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Q1	You cannot use a subquery... > Multiple Choice	1 min 47 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q2	Given the below statement... > Multiple Choice	2 min 53 sec	0/ 5	✗
Q3	What will this statement... > Multiple Choice	1 min 46 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q4	A Primary Key must be which ... > Multiple Choice	2 min 59 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q5	Which select statement will return ... > Multiple Choice	21 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q6	Which JOIN is the ANSI-standard method of... > Multiple Choice	15 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q7	ORDER BY ... > Multiple Choice	11 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q8	You can use a combination ... > Multiple Choice	43 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q9	Why will this query generate... > Multiple Choice	6 min 37 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q10	Multiple types of JOINS... > Multiple Choice	25 sec	5/ 5	✓

Q11	What does a CROSS JOIN... > Multiple Choice	9 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q12	How could you modify the following... > Multiple Choice	1 min 3 sec	0/ 5	✗
Q13	All tables MUST have at least one... > Multiple Choice	24 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q14	What will the following... > Multiple Choice	46 sec	0/ 5	✗
Q15	What will be the results of ... > Multiple Choice	1 min 43 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q16	It is possible for a primary key to > Multiple Choice	13 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q17	The ID column of the Products table... > Multiple Choice	3 min 30 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q18	Given two tables, EMP and SAL, how would you ... > Multiple Choice	55 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q19	We use constraints for ... > Multiple Choice	26 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q20	What will this query... > Multiple Choice	1 min 10 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q21	Which of the following will remove ... > Multiple Choice	1 min 7 sec	0/ 5	✗
Q22	A table In a relational database... > Multiple Choice	12 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q23	In MariaDB databases, the value of a primary key... > Multiple Choice	1 min 3 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q24	What does the WHERE... > Multiple Choice	12 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q25	Why would normalized tables ... > Multiple Choice	38 sec	0/ 5	✗
Q26	Which is correct regarding ... > Multiple Choice	37 sec	5/ 5	✓
Q27	Which statement will change ... > Multiple Choice	33 sec	5/ 5	✓

QUESTION 1



Correct Answer

Score 5

You cannot use a subquery... > Multiple Choice

SQL


QUESTION DESCRIPTION

You cannot use a subquery while also using an aggregate function.

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☐ True


☒ False

No Comments

**QUESTION 2**

Wrong Answer

Score 0

**Given the below statement...** > Multiple Choice SQL**QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

Given the below statement, what would happen if the inner query returned an empty list?

```
SELECT * FROM employees
WHERE employeeId NOT IN
(
    SELECT employeeId
    FROM employees
    WHERE departmentId = 14
);
```


**CANDIDATE ANSWER**

**Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ A cartesian product would be returned
- ☐ All values in the employees table for employees with department\_id of 14 would be returned.
- ☒ All of the values in the employees table would be returned for employees who are not in the department with an id of 14.
- ☐ No values would be returned.

No Comments

QUESTION 3



Correct Answer

Score 5

What will this statement... > Multiple Choice 

SQL


QUESTION DESCRIPTION

What will this statement return?

```
SELECT e.name, s.salary,
CASE WHEN s.salary > 200001 THEN 'VERY HIGH'
      WHEN s.salary > 90000 THEN 'HIGH'
      ELSE 'MID' END AS Income_Bracket
FROM employees e INNER JOIN salaries s ON e.id = s.emp_id;
```

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☒

The name, salary, and income\_bracket of 'VERY HIGH', 'HIGH' or 'MID' based on salary

☐

The query will result in an error.

☐


The name, salary, and a null income\_bracket.

☐

Nothing

No Comments

QUESTION 4



Correct Answer

Score 5

A Primary Key must be which ... > Multiple Choice 

SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION


A Primary Key must be which of the following?

