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1. What is App in Sales force?

An app is a group of tabs that work as a unit to provide functionality. Users can switch between apps using the Force.com app drop-down menu at the top-right corner of every page. You can customize existing apps to match the way you work, or build new apps by grouping standard and custom tabs. Navigation to create app in Sales force: Setup ->Build ->Create->App-> Click on new and create your application according to your requirements.

2. What is object in Sales force?

Custom objects are database tables that allow you to store data specific to your organization in salesforce.com. You can use custom objects to extend salesforce.com functionality or to build new application functionality. Once you have created a custom object, you can create a custom tab, custom related lists, reports, and dashboards for users to interact with the custom object data. You can also access custom object data through the Force.com API. Navigation to create object in sales force: Setup->Build->Create->Object-> Click on new object and create object according to your requirement.

3. How many relationships included in SFDC & What are they?

We are having two types of relationships, they are Lookup Relationship Master-Detail Relationship

4. What is "Lookup Relationship"?

This type of relationship links two objects together, Up to 25 allowed for object Parent is not a required field. No impact on a security and access. No impact on deletion. Can be multiple layers deep. Lookup field is not required.

5. What is "Master-Detail Relationship"?

Master Detail relationship is the Parent child relationship. In which Master represents Parent and detail represents Child. If Parent is deleted then Child also gets deleted. Rollup summary fields can only be created on Master records which will calculate the SUM, AVG, MIN of the Child records. Up to 2 allowed to object. Parent field on child is required. Access to parent determines access to children. Deleting parent automatically deletes child. A child of one master detail relationship cannot be the parent of another. Lookup field on page layout is required.

6. How can I create Many – to – Many relationship?

Lookup and Master detail relationships are one to many relationships. We can create many – to – Many relationship by using junction object. Junction object is a custom object with two master detail relationships.

7. A custom object contains some records, now my requirement is to create field in this object with master detail relationship. Can we create master detail relationship in this case?

No, directly we cannot create master details relationship if custom object contains existing

records.

Following are the steps to create master-detail relationship when records are available in custom object.

1. First create field with lookup relationship.
2. And then associate look field with parent record for every record
3. Next change the data type of the field from look up to Master detail.

8. List examples of custom field types?

Text, Pick list, Pick list (multi select), Date, Email, Date/Time, Date, Currency, Checkbox, Number, Percent, Phone, URL, Text Area, Geolocation, lookup relationship, master detail relationship etc....

9. What is TAB in Salesforce?

Tab is a user interface component to user creates to display custom object data.

There are three type of tabs.

Custom Tabs

Visual force Tabs

Web Tabs

10. Does user can create insert their own custom logo, while creating their own custom applications?

Yes user can upload their custom logo in documents and then they choose that logo for organization.

11. List things that can be customized on page layouts?

We can customize different things on page layout like, Fields, Buttons, Custom Links and Related Lists. We can also create sections.

12. What is a "Self Relationship"?

Self Relationship is a lookup relationship to the same object. Suppose let's take an object "Merchandise". Here we can create relationship in between the Account to Account (same object) object. That is called "Self Relationship".

13. What are the main things need to consider in the "Master-Detail Relationship"?

Record level access is determined by the parent, Mandatory on child for reference of parent, cascade delete (if you delete the parent, it can cascade delete the child).

14. What is difference between trigger and workflow?

Workflow

Workflow is automated process that fired an action based on Evaluation criteria and rule criteria.

We can access a workflow across the object.

We cannot perform DML operation on workflow

We cannot query from database

Trigger

Trigger is a piece of code that executes before or after a record is inserted or updated.

We can access the trigger across the object and related to that objects

We can use 20 DML operations in one trigger.

We can use 20 SOQL's from data base in one trigger.

15. What is Wrapper class?

A Wrapper class is a class whose instances are collection of other objects.

It is used to display different objects on a Visual Force page in same table.

16. What is Difference between SOQL and SOSL?

SOQL(Salesforce Object Query Language)

Using SOQL we can Search only on one object at a time.

We can query on all fields of any datatype

We can use SOQL in Triggers and classes.

We can perform DML operation on query results.

SOSL(Salesforce object Search Language)

Using SOSL we can search on many objects at a time.

We can query only on fields whose data type is text, phone and Email.

We can use in classes but not in Triggers.

We cannot perform DML operation on search result

17. What is difference insert() and database .insert() ?

Using insert method we can insert the records but if any error occurs in any record system will throw an error insertion fail and none of the records are inserted.

If we want to execute partially success of bulk insert operation we will use database .insert.

18. What is Static Resources?

Using Static Resources we can upload images, zip files, jar files, java script and CSS files that can be referred in a visual force page.

The maximum size of Static Resources for an organization is 250mB.

19. How to call java script using Static Resource in Visual Force page?

Add java script file in Static Resource setup -> develop -> Static Resources -> click on 'New' -> Name: filename and add file from local desktop and save.

We can use that file as follows in Visual Force page

<apex: include values=" {! \$Resource.fileName}"/>

20. What is sharing rule?

If we want to give the access to other users we use sharing rules.

21. How many ways we can share a record?

Role Hierarchy:

If we add a user to a role, the user is above in the role hierarchy will have read access.

Setup -> manage users -> roles -> setup troles -> click on 'add role' -> provide name and save.

OWD:

Defines the base line setting for the organization.

Defines the level of access to the user can see the other user's record

OWD can be Private, Public Read Only, Public Read and Write.

Setup -> Security Controls -> sharing settings -> Click on 'Edit'

Manual Sharing:

Manual Sharing is sharing a single record to single user or group of users.

We can see this button detail page of the record and this is visible only when OWD setting is private.

Criteria Based Sharing rules:

If we want to share records based on condition like share records to group of users

Whose criteria are country is India.

Setup -> security controls -> sharing settings -> select the object and provide name and Conditions and save

Apex sharing:

Share object is available for every object(For Account object share object is AccountShare). If we want to share the records using apex we have to create a record to the share object.

22. What are the actions in workflow?

1. Email Alert
2. Task
3. Field Update
4. Outbound Message

23. How many ways we can make field is required?

1. While creation of field
2. Validation rules
3. Page Layout level

24. What is difference between Role and Profile?

Role is Record level access and it is not mandatory for all users.

Profile is object level and field level access and it is mandatory for all users.

25. What is the maximum size of the PDF generated on visualforce attribute renderAs?

15MB

26. How many controllers can be used in a visual force page?

Salesforce come under SAAS so, we can use one controller and as many extension controllers.

27. What is difference between Action support and Action function?

Action function: Invoke the controller method from java script using AJAX and we can use action function from different places on visual force page.

Action support: Invoke the controller method using AJAX when even occurs on page like onMouseOver, onClick, ect... and we can use action support for particular single apex component.

28. How many ways we can call the Apex class?

1. Visual force page
2. Web Service
3. Triggers
4. Email services

29. How to create Master Details relationship between existing records?

Directly we can't create Master Detail relationship between existing records, first we have to create Lookup relationship and provide valid lookup fields and it shouldn't null.

30. What is permission set?

Permission sets extend user's functional access without changing user's profile.

Ex: A user has only read access through profile on custom object, administrator want to give access Edit and create operations to him without changing the profile. Administrator creates the permission set having edit and creates operation on custom object and assign to that user.

31. What is manual sharing?

Manual sharing is to share a record to a particular user manually.

Go to detail page of record and click on manual sharing button and assign that record to other user with Read or Read/Write access.

Manual Sharing button enables only when OWD is private to that object.

32. How we can change the Grant access using role hierarchy for standard objects?

Not possible.

33. What is the use of "Transfer Record" in profile?

If user have only Read access on particular record but he wants to change the owner name of that record, then in profile level Transfer Record enables he can able to change the owner.

34. What is Field dependency?

According to the field selection on one field filter the pick list values on other field.

35. Is check box performs like controlling field?

Yes possible. Controlling field should be Check box or pick list.

36. How many field dependencies we can use in Visual Force page?

Maximum we can use 10 field dependencies in VF page.

37. What is Roll-up summary?

Roll-up displays the count of child records and calculate the sum, min and max of fields of the child records.

38. How to create Roll-up summary field on lookup relation?

Not possible. Roll-up summary is enabled for only Master –Detail relationship.

39. What are the Record Types?

Record Types are restrict the pick list values and assign to the different page layouts for different Record Types.

40. What is Audit Trail?

Audit Trail provides the information or track all the recent setup changes that an administrator done to the organization.

This can store the last 6 months data.

41. What are the Report Types?

4 Types of report in Salesforce

Tabular Reports: We can only displays the grand total in the table form.

Summary Reports: It is a detail form of report in which the grouping done based on Columns.

