

SELECT names

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name	continent
Afghanistan	Asia
Albania	Europe
Algeria	Africa
Andorra	Europe
Angola	Africa
....	

Pattern Matching Strings

This tutorial uses the **LIKE** operator to check names. We will be using the SELECT command on the table **world**:

1.

You can use `WHERE name LIKE 'B%'` to find the countries that start with "B".

- The % is a *wild-card* it can match any characters

Find the country that start with Y

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE 'y%'
```

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Correct answer

name
Yemen

2.

Find the countries that end with y

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%y'
```

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Correct answer

name
Germany
Hungary
Italy
Norway
Paraguay
Turkey
Uruguay

3.

Luxembourg has an **x** - so does one other country. List them both.

Find the countries that contain the letter x

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%x%'
```

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Correct answer

name
Luxembourg
Mexico

4.

Iceland, Switzerland end with **land** - but are there others?

Find the countries that end with land

```
SELECT name FROM world  
WHERE name LIKE '%land'
```

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Correct answer

name
Finland
Iceland
New Zealand
Poland
Republic of Ireland
Switzerland
Thailand

5.

Columbia starts with a **C** and ends with **ia** - there are two more like this.

Find the countries that start with C and end with ia

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE 'c%ia'
```

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Correct answer

name
Cambodia
Colombia
Croatia

6.

Greece has a double **e** - who has a double **o**?

Find the country that has oo in the name

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '%oo%'
```

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Correct answer

name
Cameroon

7.

Bahamas has three **a** - who else?

Find the countries that have three or more a in the name

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '%a%a%a%'
```

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Correct answer

name
Afghanistan
Albania
Antigua and Barbuda
Australia
Azerbaijan
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Canada
Central African Republic
Equatorial Guinea

8.

India and Angola have an **n** as the second character. You can use the underscore as a single character wildcard.

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '_n%'
ORDER BY name
```

Find the countries that have "t" as the second character.


```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '_t%'
ORDER BY name
```

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Correct answer

name
Ethiopia
Italy

9.

Les**o**tho and Mo**l**do**v**a both have two o characters separated by two other characters.

Find the countries that have two "o" characters separated by two others.

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '%o__o%'
```

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Correct answer

name
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Lesotho
Moldova
Mongolia
Morocco
Republic of the Congo
São Tomé and Príncipe

10.

Cuba and Togo have four characters names.

Find the countries that have exactly four characters.

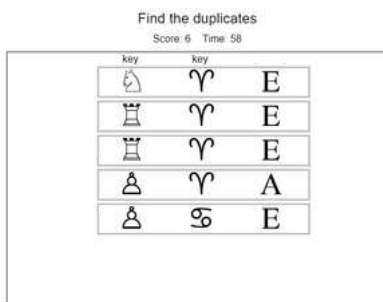
```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE name LIKE '_____'
```

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Correct answer

name
Chad
Cuba
Fiji
Iran
Iraq
Laos
Mali
Oman
Peru

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Find the Duplicates Game

Harder Questions

Well done for getting this far.

The next questions are optional and only for students who are finding the basic questions too easy.

11.

The capital of **Luxembourg** is **Luxembourg**. Show all the countries where the capital is the same as the name of the country

Find the country where the name is the capital city.

```
SELECT name
  FROM world
 WHERE name = capital;
```

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Correct answer

name
Djibouti
Luxembourg
San Marino
Singapore

12.

The capital of **Mexico** is **Mexico City**. Show all the countries where the capital has the country together with the word "City".

Find the country where the capital is the country plus "City".

The concat function

```
SELECT name
FROM world
WHERE capital = concat(name, ' City');
```

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Correct answer

name
Guatemala
Kuwait
Mexico
Monaco
Panama

13.

Find the capital and the name where the capital includes the name of the country.

```
SELECT capital,name  
FROM world  
WHERE capital LIKE concat('%', name, '%');
```

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Correct answer

capital	name
Andorra la Vella	Andorra
Djibouti	Djibouti
Guatemala City	Guatemala
Kuwait City	Kuwait
Luxembourg	Luxembourg
Mexico City	Mexico
Monaco City	Monaco
Panama City	Panama
San Marino	San Marino

14.

Find the capital and the name where the capital is an extension of name of the country.

You *should* include **Mexico City** as it is longer than **Mexico**. You *should not* include **Luxembourg** as the capital is the same as the country.

```
SELECT capital, name
FROM world
WHERE capital LIKE concat(name, '%') AND capital <> name
```

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Correct answer

capital	name
Andorra la Vella	Andorra
Guatemala City	Guatemala
Kuwait City	Kuwait
Mexico City	Mexico
Monaco City	Monaco
Panama City	Panama

15.

The capital of Monaco is **Monaco-Ville**: this is the name **Monaco** and the extension is **-Ville**.

Show the name and the extension where the capital is a proper (non-empty) extension of name of the country.

You can use the SQL function REPLACE.

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result

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