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☐


Numeric

☒

Non-Null

☐

Automatically Generated

☒


Unique


☐


A single field

No Comments

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<b>QUESTION 5</b>  Correct Answer	<b>Which select statement will return ...</b> > Multiple Choice <span>SQL</span>
Score 5	<b>QUESTION DESCRIPTION</b> Which SELECT statement will return the largest salary in the salaries table?
	<b>CANDIDATE ANSWER</b> <b>Options:</b> (Expected answer indicated with a tick) <div><input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> SELECT MAX(SALARY) FROM SALARIES; <input type="radio"/> SELECT MAXIMUM(SALARY) FROM SALARIES; <input type="radio"/> SELECT SALARY FROM SALARIES WHERE SALARY=MAX; <input type="radio"/> SELECT LARGEST(SALARY) FROM SALARIES;</div> No Comments

<b>QUESTION 6</b>  Correct Answer	<b>Which JOIN is the ANSI-standard method of...</b> > Multiple Choice <span>SQL</span>
Score 5	<b>QUESTION DESCRIPTION</b> Which JOIN is the ANSI-standard method of generating a Cartesian Product?
	<b>CANDIDATE ANSWER</b> <b>Options:</b> (Expected answer indicated with a tick) <div><input type="radio"/> NATURAL <input type="radio"/> FULL <input type="radio"/> None of the above <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> CROSS</div> No Comments

<b>QUESTION 7</b>  Correct Answer	<b>ORDER BY ...</b> > Multiple Choice <span>SQL</span>
Score 5	<b>QUESTION DESCRIPTION</b> ORDER BY sorts data in descending order by default.
	<b>CANDIDATE ANSWER</b> <b>Options:</b> (Expected answer indicated with a tick) <div><input type="radio"/> True <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> False</div> No Comments

**QUESTION 8**

Correct Answer

Score 5

**You can use a combination ...** > Multiple Choice SQLQUESTION DESCRIPTION

You can use a combination GROUP BY, HAVING and WHERE clauses in one SQL statement. True or False, and why?

**CANDIDATE ANSWER**

**Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ False - these clauses can never be used together.
- ☐ True, but only if the WHERE clause comes last.
- ☐ False - these clauses can only be used in an UPDATE statement.
- ☒ True, but the WHERE clause must precede the GROUP BY clause and the HAVING clause must come after the GROUP BY clause.

No Comments

**QUESTION 9**

Correct Answer

Score 5

**Why will this query generate...** > Multiple Choice SQLQUESTION DESCRIPTION

Why will this query generate an error?

```
SELECT employee_id, salary
FROM employees INNER JOIN salaries ON employee_id = employee_id
WHERE salary >= 75000;
```


**CANDIDATE ANSWER**

**Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ >= is not a valid operator.
- ☒ The join predicate's 'employee\_id' field is ambiguous.
- ☐ The above query will not return an error.
- ☐ No employees with a salary greater than or equal to 75000 exist in the database.

No Comments

QUESTION 10



Correct Answer

Score 5


Multiple types of JOINS... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

Multiple types of JOINS (ie: INNER, LEFT OUTER) can be used in the same query.

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)




☒ True

☐ False

No Comments

QUESTION 11



Correct Answer

Score 5


What does a CROSS JOIN... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

What does a CROSS JOIN return?

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)



☒ A cartesian product.


☐ The diagonal fields from each joined table.

☐ There is no such thing as CROSS JOIN.

☐ The same result as an INNER JOIN and FULL OUTER JOIN combined.

No Comments

QUESTION 12

  
Wrong Answer

Score 0

How could you modify the following... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

How could you modify the following query in order to ONLY count customers with a first\_name starting with "T"?

```
SELECT c.last_name, c.first_name, COUNT(o.orderNumber)
FROM customers c LEFT JOIN orders o ON c.customer_id = o.customer_id
GROUP BY c.customer_id;
```

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☐ Use a WHERE clause at the end of the query.


☒ Use a WHERE clause before the GROUP BY.

☐ Use a HAVING clause before the GROUP BY.

☒ This cannot be done.