Matrix Reports: It is a detail form of report in which the grouping done based on both Rows and Columns.

Joined Reports: We can join the two or more reports in the single report displayed in the form of

blocks.

42. What is Dashboard?

Dashboard is a pictorial representation of report. We can add up to 20 reports in single dashboard.

43. What is the relationship between Contact and Account objects in salesforce?

In Salesforce, Contacts is having a look up relationship with Accounts i.e., Simple relationship

44. What are different Organization Wide Defaults? Explain each of them?

Below are the different OWD values

Private

If the OWD for an object is set to private, then only the owner, and users above that role in role hierarchy, can view, edit and report on those records

Public Read Only

If the OWD for an object is set to Public Read Only, then all users can view and report on records but they cannot edit them. Only the record owner and the users above that role in the role hierarchy can edit the records

Public Read/Write ||

If the OWD for an object is set to Public Read/Write, then all users can view, edit and report on all records. But only owner of the record can delete the records.

Public Read/Write/Transfer

This is available only for Case and Lead objects

If the OWD for an object is set to Public Read/Write/Transfer then, all users can view, edit, transfer and report on all the records but only owner of the record can delete the records

Public Full Access

This is available only for Campaign object.

If the OWD for Campaigns are set Public Full Access then, all users can view, edit, delete and report on all records.

No Access, View Only or Use

This is available only for Price Book object.

If the OWD for Price Book is set Use then, all users can access the Price Book information and as well as using the Price Book configuration for Opportunities with Products.

If the OWD for Price Book is set View Only then, all users can access the Price Book information but not to use that Price Book detail in Opportunities with Products

If the OWD for Price Book is set No Access then, it restricts users from accessing information for Price Book and Prices.

Controlled By Parent

If the OWD for any object is set as Controlled By Parent, then user can perform an action on the

record based on whether they can do the same on the parent record associated with it

45. Is it mandatory to select User License while creating permission sets? If not, what is the significance of selecting a User License?

It is not mandatory to select a User License while creating a permission sets.

If users with one type of license will use this permission set, then choose the same license that's associate with them.

If you are planning to assign this permission set to multiple users with different licenses then, choose none.

46. Can we create a new profile without cloning an existing profiles?

No, we have to clone any one of the existing profiles to create a new profile

47. Please explain the use of Grant Access Using Hierarchies?

In Sharing settings, OWD settings, we have a check box Grant Access Using Hierarchies (for both standard and custom objects). If this check box is checked then it will give automatic access to the user's data to other users in higher role of salesforce CRM Role Hierarchy.

If this check box is not checked then, only record owner and users granted access by OWD can gain the access.

49. What is the batch size limit (increment size for batch) in Data Loader?

Data Loader batch size limit is maximum of 200 per increment and if we selected Use Bulk API then maximum value is 10000

50. What is the difference between Export and Export All in the context of Data Loader?

Export enables user to export all the records for a particular object excluding the records in the recycle bin or soft deleted records.

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51. What are the post refresh considerations?

1. New Organization ID is assigned to the refreshed sandbox every time it is refreshed. Hence we need to replace the hard coded organization id in our sandbox post refresh with newly created organization id.

2. To ensure the uniqueness, in all user records, user name will be appended by sandbox name, if the resulting user name is not unique then, second round of modification is performed to prepend the user name with alpa numeric string to make sure the resulting username is unique.

3. The copy process does not copy contact data to developer and configuration sandboxes. Therefore, customer portal users are not copied. These customer portal users need to be created manually on need basis.

4. User email addresses are modified in sandbox to avoid sending any mail from sandbox such as notifications triggered by workflows and escalations rules.

5. Newly created sandboxes have the default email deliverability setting System email only. We need to change this to All Email.

6. If Server URL is hardcoded in the code, then we need to replace it with the newly created URL

52. What is the storage limit of Full Copy, Configuration Only and Developer sandboxes?

Full Copy Sandbox has the same storage limit as your production organization

Configuration Only sandbox has the storage limit of 500MB

Developer Sandbox has the storage limit of 10MB

53. What is the interval of refreshing of Full Copy, Configuration Only and Developer sandboxes?

Full Copy Sandbox can be refreshed once in 29 days

Configuration Sandbox can be refreshed once per day

Developer Sandbox can be refreshed once per day

54. What are the default sharing settings?

Default sharing settings are as follows

Controlled By Parent

Private

Public Read Onlys

Public ReadWrite

Public Read/Write/Transfer (Only for Case and Lead objects)

Public Full Access (Only for Campaign object)

Grant Access Using Hierarchies

55. How many roles we can create for an organization?

We can create up to 500 roles for an organization

56. How many permission sets we can create for an organization?

We can create up to 1000 permission sets for an organization

57. How many types of custom tabs are available in salesforce?

There are 3 types of custom tabs are available in salesforce

1. Custom Object Tabs

2. Visualforce Tabs

3. Web Tabs

58. How many Master-Detail relationships is allowed for an Object?

Each custom object can have up to two master-detail relationships and up to 25 total relationships

59. How many criteria based sharing rules is allowed for an Object?

Up to 50 criteria based sharing rules are allowed for an object

60. How many days the deleted data will be reside in recycle bin?

Deleted date will be stored in recycle bin for 15 days after 15 days the data will be hard deleted

61. What are differences between custom settings and custom objects?

Custom Settings:

1. Custom settings are SOQL inexpensive
2. We can't write triggers on custom settings
3. Fields on which we can create custom settings are restricted like picklists, lookups and formula fields can't be created in custom settings
4. No Page layouts, record types, validation rules and workflow rules can be used on custom settings

Custom Objects:

1. Custom Objects are SOQL Expensive
2. We can have triggers on custom objects
3. No restrictions on creation of fields
4. Can be used on Custom objects

62. What are differences between workflows and approval process?

The key difference between workflows and approval process are as below

Workflow rules consist of single step and a single action where as approval process has multiple steps and different actions.

Workflow rules trigger automatically and the rules when triggered are not visible to the user.

Approval process on the other hand, contains multiple steps each requiring a specific "I Approve or Reject" user action by the specified approvers.

63. What is the daily email alerts limit per standard salesforce license for workflow and approval process? And what is the overall daily organization limit?

Daily email alert for approval process and workflow are 1000 per standard salesforce license.

Overall daily organization limit for workflow and approval process email alert is 2000000 (2 million)

64. How many ways a field can be made mandatory?

A field can be made mandatory in 4 ways.

1. While creating a field, we can make it mandatory
2. Using Page Layouts
3. Using Triggers
4. Validation Rules

65. What are trigger best practices?

Trigger best practices include below things

1. Avoid DML, SOQLs in triggers
2. Have one trigger per object
3. Have a helper class to hold the logic of the trigger
4. Avoid recursion

66. What are the difference between 15 digit id and 18 digit id?

Difference between 15 digit ID and 18 digit ID is,

15 digit id is case sensitive

18 digit id is case insensitive

Last 3 characters of the 18 digit id represent the checksum of the capitalization of the first 15 digits

67. What are different user licenses available in salesforce and explain them?

Below is the list of licenses available in salesforce

Full access to salesforce CRM and appExchange

- (1) Salesforce Access only to Custom apps but not standard CRM
- (2) Salesforce Platform Designed to access only one custom app with unlimited number of tabs
- (3) Force.com One App Grant user access to Force.com Light app or Force.com enterprise app but no CRM functionality
- (4) Force.com Knowledge Subscription Designed for users who only need access to the Salesforce Knowledge app
- (5) Knowledge Only User User has access to chatter which includes feeds, profiles, files and groups
- (6) Chatter Free Designed to allow customers in Chatter groups. Customers are users outside of a company's email domain.
- (7) Chatter External User has access to Groups, feeds, people, profiles and files along with access to
- (8) Chatter Only view accounts and contacts, modify custom objects and use CRM contents, Ideas and wers

68. What is traction workbench in salesforce?

Traction workbench is a salesforce feature for implementing the language in multiple languages. i.e not just the data but also all your configurations and customizations that you do as part of the implementation.

69. What is workbench in salesforce?

Workbench is a powerful, web-based suite of tools designed for administrators and developers to interact with salesforce.com organizations via the force.com APIs. Workbench includes robust support for the Force.com Partner, Bulk, Rest, Streaming, Metadata, and Apex APIs that allows

users to describe, query, manipulate, and migrate both data and metadata in Salesforce.com organizations directly in their web browser with a simple and intuitive user interface

70. What is Data Loader and how many ways we can use Data Loader?

Data Loader is a client application, used for bulk import or export of data.

Data Loader can be used in 2 ways.

1. User Interface
2. Command Line

71. How many records we can insert using Data Loader?

We can insert up to 5 million records using Data Loader

72. What are the objects supported by Data Loader?

Data Loader supports all objects including custom objects

73. How often do Salesforce update the software?

The background software is typically updated thrice a year, Spring, Winter and Summer. Software updates are transparent to the user base and only require a small maintenance window over the weekend.

74. Can I have custom development within the Salesforce.com platform?

Yes, there are a number of different programming solutions available depending on the type of development required. There is the FORCE.COM development environment and typically Apex and Java languages that can be used.

75. Can I integrate my email from Outlook or other mail solutions?

Yes, there are a number of standard off the shelf tools that allow emails and contact information to be synchronized with data in Salesforce.com

76. How easy is it to customize the environment to reflect the way my business works?

It is relatively easy to configure the look and feel, add new fields, load up your company logo and change page layouts. You should always have a CRM strategy before you start and consider the impact of change on your data. If you have any concerns, our team of experts will happily help you!

77. How much space do I get with Salesforce?

All customers receive the default minimum storage amount of 1GB of data and 1GB of files. Group Edition has 1GB of data and 1GB of file storage shared by all users. Professional and

*Enterprise Editions provide 20MB of data and 600MB of file storage per user.
Unlimited Edition provides 120MB of data and 600MB of file storage per user.*

78. Where is my data being stored?

Depending on your geographical location, Salesforce.com will store your data in a number of hosted facilities in North America, Europe or the Asia Pacific.

79. How do I get my data back?

There are a number of tools and services that allow you to extract your data on going and at the end of the service contract. If you need a business continuity or Disaster Recovery plan, our trained Salesforce professionals will be please to help!

80. Are there Apps that perform different functions and services in Salesforce.com?

Yes, Salesforce has its own marketplace with currently over 1500 cloud computing and business applications to download and install.

81. What is the difference between Customer portal and Partner portal?

Traditionally Partner Portal is part of companies Partner Channel Sales efforts. It is a portal focused more on Sales force automation and the efforts of those partners that sell your products to nurture the leads you pass to them, the leads they enter in themselves and the convert to Opportunity and subsequent sale.

Customer Portal on the other hand is more focused on the Service and Support of one's Customers.

The feature differences are that Partner Portal exposes the Leads and Opportunity objects whereas the Customer Portal does not. However, only the top tier of Partner licensing (Gold Partner licenses) exposes the Case object whereas this is standard in the Customer Portal.

82. Give one example where you will use a trigger instead of a workflow?

Workflow allows us to perform certain operation on only one object but if we required performing operations/tasks/updates on multiple objects then we use trigger instead of workflows.

83. Explain the lead conversion process in salesforce?

When you convert a lead, the standard lead fields are automatically converted to the new account, contact, and, optionally, an opportunity using the information from the lead. Custom lead fields are converted to custom account, contact, and opportunity fields as specified by your administrator.

All open and closed activities from the lead are attached to the account, contact, and opportunity.

84. Dashboards cannot be created on which kind of Reports?

Dashboard cant be created using Tabular reports. (If we specify row limit, we can create dashboards using tabular reports also)

85. What is the difference between Task and Events?

An event is a calendar event scheduled for a specific day and time.

Examples of events are:

- 1) Meetings
- 2) Scheduled Conference Calls

A task is an activity not scheduled for an exact day and time. You can specify a due date for a task or there may not be a particular time or date that the tasks or activities need to be completed by.

Examples of tasks are:

- 1) A list of phone calls you need to make.
- 2) An email that needs to be sent.

86. What are person accounts?

A person account is an individual consumer with whom you do business, such as a financial services client, an online shopper, or a vacation traveler. Person accounts are applicable to organizations that operate on a business-to-consumer model as opposed to a business-to-business model.

87. What are system fields? Can you name some of them?

System fields are read-only fields found on most objects. These fields are automatically updated during API operations

Examples are, Id, IsDeleted, CreatedByld, CreatedDate , LastModifiedByld, LastModifiedDate and SystemModstamp

88. What is mini page layout?

A mini page layout contains a subset of the items in an existing page layout. Mini page layouts inherit record type and profile associations, related lists, fields, and field access settings from their associated page layout

89. What is Customer Relationship Management (CRM)?

Customer Relationship Management (CRM) and Customer Experience Management (CEM) are about ensuring that your customers receive the best possible service from your organization. It is the drawing together of all the resources within your business to work for your customer to maximize your value to your their business.

90. Do I need to install anything on my workstation(s) to use Salesforce.com?

No! You can start using Salesforce.com through any web browser; however some extended functionality requires you to use Microsoft Internet Explorer because features such as mail merging from Salesforce.com to create a Word document require the installation of a small ActiveX plugin.

91. What happens if I find a fault in Salesforce.com?

Salesforce.com incorporates an extensive help and 'how do I do that' system that is fully searchable. If you can't find an wer there why not ask one of our experts?

92. Can I use my existing applications in conjunction with Salesforce.com?

Salesforce.com comes with a number of tools for integrating it with applications such as Word, Excel and Outlook. There is also a large pool of custom written paid for Apps and Plugins available at the 'Salesforce AppXchange. Further to this some versions of Salesforce.com provide access to the Salesforce.com API and if you have access to the skills of a Developer he will be able to learn to write code that might for example get Salesforce.com functioning with an existing Microsoft SQL Database.

93. What is a Lead?

A Lead is not yet a customer but any person or organization or company they may be interested in your company purchasing your product or using your services, you can import lead information into Salesforce by manually entering or importing from outside

94. What is a Contact?

A contact is any point of contact individual or influential directly associated with the account and possibly one or more opportunities. Information gathered about contact including name, phone number, address, position, and company and email information

95. Explain Lead conversion?

Lead can be converted in salesforce.com and the converted information is mapped to the

appropriate business objects – Account, Contact or Opportunity

- *The system automatically maps standard lead fields to standard account, contact, and opportunity fields*
- *For custom lead fields, your administrator can specify how they map to custom account, contact, and opportunity fields*
- *The system assigns the default picklist values for the account, contact, and opportunity when mapping any standard lead picklist fields that are blank. If your organization uses record types, blank values are replaced with the default picklist values of the new record owner.*
- *If the lead has a record type, the default record type of the new owner is assigned to records created during lead conversion.*

96. What is a Web-to-Lead?

Web to Lead is an online form to capture lead information and this will be published on your website.

97. What is an Auto-Response Rule?

Auto response rules are rules configured to send an email/response to the users/group. This determines which Email Template to send to cases generated via Web-to-Case

98. What is a Case?

Case is a logged issue or problem or Detail description of the problems, questions and feedback gathered from your customers.

Cases can be created by

- *Manually entered from a phone call or an email*
- *Automatically create Case from an email (Email- to- Case)*
- *Automatically captured using Web site (Web-to-Case)*
- *Create a Case functionality in Outlook Edition*
- *May be assigned either manually or automatically via Assignment Rules*

99. What is a Case Queue?

Case queue is a virtual storage bin that can be used to group cases based on criteria such as skill requirements, product categories, customer types, or service levels.

- *Users have visibility into the Case Queues to which they are members*

- Cases remain in the Queue until they are assigned to or taken by individual users

100. What is a Case Assignment Rule?

Case Assignment rules determines how Cases are automatically routed to User or Queue

Contains Rule Entries, pre-defined business rules that determine Case routing

101. What is Web-to-Case?

Web to Case is a method of capturing a problem/query from the customers. A web form that is published to a web site and Customers use to submit inquiries online

102. What is Email-to-Case?

Email to Case is a process of automatically creating a case when an email is sent to one of your company's email addresses.

103. What is an Escalation Rule?

Escalation rules are rules, automatically escalates an unresolved Case within a certain period of time (age over)

based on pre-defined business criteria

104. What are Business Hours?

Business hours are organization's hours of operation

105. What is a Solution?

- An answer to a common question or problem
- Enables Customer Support users get up to speed quickly
- Enables Support teams to answer questions quickly and consistently
- Customers search for and browse published Solutions to self-assist
- Content-Rich Solutions are an enhancement to the Solution Object which allows solution writers to integrate rich text and images into their solutions to completely solve a problem

What is a Category?

- Mechanism to organize Solutions
- Solutions may be associated to one or more Categories
- Categories make up a Solution Category tree structure

What are Suggested Solutions?

- The suggested solutions feature displays up to ten relevant solutions that may help users and customers solve a particular case from the case detail page and the Self-Service portal.

- Suggested Solutions can be enabled for the following:

Cases tab

Self Service Portal

Case auto-response rules and emails

106. What is the Self-Service Portal?

Self service portal is an authenticated portal which provides 24/7 online support and contains Public Knowledge Base, Suggested Solutions and Web-to-Case functionality

107. What is the AppExchange?

AppExchange is a Website Owned and Operated by salesforce.com which enables Partners and Customers to Download & Install Custom Apps and Components as per the need.

108. Jump Start Wizard vs. Standard Wizard ?

The Jump Start wizard creates a one-step approval process for you in just a few minutes
The Standard Wizard is useful for complex approval processes.

Jump Start Wizard

- The jump start wizard is useful for simple approval processes with a single step.
- Use the jump start wizard if you want to create an approval process quickly by allowing Salesforce to automatically choose some default options for you.

Standard Wizard

- The standard wizard is useful for complex approval processes.
- Use it when you want to fine tune the steps in your approval process.
- The standard wizard consists of a setup wizard that allows you to define your process and another setup wizard that allows you to define each step in the process.

109. Parallel Approval Routing ?

Parallel Approval Routing is sending approval requests to multiple approvers in a single step Wait for approval from all the approvers or wait for approval from any one

Configure an approval step to request approval from any combination of multiple users and related users

Configure 25 parallel approvers at each step

110. What is the Import Wizard?

Import Wizard is an easy-to-use multi-step wizard for importing new Accounts, Contacts, Leads,

*Custom Objects or Solutions. This is available only for System Administrators.
Import Wizard can be used on Account, Contact, Lead, Custom Objects or Solutions updates based on matching ID*

*Contact and Leads may be updated based on matching email address
Custom Objects or Solutions may be updated based on Custom Object names, Solutions titles, Salesforce ID or external ID*

111. What is the input for Import Wizard?

We need to provide CSV file as a input to Import Wizard.

112. Explain Force.com Data Loader?

*Force.com Data Loader is an application for the bulk import or export of data.
Data Loader is an easy-to-use wizard interface supports large files with up to millions of rows
Data Loader support for all objects, including custom objects
Use it to insert, update, delete, or extract, or upsert Salesforce records.
Force.com Data Loader can move data into or out of any salesforce.com object.*

113. When to use Data Loader?

*You need to load 50,000 or more records.
You need to load into an object that is not yet supported by web-based importing.
You want to schedule regular data loads, such as nightly imports.
You want to be able to save multiple mapping files for later use.
You want to export your data for backup purposes.*

114. When to use web-based importing?

*You are loading fewer than 50,000 records.
The object you need to import is supported by the web-based import wizards.
You want to prevent duplicates by uploading records according to account name and site, contact email address, or lead email address.*

115. What is the Recycle Bin?

*Recycle bin is a special folder provided by Salesforce.com, houses deleted data for approximately 30 days
Data can be recovered during this time period. Data stored in recycle bin is not counted against*

storage limit

If your organization reaches its Recycle Bin limit, Salesforce automatically removes the oldest records if they have been in the Recycle Bin for at least two hours.

116. What are Trend Reports?

Trend reports are reports built on the data specified over a period.

117. What are Charts?

Charts are graphical representation of data of a single Summary or Matrix Report

Charts Types: Horizontal Bar, Vertical Bar, Line and Pie

118. What are Custom Report Types?

Custom report types allow you to build a framework in the report wizard from which users can create and customize reports.

You build custom report types off of the relationships (master-detail and lookup) between objects so that you can:

- Choose which standard and custom objects to display to users creating and customizing reports*
- Define the relationships between objects displayed to users creating and customizing reports*
- Select which objects' fields can be used as columns in reports*

Define custom report types to display results from an object with or without its related objects

- See which cases were closed with solutions, and which were not.*

119. What is Conditional Highlighting?

*Conditional highlighting is used to highlight the summary and matrix reports summary rows
We can use up to 3 conditions maximum per report to highlight.*

120. What are Dashboards?

Dashboards are Visual representations of key business information and show information from multiple reports.

Dashboard can have up to 20 components

Matrix and Summary reports can be used as source reports for dashboards

Running User determines the level of access to the Dashboard Data

Dashboard refresh can be Scheduled

We can email a Dashboard

121. Explain different Dashboard Components?

Chart: Graphical representation of report results

Table: A listing of the top or bottom records from a report

Metric: A single data value – drawn from the Grand Total of a report

Gauge: A single data value – displayed as a point on a defined spectrum – drawn from the Grand Total of a report

122. What is a Campaign?

Campaign is Specific marketing program or marketing tactic, Builds awareness and generates leads

123. What is a Campaign Member?

Campaign members are Lead or contact, who is associated to the Campaign

Also, Individual who has responded to Campaign

124. Who has access to Campaigns?

- Any user in your organization can view campaigns, view the advanced campaign setup, or run campaign reports.
- However, only designated Marketing Users with the appropriate user permissions can create, edit, and delete campaigns and configure advanced campaign setup.
- An administrator must select the Marketing User checkbox on a user's personal information to designate that user as a Marketing User.
- In addition, Marketing Users can import leads and use the campaign import wizards if they also have the Marketing User profile (or the "Import Leads" permission and "Edit" on campaigns).
- Campaigns are included with Enterprise, Unlimited, and Developer Editions, and available for an additional cost with Professional Edition.

125. What is Workflow?

Workflow is a Force.com business logic engine that allows us to automatically send emails, update fields and assign tasks based on the rule that we define

126. What all the functions can be performed using Workflows?

Salesforce Workflow gives you the ability to automatically:

- Create and send email alerts
- Create and assign tasks

- Update field values to either specific values, or based on formulas
- Create and send outbound API messages
- Create and execute time-dependent actions

127. What is a Workflow Rule?

Workflow rules are set of instructions specify the criteria for when the workflow should be activated

128. What are different workflow evaluation criteria's and explain them?

Below are the workflow evaluation criteria's

- When the record is created
- When the record is created and every time it's edited
- When the record is created and any time it's edited to subsequently meet the criteria

129. What is a Workflow Task?

Workflow Tasks assign a task to a User (Only Users) according to a particular template

130. What is a Workflow Email Alert?

Workflow Email Alerts are actions that send an Email according to a specified Email template. Workflow alerts can be sent to any User or Contact, as long as they have valid Email Address

131. What is a Workflow Field Update?

Workflow field updates are actions that update a particular field on the record that initially triggered the workflow rule

132. What are workflow actions?

Workflow actions are actions performed when a workflow rule is triggered. For example, Field updates, Alerts, Tasks and Outbound Messages

133. Can we define a single workflow rule on multiple objects?

No, Every workflow must be based on a single Object

134. What is Time-Dependent Workflow?

Time dependent workflow actions are actions that occur before or after a certain amount of time

elapsed.

Time dependent workflow actions can be used to fire tasks, field updates and Email alerts. We must specify time trigger for Time dependent workflows, this trigger define when Time dependent workflow should fire.

135. What are different workflow evaluation criteria's and explain them?

Below are the workflow evaluation criteria's

- *When the record is created*
 - *When the record is created and every time it's edited*
 - *When the record is created and any time it's edited to subsequently meet the criteria*
- 136. What are workflow outbound messages?*

Workflow Outbound Messages is an action that sends data to an external web service

137. What are Queues?

Queues are collection of records that don't have an Owner.

138. How can we define Queues?

Queues can be created by going to Queues in Manage Users, Enter Queue Email and by selecting Send Email to Members and select an Object under Supported Object section

139. Time-Dependent Workflow – Considerations

Maximum of 10 time triggers per rule

Maximum of 40 actions (10 x 4 types) per time trigger, and 80 actions per workflow rule

Workflow default user must be set up before creating time-based rules

Precision limited to hours or days

Cannot convert leads with time-dependent actions in the Workflow Queue

Time triggers cannot be added to or removed from activated workflow rules

Not possible to create a time-dependent action associated to a rule with a trigger type of Every time the record is created or updated

140. When the Add Time Trigger button is unavailable?

The evaluation criteria are set to Evaluate the rule when a record is: created, and every time it's edited.

The rule is activated.

The rule is deactivated but has pending actions in the workflow queue.

141. Time-Dependent Workflow Limitations:

Time triggers don't support minutes or seconds.

Time triggers can't reference the following:

- *DATE or DATETIME fields containing automatically derived functions, such as TODAY or NOW.*
- *Formula fields that include related-object merge fields.*

You can't add or remove time triggers if:

- *The workflow rule is active.*
- *The workflow rule is deactivated but has pending actions in the queue.*
- *The workflow rule evaluation criteria are set to Evaluate the rule when a record is: created, and every time it's edited.*
- *The workflow rule is included in a package*

142. What is Approval Processing?

Approval process is a force.com business logic engine that allows you to specify a sequence of steps that are required to approve a new record. Each step allows one or more designated approvers to accept or reject the record.

