

# L1\_Exercise\_1\_Creating\_a\_Table\_with\_Postgres

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## 1 Lesson 1 Exercise 1: Creating a Table with PostgreSQL

### Walk through the basics of PostgreSQL. You will need to complete the following tasks:

Create a table in PostgreSQL,

Insert rows of data

Run a simple SQL query to validate the information. ##### denotes where the code needs to be completed.

**Import the library** *Note:* An error might popup after this command has executed. If it does, read it carefully before ignoring.

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In [1]: import psycopg2
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In [2]: !echo "alter user student createdb;" | sudo -u postgres psql
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ALTER ROLE
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### 1.0.1 Create a connection to the database

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In [3]: try:
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    conn = psycopg2.connect("host=127.0.0.1 dbname=studentdb user=student password=student")
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Could not make connection to the Postgres database")
    print(e)
```

### 1.0.2 Use the connection to get a cursor that can be used to execute queries.

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In [4]: try:
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```
    cur = conn.cursor()
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Could not get curser to the Database")
    print(e)
```

### 1.0.3 TO-DO: Set automatic commit to be true so that each action is committed without having to call conn.commit() after each command.

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In [5]: # TO-DO: set automatic commit to be true
        conn.set_session(autocommit=True)
```

#### 1.0.4 TO-DO: Create a database to do the work in.

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In [6]: ## TO-DO: Add the database name within the CREATE DATABASE statement. You can choose your
try:
    cur.execute("create database stack")
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print(e)
```

**TO-DO: Add the database name in the connect statement. Let's close our connection to the default database, reconnect to the Udacity database, and get a new cursor.**

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In [7]: ## TO-DO: Add the database name within the connect statement
try:
    conn.close()
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print(e)

try:
    conn = psycopg2.connect("host=127.0.0.1 dbname=stack user=student password=student")
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Could not make connection to the Postgres database")
    print(e)

try:
    cur = conn.cursor()
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Could not get cursor to the Database")
    print(e)

conn.set_session(autocommit=True)
```

#### 1.0.5 Create a Song Library that contains a list of songs, including the song name, artist name, year, album it was from, and if it was a single.

song\_title artist\_name year album\_name single

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In [8]: ## TO-DO: Finish writing the CREATE TABLE statement with the correct arguments
try:
    cur.execute("CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS songs (song_title varchar, \
                artist_name varchar, \
                year int, \
                album_name varchar, \
                single boolean);")
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Issue creating table")
    print(e)
```

#### 1.0.6 TO-DO: Insert the following two rows in the table

First Row: "Across The Universe", "The Beatles", "1970", "Let It Be", "False"

Second Row: "Think For Yourself", "The Beatles", "1965", "Rubber Soul", "False"

In [9]: *## TO-DO: Finish the INSERT INTO statement with the correct arguments*

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try:
    cur.execute("INSERT INTO songs (song_title, artist_name, year, album_name, single) \
VALUES (%s, %s, %s, %s, %s)", \
              ("Across The Universe", "The Beatles", 1970, "Let It Be", False))
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Inserting Rows")
    print (e)

try:
    cur.execute("INSERT INTO songs (song_title, artist_name, year, album_name, single) \
VALUES (%s, %s, %s, %s, %s)", \
              ("Think For Yourself", "The Beatles", 1965, "Rubber Soul", False))
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: Inserting Rows")
    print (e)
```

### 1.0.7 TO-DO: Validate your data was inserted into the table.

In [10]: *## TO-DO: Finish the SELECT \* Statement*

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try:
    cur.execute("SELECT * FROM songs")
except psycopg2.Error as e:
    print("Error: select *")
    print (e)

row = cur.fetchone()
while row:
    print(row)
    row = cur.fetchone()

('Across The Universe', 'The Beatles', 1970, 'Let It Be', False)
('Think For Yourself', 'The Beatles', 1965, 'Rubber Soul', False)
```

### 1.0.8 And finally close your cursor and connection.

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In [11]: cur.close()
         conn.close()
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In [ ]: