

SQL: CodeAcademy Commands

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Commands

ALTER TABLE

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
ADD column_name datatype;
```

ALTER TABLE lets you add columns to a table in a database.

AND

```
SELECT column_name(s)  
FROM table_name  
WHERE column_1 = value_1  
      AND column_2 = value_2;
```

AND is an operator that combines two conditions. Both conditions must be true for the row to be included in the result set.

AS

```
SELECT column_name AS 'Alias'  
FROM table_name;
```

AS is a keyword in SQL that allows you to rename a column or table using an *alias*.

AVG()

```
SELECT AVG(column_name)  
FROM table_name;
```

`AVG()` is an aggregate function that returns the average value for a numeric column.

BETWEEN

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_name
WHERE column_name BETWEEN value_1 AND value_2;
```

The `BETWEEN` operator is used to filter the result set within a certain range. The values can be numbers, text or dates.

CASE

```
SELECT column_name,
CASE
    WHEN condition THEN 'Result_1'
    WHEN condition THEN 'Result_2'
    ELSE 'Result_3'
END
FROM table_name;
```

`CASE` statements are used to create different outputs (usually in the `SELECT` statement). It is SQL's way of handling if-then logic.

COUNT()

```
SELECT COUNT(column_name)
FROM table_name;
```

`COUNT()` is a function that takes the name of a column as an argument and counts the number of rows where the column is not `NULL`.

CREATE TABLE

```
CREATE TABLE table_name (  
    column_1 datatype,  
    column_2 datatype,  
    column_3 datatype  
);
```

CREATE TABLE creates a new table in the database. It allows you to specify the name of the table and the name of each column in the table.

DELETE

```
DELETE FROM table_name  
WHERE some_column = some_value;
```

DELETE statements are used to remove rows from a table.

GROUP BY

```
SELECT column_name, COUNT(*)  
FROM table_name  
GROUP BY column_name;
```

GROUP BY is a clause in SQL that is only used with aggregate functions. It is used in collaboration with the **SELECT** statement to arrange identical data into groups.

HAVING

```
SELECT column_name, COUNT(*)  
FROM table_name  
GROUP BY column_name  
HAVING COUNT(*) > value;
```

HAVING was added to SQL because the **WHERE** keyword could not be used with aggregate functions.

INNER JOIN

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_1
JOIN table_2
ON table_1.column_name = table_2.column_name;
```

An inner join will combine rows from different tables if the *join condition* is true.

INSERT

```
INSERT INTO table_name (column_1, column_2, column_3)
VALUES (value_1, 'value_2', value_3);
```

INSERT statements are used to add a new row to a table.

IS NULL / IS NOT NULL

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_name
WHERE column_name IS NULL;
```

IS NULL and **IS NOT NULL** are operators used with the **WHERE** clause to test for empty values.

LIKE

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_name
WHERE column_name LIKE pattern;
```

LIKE is a special operator used with the **WHERE** clause to search for a specific pattern in a column.

LIMIT

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_name
```

```
LIMIT number;
```

LIMIT is a clause that lets you specify the maximum number of rows the result set will have.

MAX()

```
SELECT MAX(column_name)
FROM table_name;
```

MAX() is a function that takes the name of a column as an argument and returns the largest value in that column.

MIN()

```
SELECT MIN(column_name)
FROM table_name;
```

MIN() is a function that takes the name of a column as an argument and returns the smallest value in that column.

OR

```
SELECT column_name
FROM table_name
WHERE column_name = value_1
    OR column_name = value_2;
```

OR is an operator that filters the result set to only include rows where either condition is true.

ORDER BY

```
SELECT column_name
FROM table_name
ORDER BY column_name ASC | DESC;
```

ORDER BY is a clause that indicates you want to sort the result set by a particular column either alphabetically or numerically.

OUTER JOIN

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_1
LEFT JOIN table_2
ON table_1.column_name = table_2.column_name;
```

An outer join will combine rows from different tables even if the join condition is not met. Every row in the *left* table is returned in the result set, and if the join condition is not met, then **NULL** values are used to fill in the columns from the *right* table.

ROUND()

```
SELECT ROUND(column_name, integer)
FROM table_name;
```

ROUND() is a function that takes a column name and an integer as arguments. It rounds the values in the column to the number of decimal places specified by the integer.

SELECT

```
SELECT column_name
FROM table_name;
```

SELECT statements are used to fetch data from a database. Every query will begin with **SELECT**.

SELECT DISTINCT

```
SELECT DISTINCT column_name
FROM table_name;
```

SELECT DISTINCT specifies that the statement is going to be a query that returns unique values in the specified column(s).

SUM

```
SELECT SUM(column_name)
FROM table_name;
```

SUM() is a function that takes the name of a column as an argument and returns the sum of all the values in that column.

UPDATE

```
UPDATE table_name
SET some_column = some_value
WHERE some_column = some_value;
```

UPDATE statements allow you to edit rows in a table.

WHERE

```
SELECT column_name(s)
FROM table_name
WHERE column_name operator value;
```

WHERE is a clause that indicates you want to filter the result set to include only rows where the following *condition* is true.

WITH

```
WITH temporary_name AS (
    SELECT *
    FROM table_name)
SELECT *
FROM temporary_name
WHERE column_name operator value;
```

`WITH` clause lets you store the result of a query in a temporary table using an alias. You can also define multiple temporary tables using a comma and with one instance of the `WITH` keyword.

The `WITH` clause is also known as common table expression (CTE) and subquery factoring.