143. Approval Terminology

- *Approval Request: An approval request is an email notifying the recipient that a record was submitted for approval and his or her approval is requested.*
- *Approval Steps: Approval steps assign approval requests to various users and define the chain of approval for a particular approval process.*
 - *Each approval step specifies the attributes a record must have to advance to that approval step, the user who can approve requests for those records, and whether to allow the delegate of the approver to approve the requests.*
 - *The first approval step in a process also specifies the action to take if a record does not advance to that step.*
 - *Subsequent steps in the process also allow you to specify what happens if an approver rejects the request.*
- *Assigned Approver: The assigned approver is the user responsible for approving an approval request.*
- *Initial Submission Actions: are the actions that occur when a user first submits a record for approval.*
 - *For example, an initial submission action can lock the record so that no users can edit it during the approval process.*
 - *Initial submission actions can also include any approval actions such as assigning a task, sending an email, or updating a field.*
- *Final Approval Actions: are the actions that occur when all approval requests for a record are*

approved.

- *Final approval actions can include any approval actions such as email alerts, field updates, tasks, or outbound messages.*
- *For example, a final approval action can change the status to "Approved" and send a notification email.*
- *Final Rejection Actions: are the actions that occur when all approval requests for a record are rejected.*
- *Final rejection actions can include any approval actions such as email alerts, field updates, tasks, or outbound messages.*
- *For example, a final rejection action can change the status to "Rejected", send a notification email, and unlock the record so that users can edit it before resubmitting.*
- *Record Locking: is the process of preventing users from editing a record regardless of field-level security or sharing settings.*
- *Records that are pending approval are automatically locked by Salesforce.*
- *Users must have the "Modify All Data" permission to edit locked records.*
- *The Initial Submission Actions, Final Approval Actions, and Final Rejection Actions related lists contain a record lock action that you can edit if necessary*
- *Outbound Messages: send the information you specify to an endpoint you designate.*
- *You can set up workflow rules and approval processes to send outbound messages to an endpoint as a means of getting information to an external service.*

144. Approval Process Checklist

Use the following checklist to plan your approval process:

- *Prepare an Approval Request Email*
- *Determine the Approval Request Sender*
- *Determine the Assigned Approver*
- *Determine the Delegated Approver*
- *Decide if your approval process needs a filter*
- *Decide initial submission actions*
- *Decide if users can approve requests from a wireless device*
- *Determine if users can edit records that are awaiting approval*
- *Decide if records should be auto-approved or rejected*
- *Determine how many levels your process has*
- *Determine the actions when an approval request is approved or rejected.*

145. What is Standard and Custom Fields in Salesforce?

Standard Fields

Standard Fields are pre-defined in Salesforce and you cannot delete standard fields but you can remove non-required standard fields from a page layout

Standard Field customizations include the ability to change standard field labels and tabs

- You can change the display labels of standard tabs, objects, fields, and other related user interface labels so they better reflect your organization's business requirements.
- Renamed labels – for example, "Accounts" changed to "Companies" – display on all user pages, in Outlook Edition, and in Offline Edition.
- It's important to note that all pages in the Setup area use the default, original labels.
- Reports and views are not renamed based on the new label value

Custom Fields

Capture information unique to your business process by creating custom fields with custom field help for each of the tabs that your organization uses

Recycle Bin for Deleted Custom Fields

Custom fields are deleted permanently after 45 days

146. Is it possible to change the existing data types of custom fields, if Yes please explain?

Yes. It's possible but changing the data type of an existing custom field can cause data loss in the following situations:

- *Changing to or from type Date or Date/Time*
- *Changing to Number from any other type*
- *Changing to Percent from any other type*
- *Changing to Currency from any other type*
- *Changing from Checkbox to any other type*
- *Changing from Picklist (Multi-Select) to any other type*
- *Changing to Picklist (Multi-Select) from any type except Picklist*
- *Changing from Auto Number to any other type*
- *Changing to Auto Number from any type except Text*
- *Changing from Text Area (Long) to any type except Email, Phone, Text, Text Area, or URL*

147. What is a dependent picklist?

Dependent fields can help make your data more accurate and consistent by applying filters.

A dependent field works in conjunction with a controlling field to filter its values. The value chosen in the controlling field affects the values available in the dependent field.

300 is the maximum number of values allowed in a controlling picklist

A custom multi-select picklist cannot be the controlling field for a dependent field

Field Type Controlling Field Dependent Field

Standard Picklist Yes No

Custom Picklist Yes Yes

Custom Multi-Select No Yes

Standard Checkbox Yes No

Custom Checkbox Yes No

148. What is a Business Process?

Business process allows you to track separate sales, support, and lead lifecycles across different divisions, groups, or markets.

Available Business Processes:

Sales Processes – Create different sales processes that include some or all of the picklist values available for the Opportunity Stage field

Support Processes – Create different support processes that include some or all of the picklist values available for the Case Status field

Lead Processes – Create different lead processes that include some or all of the picklist values available for the Lead Status field

Solution Processes – Create different solution processes that include some or all of the picklist values available for the Solution Status field

149. What is Web-to-Lead and Web-to-Case? (More explanation needed)

A lead or case record created through Web-to-Lead or Web-to-Case will set the record type to that of the default lead owner or automated case user (optional)

150. On which tabs can I create multiple record types?

Multiple record types may be created for every tab, with the exception of the Home, Forecasts, Documents, and Reports tabs.

151. What happens if I try to add new picklist value?

You will be prompted to select which record types should include the new value

152. Why use Field-Level Security?

*Use Field-Level Security (rather than creating multiple page layouts) to enforce data security
Users view data relevant to their job function Troubleshooting Tools Field accessibility views
Setup | Administration Setup | Security Controls | Field Accessibility*

Notes:

- *Field Level Security is not available in PE*
 - *Field-level security cannot be used to make a field required. This is done from the Page Layout*
 - *Field access settings can be defined using both field-level security and page layouts. However, the most restrictive field access setting of the two will always apply.*
- For example, if a field is required on the page layout, but read-only in the field-level security settings, the field will be read-only.*
- *Hiding a field from a user using FLS also hides that field from list views, search results, and reports.*

153. What are Login Hours and Login IP Ranges?

Login hour sets the hours when users with a particular profile can use the system

Login IP Ranges sets the IP addresses from which users with a particular profile can log in

Notes:

- *You can customize profiles to restrict users' ability to log in to Salesforce.*
- *You can set the hours when users can log in and the IP addresses from which they can log in. If a user logs in before the restricted hours, the system will end the user's session when the restricted hours begin.*

Two Options for Restricting Access via IP Ranges

Option 1: Add Trusted IP Ranges for your entire org

Option 2: Add Trusted IP Ranges on a Profile by Profile basis

154. What is a User Record?

User record possesses key information about a user and each has its own unique username.

Other properties of User records are below

- *User logs in with username and password*
- *Users can be active or inactive; an active user uses a license*
- *Users are associated with a Profile*
- *Users are usually associated with a Role*

155. What is a Record Owner?

Record owner is he user (or queue for Cases and Leads) who controls or has rights to that particular data record.

An Owner has the following special privileges with the below assumptions:

- *View and edit capabilities*
- *Transfer capability – change ownership*
- *Deletion capabilities*

Important assumption:

Object permissions enabled

The Account Owner, Opportunity Owners and Case Owners may or may not be the same user.

156. What are Organization Wide Defaults?

OWD Defines the baseline level of access to data records for all users in the Organization (not including records owned by the user or inherited via role hierarchy) Used to restrict access to data Access levels to

Private

Public Read/Write

Public Read/Write/Transfer

Public Full Access

Public Read Only

157. What is a Role and Role Hierarchy?

Role:

Controls the level of visibility that users have to an organization's data

An user may be associated to one role

Role Hierarchy:

Controls data visibility

Controls record roll up – forecasting and reporting

Users inherit the special privileges of data owned by or shared with users below them in the hierarchy

Not necessarily the company's organization chart

Notes:

- If using Customizable Forecasting, there is a separate forecast role hierarchy.
- EE can create Account, Contact, Opportunity and Case Sharing Rules. PE can ONLY create Account and Contact Sharing Rules.
- Assuming no sharing rules have been created, users in the same role cannot access one another's records.

Example: Org Wide Default settings for opportunities are private. Creating a role and adding two users to that role does not allow those users access to one another's opportunities.

"Grant Access Using Hierarchies" allows you to disable the default sharing access granted by your role and territory hierarchies. This option can be changed for custom objects that do not have their organization-wide default sharing setting set to Controlled by Parent.

