

## Task 3.3 SQL for Data Analysts

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Your line manager has told you they'd like to improve the movie search filters on the Rockbuster app and website. After thinking about the best way to do this, you decide to add more film categories so users can browse more genres they are interested in.

### Directions:

Create a new text document and call it "Answers 3.3". You will submit your queries, outputs and written answers in this document at the end of the task. - [Completed](#)

### Step 1

Your first task is to find out what film genres already exist in the category table:

- Open pgAdmin 4, click the Rockbuster database, and open the Query Tool.
- Write a SELECT command to find out what film genres exist in the category table.
- Copy-paste the output into your answers document or write the answers out – it is up to you. Make sure to include the category ID for each genre.

The screenshot shows the pgAdmin 4 interface. The top navigation bar includes Dashboard, Properties, SQL, Statistics, Dependencies, and Dependents. The current database is 'Rockbuster' and the schema is 'postgres@PostgreSQL 14'. The query editor shows the following SQL query:

```
1 SELECT * FROM category
```

The 'Data output' tab is active, displaying the results of the query in a table format. The table has three columns: 'category\_id' (integer, primary key), 'name' (character varying (25)), and 'last\_update' (timestamp without time zone). The results show 16 rows of data, representing different film genres.

	category_id [PK] integer	name character varying (25)	last_update timestamp without time zone
1	1	Action	2006-02-15 09:46:27
2	2	Animation	2006-02-15 09:46:27
3	3	Children	2006-02-15 09:46:27
4	4	Classics	2006-02-15 09:46:27
5	5	Comedy	2006-02-15 09:46:27
6	6	Documentary	2006-02-15 09:46:27
7	7	Drama	2006-02-15 09:46:27
8	8	Family	2006-02-15 09:46:27
9	9	Foreign	2006-02-15 09:46:27
10	10	Games	2006-02-15 09:46:27
11	11	Horror	2006-02-15 09:46:27
12	12	Music	2006-02-15 09:46:27
13	13	New	2006-02-15 09:46:27
14	14	Sci-Fi	2006-02-15 09:46:27
15	15	Sports	2006-02-15 09:46:27
16	16	Travel	2006-02-15 09:46:27

The bottom status bar indicates 'Total rows: 16 of 16', 'Query complete 00:00:00.101', and 'Ln 1, Col 23'.

## Step 2

You are ready to add some new genres. Write an INSERT statement to add the following genres to the category table: Thriller, Crime, Mystery, Romance and War:

- Copy-paste your INSERT commands into your answers document.

The screenshot shows a PostgreSQL client interface with the following components:

- Query Editor:** Contains an INSERT statement to add five new genres to the 'category' table.
- Data Output:** Displays the results of the query as a table with 21 rows.

**Query:**

```
1 INSERT INTO category
2   (category_id,name)
3 VALUES (17,'Thriller'),
4         (18,'Crime'),
5         (19,'Mystery'),
6         (20,'Romance'),
7         (21,'War')
```

**Data Output Table:**

	category_id [PK] integer	name character varying (25)	last_update timestamp without time zone
1	1	Action	2006-02-15 09:46:27
2	2	Animation	2006-02-15 09:46:27
3	3	Children	2006-02-15 09:46:27
4	4	Classics	2006-02-15 09:46:27
5	5	Comedy	2006-02-15 09:46:27
6	6	Documentary	2006-02-15 09:46:27
7	7	Drama	2006-02-15 09:46:27
8	8	Family	2006-02-15 09:46:27
9	9	Foreign	2006-02-15 09:46:27
10	10	Games	2006-02-15 09:46:27
11	11	Horror	2006-02-15 09:46:27
12	12	Music	2006-02-15 09:46:27
13	13	New	2006-02-15 09:46:27
14	14	Sci-Fi	2006-02-15 09:46:27
15	15	Sports	2006-02-15 09:46:27
16	16	Travel	2006-02-15 09:46:27
17	17	Thriller	2022-06-23 21:15:03.912819
18	18	Crime	2022-06-23 21:15:03.912819
19	19	Mystery	2022-06-23 21:15:03.912819
20	20	Romance	2022-06-23 21:15:03.912819
21	21	War	2022-06-23 21:15:03.912819