No Comments

QUESTION 13

  
Correct Answer

Score 5

All tables MUST have at least one... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

All tables In a relational database MUST contain at least one Foreign Key.

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☒ False

☐ True

No Comments



**QUESTION 14**

Wrong Answer

Score 0

**What will the following...** > Multiple Choice

SQL

**QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

What will the following query return?

```
SELECT e.employee_id, e.firstname, e.lastname
FROM employees e LEFT OUTER JOIN salaries s ON e.employee_id =
s.employee_id
WHERE s.salary = NULL;
```

**CANDIDATE ANSWER****Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ All employee\_id, firstname, and lastname values in the employees table.
- ☐ Only employee\_id, firstname, and lastname values in the employees table that have no matching entry in the SAL table.
- ☒ A syntax error would be returned.
- ☒ No values would be returned.

No Comments

**QUESTION 15**

Correct Answer

Score 5

**What will be the results of ...** > Multiple Choice

SQL

**QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

What will be the results of the following statement?


```
UPDATE PAYMENTS SET status= 'paid'
WHERE payment_id NOT IN
(
  SELECT payment_id
  FROM ACCOUNTS_PAYABLE
  WHERE status in ('pending', 'rejected')
);
```

**CANDIDATE ANSWER****Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ The statement will return an error.
- ☐ Nothing will happen because the nested query will always return null
- ☐ Payments that are 'pending' or 'rejected' in the ACCOUNTS\_PAYABLE table will have their status set to 'paid'.
- ☒ Payments that are neither 'pending' nor 'rejected' in the ACCOUNTS\_PAYABLE table will have their status set to 'paid'.

No Comments

QUESTION 16

Correct Answer

Score 5


It is possible for a primary key to > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

It is possible for a primary key to consist of multiple fields.

CANDIDATE ANSWER


Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

 ☒ True

☐ False

No Comments

QUESTION 17

Correct Answer

Score 5

The ID column of the Products table... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

The ID column of the Products table corresponds to the Product\_ID column of the OrderItems table.

Your client would like to display a list of all orders along with the name and price of the items associated with that order. Which of the following joins would allow you to do that?


CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)


☐ Self Join


☐ Cross Join

☐ Non-Equi-Join

 ☒ Inner Join

No Comments

<b>QUESTION 18</b>  Correct Answer	<b>Given two tables, EMP and SAL, how would you ...</b> > Multiple Choice <span>SQL</span>
Score 5	<p><b>QUESTION DESCRIPTION</b></p> <p>Given two tables, EMP and SAL, how would you add a foreign key constraint on the emp_no column in the SAL table, referring to the id column in the EMP table?</p> <p><b>CANDIDATE ANSWER</b></p> <p><b>Options:</b> (Expected answer indicated with a tick)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="radio"/> Use the ALTER TABLE command with the ADD clause on the EMP table.</li><li><input type="radio"/> Use the ALTER TABLE command with the MODIFY clause on the SAL table.</li><li><input type="radio"/> Use the ALTER TABLE command with the MODIFY clause on the EMP table.</li><li><input checked="" type="radio"/> Use the ALTER TABLE command with the ADD clause on the SAL table.</li></ul> <p>No Comments</p>

<b>QUESTION 19</b>  Correct Answer	<b>We use constraints for ...</b> > Multiple Choice <span>SQL</span>
Score 5	<p><b>QUESTION DESCRIPTION</b></p> <p>We use constraints for which of the following reasons?</p> <p><b>CANDIDATE ANSWER</b></p> <p><b>Options:</b> (Expected answer indicated with a tick)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> They enhance data integrity and provide adherence to business requirements.</li><li><input type="radio"/> They add an additional level of complexity to the table.</li><li><input type="radio"/> They remove potential backdoors in our table that hackers could otherwise exploit.</li><li><input type="radio"/> Because our boss told us to. There is no other reason.</li></ul> <p>No Comments</p>

**QUESTION 20**

Correct Answer

Score 5

**What will this query...** > Multiple Choice

SQL

**QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

What will this query return?

```
SELECT *  
FROM products p LEFT OUTER JOIN orderdetails od ON p.id = od.product_id  
WHERE od.product_id is null;
```

**CANDIDATE ANSWER****Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ Everything for products that have an id of null.
- ☒ Everything for products that have no entry in the orderdetails table.
- ☐ Nothing because product\_id is null.
- ☐ This query will result in an error.

