--use UPPER and LOWER for display formatting... does not change table

SELECT UPPER(first\_name), LOWER(last\_name)

FROM employees;

--length retunrs numChars

SELECT LENGTH(first\_name), LOWER(last\_name)

FROM employees;

--use TRIM to get rid of leading, trailing spaces

SELECT TRIM(' HELLO WORLDS ');

--nested funtions work in to out

SELECT LENGTH(TRIM(' HELLO WORLDS '));

--use || to concatenate values from two columns together (and a space)

SELECT first\_name ||' '|| last\_name as full\_name --as keyword is cleaner but optional

FROM employees;

-- with another column

SELECT first\_name ||' '|| last\_name as full\_name, department

FROM employees;

--return booleans for certain returned display, false is default

SELECT first\_name ||' '|| last\_name as full\_name, (salary>115000)

FROM employees

ORDER BY salary>115000 DESC;