100 DAYS OF SQL

Day 6 – SQL query for finding the nth highest value of a column in the table

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Question: Consider a zoo's AnimalPopulation table, which records the population of various animal species. The table schema includes Animal_ID, Species, and Population columns. Given the sample data provided below, write SQL queries to:

1. Find the species with the second-highest population among all animal species.
2. Find the species with the fourth highest population among all animal species.

Show Species and population in result

Animal_ID	Species	Population
1	Lion	10
2	Elephant	5
3	Giraffe	8
4	Tiger	12
5	Penguin	20
6	Gorilla	7
7	Zebra	15
8	Kangaroo	9
9	Crocodile	6
10	Polar Bear	4
11	Leopard	11
12	Hippopotamus	14
13	Koala	3
14	Rhino	16
15	Panda	13

Creation of table and Insertion of records

```
use _100days_sql;
create table  if not exists AnimalPopulation(Animal_ID int, Species varchar(30), Population int);
insert into AnimalPopulation(Animal_ID, Species, Population) values(1, "Lion", 10), (2, "Elephant", 5), (3, "Giraffe", 8),
(4, "Tiger", 12), (5, "Penguin", 20), (6, "Gorilla", 7), (7, "Zebra", 15), (8, "Kangaroo", 9), (9, "Crocodile", 6),
(10, "Polar Bear", 4), (11, "Leopard", 11), (12, "Hippopotamus", 14), (13, "Koala", 3), (14, "Rhino", 16),
(15, "Panda", 13);
```

1) Second highest (First way – Correlated Subquery)

```
SELECT
    Species, Population
FROM
    AnimalPopulation AS a
WHERE
    2 = (SELECT
            COUNT(DISTINCT Population)
        FROM
            AnimalPopulation AS e
        WHERE
            a.Population <= e.Population);
```

Output:

Result Grid | Filter Rows:

	Species	Population
▶	Rhino	16

1) Second highest (Second way – Using DENSE_RANK)

```
24
25 •  SELECT Species, Population FROM
26        (SELECT *, dense_rank() OVER (ORDER BY Population DESC) rn  FROM AnimalPopulation ) as a
27    WHERE rn = 2;
```

Output:

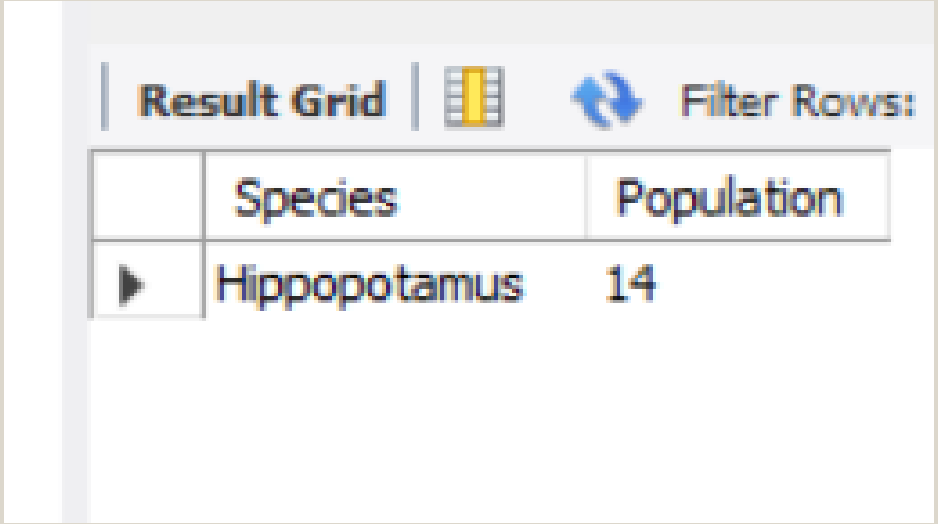
Result Grid | Filter Rows:

	Species	Population
▶	Rhino	16

1) **Fourth highest (First way – Correlated Subquery)**

```
12 •  SELECT
13        Species, Population
14    FROM
15        AnimalPopulation AS a
16    WHERE
17        4 = (SELECT
18                COUNT(DISTINCT Population)
19            FROM
20                AnimalPopulation AS e
21            WHERE
22                a.Population <= e.Population);
23
```

Output:



1) **Fourth highest (Second way – Using DENSE_RANK)**

```
7
8 •  SELECT Species, Population FROM
9        (SELECT *, dense_rank() OVER (ORDER BY Population DESC) rn  FROM AnimalPopulation ) as a
10   WHERE rn = 4;
11
```

Output:

Result Grid | Filter Rows:

	Species	Population
▶	Hippopotamus	14

For nth highest Queries can be written as follows:

```
1) SELECT Species, Population FROM
     (SELECT *, dense_rank() OVER (ORDER BY Population DESC) rn
               FROM AnimalPopulation ) a WHERE rn = n;
```

```
2) SELECT  Species, Population FROM  AnimalPopulation a
     WHERE    n = (SELECT  COUNT(DISTINCT Population)  FROM    AnimalPopulation  e
                              WHERE a.Population <= e.Population);
```