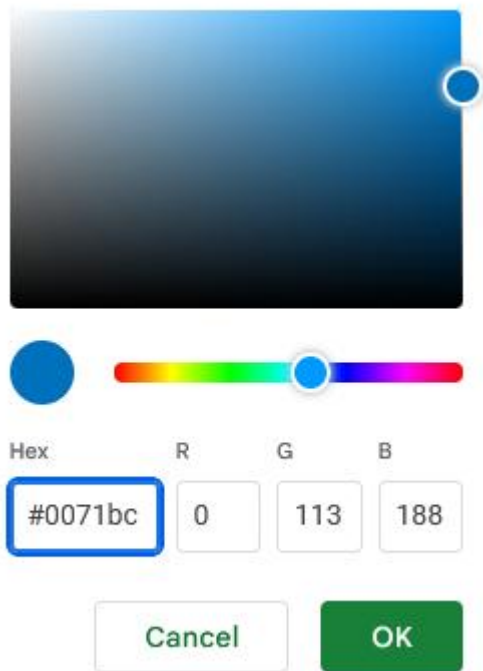
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Step 4: Review resources

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Pro Tip: Save the blank activity template