No Comments

**QUESTION 21**

Wrong Answer

Score 0

**Which of the following will remove ...** > Multiple Choice

SQL

**QUESTION DESCRIPTION**

Which of the following will remove the foreign key named fk\_employee\_id from the SAL table?

**CANDIDATE ANSWER****Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

- ☐ ALTER TABLE SAL REMOVE FOREIGN KEY fk\_employee\_id;
- ☒ ALTER TABLE SAL DROP FOREIGN KEY fk\_employee\_id;
- ☐ ALTER TABLE SAL REMOVE CONSTRAINT fk\_employee\_id;
- ☒ ALTER TABLE SAL DROP CONSTRAINT fk\_employee\_id;

No Comments

**QUESTION 22**

Correct Answer

Score 5

**A table In a relational database...** > Multiple Choice SQLQUESTION DESCRIPTION

A table In a relational database CAN be created WITHOUT a Primary Key.

**CANDIDATE ANSWER**

**Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)



True



False

No Comments

**QUESTION 23**

Correct Answer

Score 5

**In MariaDB databases, the value of a primary key...** > Multiple Choice SQLQUESTION DESCRIPTION

In the MariaDB database, the value of a primary key can be automatically generated by creating and using what?

**CANDIDATE ANSWER**

**Options:** (Expected answer indicated with a tick)



A pseudo column



The value of a primary key cannot be automatically generated




The value of a primary key is automatically generated by default.



An AUTO\_INCREMENT keyword.

No Comments

QUESTION 24



Correct Answer

Score 5

What does the WHERE... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

What does the WHERE clause do?


CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☐ It defines the source of data to be imported into the database.

☐ WHERE is used to define a JOIN predicate.


☐ It defines the table(s) from which data is selected.



☒ It defines one or more conditions that must be met for a row of data to be returned.

No Comments

QUESTION 25



Wrong Answer

Score 0

Why would normalized tables ... > Multiple Choice SQL


QUESTION DESCRIPTION

Why would normalized tables be preferred over denormalized tables in a database?

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)


☐ None of the other answers.



☒ Because they reduce the amount of redundancy

☒ Because they require user validation and are therefore more secure.


☐ They are never preferred. Denormalized tables will always be better.



☒ Normalized tables simplify data maintenance.

No Comments

QUESTION 26

  
Correct Answer

Score 5


Which is correct regarding ... > Multiple Choice SQL

QUESTION DESCRIPTION

Which is correct regarding these two statements?  
1. SELECT employee\_id, salary FROM SAL ORDER BY salary DESC;  
2. SELECT employee\_id, salary FROM SAL ORDER BY 2 DESC;

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

 ☒ The two statements will produce identical results.


☐ Statement 2 will return an error.

☐ Since 2 is a constant and ordering by a constant is indeterminate, the outcome cannot be determined.

☐ There is no need to specify DESC as results are in descending order by default.

No Comments

QUESTION 27

  
Correct Answer

Score 5

Which statement will change ... > Multiple Choice SQL


QUESTION DESCRIPTION

Which statement will change the city of a customer with the customer\_id of 23 to "NYC"?

CANDIDATE ANSWER

Options: (Expected answer indicated with a tick)

☐ ALTER TABLE customers MODIFY city='NYC' WHERE customer\_id=23;

 ☒ UPDATE customers SET city='NYC' WHERE customer\_id=23;

☐ UPDATE customers MODIFY city='NYC' WHERE customer\_id=23;

☐ ALTER TABLE customers SET city='NYC' WHERE customer\_id=23;

No Comments