158. What is Access at the Role Level?

Access is defined when creating a role

Level of access to Opportunities associated to Accounts owned by the role

Level of access to Contacts associated to Accounts owned by the Role

Level of access to Cases associated to Accounts owned by the role

Level of access options depend on OWD

Notes:

- You can create up to 500 roles for your organization
- Every user must be assigned to a role, or their data will not display in opportunity reports, forecast roll-ups, and other displays based on roles
- All users that require visibility to the entire organization should belong to the highest level in the hierarchy
- It is not necessary to create individual roles for each title at your company, rather you want to define a hierarchy of roles to control access of information entered by users in lower level roles
- When you change a user's role, any relevant sharing rules are evaluated to add or remove access as necessary

159. What is a Sharing Rule?

Sharing rules are automated rules that grant access to groups of users

These are exceptions to Organization Wide Defaults

Irrelevant for Public Read/Write organizations

Levels of Access that can be granted are

- Read Only
- Read/Write

Notes:

- Sharing rules should be used when a user or group of users needs access to records not granted them by either the role hierarchy setup or the organization wide default settings.
- Sharing rules open up access whereas organization wide defaults restrict access.
- You can use sharing rules to grant wider access to data. You cannot restrict access below your organization-wide default levels.
- Sharing rules apply to all new and existing records owned by the specified role or group members.
- Sharing rules apply to both active and inactive users.
- When you change the access levels for a sharing rule, all existing records are automatically updated to reflect the new access levels.
- When you delete a sharing rule, the sharing access created by that rule is automatically removed.
- When you transfer records from one user to another, the sharing rules are reevaluated to add or remove access to the transferred records as necessary.
- When you modify which users are in a group or role, the sharing rules are reevaluated to add or remove access as necessary.

- For contact, opportunity and case sharing rules, if the role or group members do not have access to the account associated with the shared contact, opportunity or case the rule automatically gives them access to view the account as well.
- Managers in the role hierarchy are automatically granted the same access that users below them in the hierarchy have from a sharing rule.
- You can edit the access levels for any sharing rule. You cannot change the specified groups or roles for the rule.

160. What are the types of Sharing Rules in Salesforce and explain them?

Sharing rules present in salesforce are as below.

Account Sharing Rules:

- Based on who owns the account
- Set default sharing access for accounts and their associated cases, contacts, contracts, and opportunities

Contact Sharing Rules:

- Based on who owns the contact (must be associated with an account)
- Set default sharing access for individual contacts and their associated accounts
- Cannot use with: Territory Management and B2I (Person Account) enabled orgs

Opportunity Sharing Rules (EE/UE):

- Based on who owns the opportunity
- Set default sharing access for individual opportunities and their associated accounts

Case Sharing Rules (EE/UE):

- Based on who owns the case
- Set default sharing access for individual cases and associated accounts

Lead Sharing Rules (EE/UE):

- Based on who owns the lead
- Set default sharing access for individual leads

Custom Object Sharing Rules (EE/UE):

- Based on who owns the custom object
- Set default sharing access for individual custom object records

161. Best Practices of Creating Contact Sharing Rules?

- Account Org-Wide Default must be set to at least "Public Read Only" in order to set the Contact Org-Wide Default to "Public Read/Write".
- To share ALL contacts in the system with a group of users or a specific role, create a sharing rule that uses the "All Internal Users" (or "Entire Organization") public group as the owned by option.

- Use "Roles and Subordinates" over "Roles" where possible to minimize the number of sharing rules.

162. What is a Public Group?

Public group is a grouping of:

- Users
- Public Groups (nesting)
- Roles
- Roles and Subordinates
- Mixture of any of these elements

Used in Sharing Rules – for simplification (when more than a few roles need to be shared to)

Also used when defining access to Folders and List Views

For example, if a new user is assigned a role that belongs to an existing public group, that user will be automatically added to the public group

163. What is Manual Sharing?

Manual sharing is granting record access, one-off basis

Owner, anyone above owner in role hierarchy and administrator can manually share records

Available on Contacts, Leads, Cases, Accounts and Opportunity records and Custom Objects

Like sharing rules, irrelevant for Public Read/Write organizations

164. What are Folders in salesforce?

Folders are used for organizing email templates, documents, reports and dashboards

Access is defined – Read or Read/Write

Access is explicit – does NOT roll up through role hierarchy

Notes:

You can modify the contents of a folder if the folder access level is set to Read/Write.

Only users with the "Manage Public Documents" or "Manage Public Templates" can delete or change a Read Only folder.

The Documents tab does NOT contain version control capabilities

To search documents, users must use Documents search. The sidebar search does NOT search Documents, Solutions, Products, and Reports but does search Assets and Custom Objects

The Create New Folder link will only be visible to users with the "Manage Public Documents" permission

The size limit for documents uploaded is 5MB. The size limit for document filenames is 255 characters including the file extension

165. What are the difference between Sandbox and Developer Editions?

Sandbox Developer Edition

The salesforce.com Sandbox environment is an exact copy of your salesforce.com instance. Developer Edition was an edition created for development of integrations and apps, specifically for the AppExchange.

You can copy your live instance to a sandbox environment. You have to perform manually from sandbox to developer edition.

You can either copy your configuration and data into a sandbox environment or just the configuration. You cannot copy your configuration or data onto the Developer Edition, but you can customize it to match your instance's look and feel.

166. How to restrict the user to see any record let's say CASES?

Set up cases sharing to be private. If both users are admins or have view all records on cases, then that overrides private sharing.

167. What is External ID?

External ID is a field or flag on any custom field of type Text, Number or Email

External ID is Case INSENSITIVE

External ID are restricted to Three ID fields per object

External ID can be Custom fields only.

168. What are Relative Dates?

Related dates are dates used in Views and Reports for filtering.

These are dynamic date range, based on current date

Examples: This Week, Next Month, Last 90 Days

Available Relative Date Filters (not case sensitive)

- *Today*
- *Yesterday*
- *Tomorrow*
- *This Week*
- *Last Week*
- *Next Week*
- *This Month*
- *Last Month*
- *Next Month*
- *Last x Days*

- Next x Days
- Quarter
- Year
- Fiscal Quarter
- Fiscal Year

169. How is Role Different from the Profile?

Roles and Profiles are two different concepts in Salesforce.com, Some of the basic differences are:

- *Profile helps to put restrictions on the Object where as the Role helps in opening the records to the users above the Role hierarchy*
- *Profile manages the Salesforce.com License, Tabs Settings, Record types, Page layouts, General Settings, Administrator Settings etc; Role hierarchy does not do any of these things*
- *Profile is Mandatory, Role is not*

170. What are the different ways of making a field mandatory?

In salesforce we can make fields mandatory by 3 ways

1. *Page Layout: - Field can be made mandatory from the page layout when it needs to be made mandatory for a set of users*
 2. *Field Level Security: - Field can be made mandatory from the FLS when it needs to be made mandatory for all the users in the Organization and even from the API's*
 3. *Validation Rule: - Field can be made mandatory from the Validation Rule when it needs to be made mandatory for user who is using the same Page layout used by other users*
- Salesforce.com recommends using the Page Layout option for making the field mandatory.*

171. What are the Different Ways in which leads can be created in salesforce.com?

Some of the ways in which leads can be generated and created in salesforce.com are

- *Walk In to a company: User comes to the company office and then Salesforce.com rep manually creates the Lead*
- *Data Base bought by the company and then leads loaded via Data Loader/Import Wizard in salesforce.com*
- *Leads created because of the Campaigns, Seminars, and Tradeshows*
- *Web to Lead: Users registering on the website of the company.*
- *Email to Lead & SMS to Lead can be custom build for the Organization*

172. Can a Contact be part of Partner Portal as well as Customer Portal in salesforce.com?

Yes, a contact can be part of a Partner Portal as well as Customer portal in salesforce.com. Customer Portal and Partner portal depend on the user object and are not related to the contact object.

*So to enable both portals for a Contact we need to create two users which will utilize two different salesforce.com licenses, one license for Customer portal and other for Partner portal.
Both users created for a same contact will have two different profiles, One for Customer portal and other for Partner Portal.*

173. When are the Record types used?

Record Types are used in the following two cases

- To assign the different Page layouts to different users based on their profiles*
- To enable different sets of Standard/Custom Picklist values for two different users using the same page layout*

174. What are Profile Components?

Profiles Components:

- Which standard and custom apps users can view*
- Which tabs users can view*
- Which record types are available to users*
- Which page layouts users see*
- Object permissions that allow users to create, read, edit, and delete records*
- Which fields within objects users can view and edit*
- Permissions that allow users to manage the system and apps within it*
- Which Apex classes and Visualforce pages users can access*
- Which desktop clients users can access*
- The hours during which and IP addresses from which users can log in*
- Which service providers users can access (if Salesforce is enabled as an identity provider)*

175. Explain Profile Vs Permission Sets Permissions and Access Settings?

The following table shows the types of permissions and access settings that are specified in profiles and permission sets. Some profile settings aren't included in permission sets.

