

1. List three data sources Power BI can connect to.

- SQL Server Database
 - Excel files
 - Web APIs
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2. What is the first step to import data into Power BI Desktop?

Click **“Get Data”** from the Home tab and choose a data source.

3. How do you refresh imported data in Power BI?

Click **“Refresh”** in Power BI Desktop (or schedule refresh in the Service).

4. What file formats can Power BI import directly? (Name two.)

- CSV (.csv)
 - Excel (.xlsx)
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5. What does the "Navigator" window show after selecting a data source?

It shows the **available tables, sheets, or queries** in the selected source with a **preview of the data**.

6. Import Sales_Data.csv and load only the "Product" and "Price" columns.

- Go to **Get Data** → **Text/CSV** → **Sales_Data.csv**
 - In the **Navigator**, click **Transform Data**
 - In **Power Query**, select only *Product* and *Price* columns → click **Close & Load**.
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7. How would you change OrderDate to a date format during import?

In Power Query, select **OrderDate** column → **Transform tab** → **Data Type** → **Date**.

8. What is the difference between "Load" and "Transform Data" in the import dialog?

- **Load:** Directly loads the data into the model.
 - **Transform Data:** Opens Power Query Editor to clean/shape the data before loading.
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9. Why might you see an error when connecting to a SQL database? (Name one reason.)

- Invalid **credentials or permissions**
 - Incorrect **server/database name**
 - Firewall restrictions
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10. How do you replace a data source after importing it?

Go to **Home** → **Data source settings** → **Change Source** and update the file path or server details.

12. How would you change the data source if Sales_Data.csv changed?

Go to **Data source settings** → **Change Source**, then update to the new file path or file.

13. Troubleshoot: Your CSV import fails due to a "mixed data type" error—how do you fix it?

- In Power Query, set the column's **data type explicitly** (e.g., change to *Text* or *Number*).
 - Or use the **"Detect Data Type"** feature.
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14. Connect to a live SQL database with parameters (e.g., filter by year).

- Create a **parameter** in Power Query (e.g., `YearParam`)
- In the SQL query, reference the parameter:

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SELECT * FROM Sales WHERE YEAR(OrderDate) = @YearParam
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- Power BI will dynamically filter based on the parameter value.
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15. How would you automate data imports using Power BI and Power Automate?

- In Power BI Service, set up a **refresh schedule**.
- Use **Power Automate** to trigger dataset refreshes (e.g., when a new file is added to OneDrive/SharePoint).