Total rows: 21 of 21    Query complete 00:00:00.141    Ln 7, Col 18

- The CREATE statement below shows the constraints on the category table. Write a short paragraph explaining the various constraints that have been applied to the columns. What do these constraints do exactly? Why are they important?

```
CREATE TABLE category
(
  category_id integer NOT NULL DEFAULT nextval('category_category_id_
seq'::regclass),
  name text COLLATE pg_catalog."default" NOT NULL,
  last_update timestamp with time zone NOT NULL DEFAULT now(),
  CONSTRAINT category_pkey PRIMARY KEY (category_id)
);
```

**NOT NULL Constraint:** This ensures that the `category_id`, an integer, that can't have any empty or missing values. This record value use the `DEFAULT` command to assign a default value to the affected field. Similar to the name (text) and `last_update` (timestamp with time zone) that both columns can't have any empty or missing values.

**PRIMARY KEY Constraint:** The primary key gives each record in a table a unique ID. The primary key column can't contain any null or duplicate values. `PRIMARY KEY` constraints set the `category_id` column as the primary key.

### Step 3

The genre for the movie African Egg needs to be updated to thriller. Work through the steps below to make this change.

- Write the `SELECT` statement to find the `film_id` for the movie African Egg.
- Once you have the `film_ID` and `category_ID`, write an `UPDATE` command to change the category in the `film_category` table (not the `category` table). Copy-paste this command into your answers document.

The screenshot shows a PostgreSQL client interface with a query editor and a results pane. The query editor contains the following SQL command:

```
1 SEUPDATE film_category
2 SET category_id = 17
3 WHERE film_id = 5
```

The results pane displays a table with the following data:

film_id	category_id	last_update
985	2	2006-02-15 10:07:09
986	12	2006-02-15 10:07:09
987	16	2006-02-15 10:07:09
988	16	2006-02-15 10:07:09
989	11	2006-02-15 10:07:09
990	1	2006-02-15 10:07:09
991	6	2006-02-15 10:07:09
992	3	2006-02-15 10:07:09
993	13	2006-02-15 10:07:09
994	11	2006-02-15 10:07:09
995	6	2006-02-15 10:07:09
996	12	2006-02-15 10:07:09
997	11	2006-02-15 10:07:09
998	3	2006-02-15 10:07:09
999	5	2006-02-15 10:07:09
1000	17	2022-06-23 21:50:26.398462

The status bar at the bottom indicates: Total rows: 1000 of 1000, Query complete 00:00:00.086, Ln 3, Col 18.

#### Step 4

Since there aren't many movies in the mystery category, you and your manager decide to remove it from the category table. Write a DELETE command to do so and copy-paste it into your answers document.

The screenshot shows a PostgreSQL web interface with the following components:

- Top Bar:** Dashboard, Properties, SQL, Statistics, Dependencies, Dependents, and a connection string: Rockbuster/postgres@PostgreSQL 14\*.
- Query Editor:** Contains the SQL command:

```
1 DELETE
2 FROM category
3 WHERE name = 'Mystery'
```
- Data Output:** Displays the results of the query in a table with 20 rows. The columns are category\_id, name, and last\_update.
- Status Bar:** Shows "Total rows: 20 of 20", "Query complete 00:00:00.120", and "Ln 3, Col 22".

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1	1	Action	2006-02-15 09:46:27
2	2	Animation	2006-02-15 09:46:27
3	3	Children	2006-02-15 09:46:27
4	4	Classics	2006-02-15 09:46:27
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#### Step 5

Based on what you've learned so far, think about what it would be like to complete steps 1 to 4 with Excel instead of SQL. Are there any pros and cons to using SQL? Write a paragraph explaining your answer.

SQL is faster, easier, and safer than Excel. It can take minutes in SQL to find the data, but Excel could take an hour. Excel can technically handle one million rows, but that's before the pivot tables, multiple tabs and functions we are probably using. SQL stores the data separately from our analysis. In summary, Excel is excellent, but it can be inadequate for tasks requiring heavier lifting. SQL can complete most of those tasks faster and is more user-friendly from start to finish.

#### Step 6

Save your "Answers 3.3" document as a PDF and upload it here for your tutor to review.