Permission or Setting Type In Profiles? In Permission Sets?

Assigned apps TRUE TRUE

Tab settings TRUE TRUE

Record type assignments TRUE

Page layout assignments TRUE

Object permissions TRUE TRUE

Field permissions TRUE TRUE

User permissions (app and system) TRUE TRUE

Apex class access TRUE TRUE

Visualforce page access TRUE TRUE

Service provider access (if Salesforce is enabled as an identity provider) TRUE TRUE
Desktop client access TRUE
Login hours TRUE
Login IP ranges TRUE

176. What are the Standard Profiles available in Salesforce?

There are Six (6) Standard Profiles available in salesforce (EE/UE and PE)

- *Standard User – Can view, edit, and delete their own records*
- *Solution Manager – Standard User permissions + Can manage published solutions + Can manage categories*
- *Marketing User – Standard User permissions + Can import leads for the organization*
- *Contract Manager – Standard User permissions + Can edit, approve, activate, and delete contracts*
- *Read-Only – Can only view records*
- *System Administrator – "Super User," can customize and administer the application*

177. What are Standard Business Objects?

Standard Business objects are mentioned below.

Object Description

Campaigns A Campaign is any marketing project that you want to plan, manage, and track in Salesforce.

Leads A Lead is any person, organization or company that may be interested in your products. Sometimes Leads are referred to as Prospects or Suspects. Leads are not yet customers.

Accounts An Account is an organization, individual or company involved with your business such as customers, competitors and partners that you wish to track in Salesforce

Contacts A Contact is any individual or influencer associated with an account that you want to track in Salesforce

Opportunities An Opportunity is any potential revenue-generating event ("sales deal") that you want to

track in Salesforce

Cases A case is a detailed description of a customer's feedback, problem or question

Solutions A solution is a detailed description of a customer issue and the resolution of that issue.

The

collection of your organization's solutions is sometimes referred to as the solution knowledge base

Forecasts A forecast is your best estimate of how much revenue you can generate in a quarter

Documents

Reports Reports are summaries and analyses of your data, which you can display or print

Dashboards Dashboards give you a real-time snapshot of corporate metrics and key performance indicators. A dashboard is a group of different charts (or components) that graphically display your custom

report data

Calendar and Task Activities are both tasks and scheduled calendar events. You can define and track activities for many different objects, including campaigns, accounts, contacts, and leads
Products Products are the individual items that you sell on your opportunities. (Please note that Products are available in EE/UE and Developer and in PE for an additional fee.)

178. What is a Company Profile?

Company profile contains core information for your company.
Below are the key information includes in company profile

- Language, Locale and Time Zone
- Licenses
- Storage and Used Space
- Fiscal Year
- Primary Contact and Address information
- Manage Currencies

179. What is a Fiscal Year in Salesforce?

Financial year in salesforce is used for an organizations financial planning.
This is usually a year in length and impacts forecasts, quotas and reports

Salesforce allows two types:

- Standard Fiscal Years are periods that follow the Gregorian calendar, but can start on the first day of any month of the year. (A Gregorian Year is a calendar based on a 12 Month Structure and is used throughout much of the world.)
- Custom Fiscal Years are for companies that break down their fiscal years, quarters and weeks in to custom fiscal periods based on their financial planning requirements.

180. Can we use Custom financial year in forecasting?

We can NOT use Custom financial year in forecasting. But Customizable Forecasting must be enabled for use with Custom Fiscal Years

181. How can you determine that email is actually sent or not from the salesforce?

There is an Email log that you could use. It's available in the setup menu under Monitoring.
It's only for the past 30 days and you would have to manually check it.

From the email log page: "Email logs describe all emails sent through salesforce.com and can be used to help identify the status of an email delivery. Email logs are CSV files that provide

information such as the email address of each email sender and its recipient, the date and time each email was sent, and any error code associated with each email. Logs are only available for the past 30 days."

182. In salesforce which fields are indexed automatically?

The following fields are indexed by default:

- *primary keys (Id, Name and Owner fields),*
- *foreign keys (lookup or master-detail relationship fields),*
- *audit dates (such as LastModifiedDate),*
- *Custom fields marked as External ID or Unique*

183. Give any scenario when you cannot change the currency field type to numeric type.

When the field is used either in Apex class or trigger

184. Consider a scenario where you have created a Visualforce page and Controller. You want to restrict the controller action for users which are logged in using "Grant Login Access". How to achieve this?

When System admin logged in on the behalf of any other user, On upper right corner message is displayed that user is logged-in on behalf of some other user. In Visualforce page we can search for the element with class name present or not? If the element with that Class name exist means logged-in user is not an actual user.

185. How to get the debug log of Connection user in salesforce to salesforce Integration?

When configuring Debug Logs, you cannot choose a Salesforce to Salesforce Connection User from the User Lookup, but there is a workaround to achieve this.

*To begin capturing Debug Logs for a Connection User open the following URL in your browser:
https://XXX.salesforce.com/p/setup/layout/AddApexDebugLogUser?retURL=%2Fsetup%2Fui%2FlistApexTraces.apexp&UserLookupInput_1kid=YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY&UserLookupInput=Connection%20User*

Replace XXX with your salesforce instance, UserLookupInput_1kid is the ID of the Connection User and UserLookupInput is the User name. You can find the user ID of the connection user, by inspecting the CreatedByld for a record created by this user. (eg. via eclipse or Force.com explorer)

186. We have a "Time Based Workflow" and there is Action scheduled to be executed. If we Deactivate the workflow, Scheduled actions will be removed from queue or not?

Even after deactivation of workflow, its action will be active in queue.

187. We have "Time Based Workflow" and there is action scheduled to be executed. Can we delete that workflow?

If a workflow has any pending time dependent action, then we cannot delete the workflow.

188. How to clear the Time based workflow action queue?

Two ways to achieve this:

1. Make criteria false for all those records.
2. Navigate to "Set up / Monitoring / Time Based Workflow", search for scheduled actions and remove from queue.

189. While creating workflow on Task, what difference observed on available actions?

"Send Email" action is not available while creating workflow on task.

190. When loading data into date fields such as Opportunity Close Date using the Data Loader, the date displayed in the application is sometimes one day earlier than the date in the file. What may be the reason and solution?

The reason for this is that fields such as Close Date are actually date/time fields. When a date is loaded without specifying the time, the time is defaulted to 00:00 – midnight. When another user is in a time zone which is behind the current user's time zone, the date will show on the previous day. For example:

20 August 2008 00:00 in Paris is 19 August 2008 23:00 in London

Similar issues can arise when daylight savings time begins or ends.

Two simple solutions to this are:

- 1) Specify a time as well as a date when loading dates using the Data Loader. Or
- 2) Switch your PC's time zone to Hawaiian time before starting up the Data Loader.

191. Explain dynamic Dashboard.

Dashboard which is running under current logged in user permission is known as "dynamic Dashboard". At the most 3 dynamic dashboards can be built. This is available in Unlimited, Enterprise and Developer edition. This type of dashboard cannot be scheduled for refresh. It must be scheduled manually.

192. What is analytic Snapshot in salesforce?

Analytic snapshot capture and store the data at pre decided intervals. It captures data from report and saves in custom object as per schedule. It only supports tabular and summary report as source report. It does not support matrix report. The field type in target object must be same as source report object field.

193. What are the features of "Manage Members" in campaign records?

Campaign members are created from lead, contact, or person account records. Salesforce provides a variety of ways in which you can manage your campaign members. You can add and update up to 50,000 campaign members at a time through lead, contact, and person account reports; you can search for and add or edit multiple leads and contacts from the Manage Members page; you can add an unlimited number of leads and contacts using a CSV import file; or you can add members to a campaign one at a time from contact or lead detail pages.

194. If I want Object level accesses then what should i use from Salesforce security model?

Profile

195. In OWD (Organization wide sharing), can I change the setting "Grant Access Using Hierarchies" for Standard Objects?

You cannot change it for Standard Objects However for Custom Objects it's possible.

196. What is Mandatory while creating User, Role or Profile?

It's Profile.

197. In case of Master-Detail relationship, on Update of master record can we update the field of child record using workflow rule?

No

198. In case of Master-Detail relationship, on Update of child record can we update the field of Parent record using workflow rule?

Yes, Master Fields are also available for "Criteria evaluation".

199. While setting OWD (Organization wide sharing), can we change/modify the setting of child record in case of Master-Detail relationship?

No, Child record is controlled by the Parents setting.

200. How to hide the "App Setup" Menu from user's setup page?

In Profile, remove access "View Setup and Configuration".

201. While creating new profile for user, which existing profile should be copied?

If the new user is not System administrator then copy from "Standard User" profile.

202. Who can run reports?

Users with permission "Run Report" and access to report folder can only run the report.

203. What is Difference between "Printable View" and "Export Details"button on report?

Printable View:

Formatting, grouping and subtotals are persisted.

Export Details:

Formatting, grouping and subtotals are lost.

204. What is the use of "floating report header"?

If you have long tabular report, you can make the column header visible on each page as you scroll, by enabling floating report headers.

205. How to enable "floating report header"?

Go to "Setup / App Setup / Customize / Report and Dashboard / User Interface Settings". Click on checkbox "Enable Floating Report Headers".

206. Which permission is required to set the running user other than you in dashboard?

"View All Data" in profile.

207. Who can access "drag and drop dashboard"?

User with permission "manage dashboard".

208. Which type of report can be used for dashboard components?

Summary and matrix report.

209. How many types of dashboard components are available?

Chart, Table, Metric, Gauge, and Visualforce

210. What is the difference between External ID and Unique ID?

External ID

This is a field that usually references an ID from another (external) system. For instance, if the customer has an Oracle Financials system that they will be linking with salesforce.com, it may be easier for them to be able to refer to the Oracle ID of account records from within salesforce. So they would create an external ID in salesforce.com and they would load the Oracle ID into that field for each account. They can then refer to that ID field, rather than the salesforce.com id.

Additionally, if you have an external ID field, the field becomes searchable in the sidebar search. You also can use the upsert API call with the extenal ID to refer to records.

You can have multiple records with the same external ID (though it is not recommended, as it will defeat the purpose of the external id).

External Id available for Text, Number and Email field types

External Id is used in upsert operations.

- If external id is absent or not matched then insert happens.*
- If external id matched once then record will be updated.*
- If external id is matched multiple times then error occurs.*

Unique ID field

This is a setting for the field that will prevent you from using the same value in multiple records for the unique field. So if I create a 5 character text field and make it unique, and I create a record with the value "12345" it will not be able to create another record with that same value in the unique field. If I try to do so, I will get an error saying that the value is already in use.

Often, External Ids are set with the unique property so that the IDs will be unique to each record.

211. In Profile settings, what is difference between "Modify All Data" and "Modify All"?

Modify All Data: Create, edit, and delete all organization data, regardless of sharing settings.

Modify All: Give Read, Add, Delete permission to selected Object, Create permission is not included in Modify All permission.

212. Explain Permission sets?

A permission set is a collection of settings and permissions that give users access to various tools

and functions. The settings and permissions in permission sets are also found in profiles, but permission sets extend users' functional access without changing their profiles.

For example, to give users access to a custom object, create a permission set, enable the required permissions for the object, and assign the permission set to the users. You never have to change profiles, or create a profile for a single use case. While users can have only one profile, they can have multiple permission sets.

Permission sets include settings for:

- *Assigned apps*
- *Object settings, which include:*
 - *Tab settings*
 - *Object permissions*
 - *Field permissions*
 - *App permissions*
 - *Apex class access*
 - *Visualforce page access*
 - *System permissions*
- *Service providers (only if you've enabled Salesforce as an identity provider)*

213. What is Master Detail relationship and look up relationship in Salesforce?

Master Detail relationship is the Parent child relationship. In which Master represents Parent and detail represents Child. If Parent is deleted then Child also gets deleted. Rollup summary fields can only be created on Master records which will calculate the SUM, COUNT, MIN, MAX of the Child records.

Look up relationship is something like "has-a" (Containership) relationship, where one record has reference to other records. When one record is deleted then there is no impact on other records.

214. Can we convert the lookup relationship to Master Detail relationship?

We can convert the lookup relationship to master detail relationship if and only if all the existing record has valid lookup field.

215. How to delete the User from Salesforce?

As per now, salesforce does not allow deleting any user; however you can deactivate the user.

216. How to delete Users data from Salesforce?

To delete the Users Data go to Setup / Administration Setup / Data Management / Mass Delete Record, from there select the objects like Account, Lead etc and in criteria select the users name

and delete all records of that user related to particular object.

217. How to restrict the user to see any record let's say opportunity?

Set up opportunity sharing to be private. If both users are admins or have view all records on opportunity, then that overrides private sharing.

218. What is difference between Whold and WhatID in the Data Model of Task ?

Whold refers to people things. So that would be typically a Lead ID or a Contact ID

WhatID refers to object type things. That would typically be an Account ID or an Opportunity ID

219. Where is the option of the report for the "Custom Object with related object" and what are the conditions to generate related reports?

If the parent object is the standard object provided by the salesforce like "Account", "Contact" then the report will be in there section with related custom object.

If both objects are the custom then the report will be in "Other Reports" Sections.

Following are the conditions to get the report of related objects:

- On both the objects, Reports option must be enabled*
- The relationship between both of them must be "Master – detail relationship".*

220. How you can provide the User Login (Authentication) in Public sites created by Salesforce?

We can provide the authentication on public sites using "Customer Portal".

221. What is the dynamic Apex?

Dynamic Apex enables developers to create more flexible applications by providing them with the ability to "Access sObject and field describe information", "Write Dynamic SOQL Queries", "Write Dynamic SOSL Queries" and "Dynamic DML".

222. Is it possible to write the Apex code from user Interface?

You can add, edit, or delete Apex using the Salesforce.com user interface only in a Developer Edition organization, a Salesforce.com Enterprise Edition trial organization, or sandbox organization. In a Salesforce.com production organization, you can only make changes to Apex by using the Metadata API, deploy, call, the Force.com IDE, or theForce.com Migration Tool. The Force.com IDE and Force.com Migration Tool are free resources provided by salesforce.com to support its users and partners, but are not considered part of our Services for purposes of the salesforce.com Master Subscription Agreement.

223. When you can't add Time dependent action in Workflow rule?

You can't add time-dependent actions to a rule if you choose Every time a record is created or edited.

- **224. What are the types of email templates available in salesforce.com?**
 1. *Text*
 2. *HTML with Letter Head*
 3. *Custom HTML*
 4. *Visual force*

You can create four different types of email templates:

 - 1) *Text – All users can create or change text email templates.*
 - 2) *HTML with letterhead – Administrators and users with the "Edit HTML Templates" permission can create HTML email templates based on a letterhead.*
 - 3) *Custom HTML – Administrators and users with the "Edit HTML Templates" permission can create custom HTML email templates without using a letterhead. You must either know HTML or obtain the HTML code to insert in your email template.*
 - 4) *Visualforce – Administrators and developers can create templates using Visualforce. Visualforce email templates allow for advanced merging with a recipient's data, where the content of a template can contain information from multiple records.*

225. What is Roll up summary field in Salesforce?

Roll up summary field in salesforce calculates the Count, Sum, Min or Max of particular field of `any child record.

226. Can we create Roll up summary fields on child object of a Master-Detail relationship?

No, Roll up summary fields can only be created on the master object of the Master-Detail relationship

227. What will happen if the Account is deleted?

If the Account is deleted then, Contact, Opportunity will also be deleted from Salesforce which are related to that Account.

228. How many types of the relationship fields available in Salesforce?

There are Four types of the Relationship fields available in Salesforce

1. *Master Detail*
2. *Many to Many*
3. *Lookup*
4. *Hierarchical (It is available only on User Object, we cannot create this relationship)*

229. What are Apex Governor Limits?

Governor limits are runtime limits enforced by the Apex runtime engine. Because Apex runs in a shared, multitenant environment, the Apex runtime engine strictly enforces a number of limits to ensure that code does not monopolize shared resources. Types of limits that Apex enforces are resources like memory, database resources, number of script statements to avoid infinite loops, and number of records being processed. If code exceeds a limit, the associated governor issues a runtime exception.

230. Difference between Sandbox and Development environment?

Sandbox

The salesforce.com Sandbox environment is an exact copy of your salesforce.com instance. You can copy your live instance to a sandbox environment (but you have to perform manually from sandbox to developer edition) where you can test any changes, implementations, AppExchange apps or updates. It can also be your hands-on training environment without risking your live data.

You can either copy your configuration and data into a sandbox environment or just the configuration. It acts exactly like your live instance, but be careful if you have workflow rules or automations because they will work in the sandbox as bnnbaaaaaaGBoJ

I know that this sounds wonderful and if you don't have it, you are dying to know how to get it. The problem is the cost. If you are on Unlimited Edition, then cost is not a problem because it comes included. But for Enterprise, Professional or Group Editions, you have to pay... and the price is hefty; anywhere between 25k-50k per year. For a lot of companies, that is more than they are paying for their live salesforce.com instance. So how do you test salesforce.com without Sandbox? It is always suggested to develop application in sandbox instance then go for LIVE.

Developer Edition

Developer Edition was an edition created for development of integrations and apps, specifically for the AppExchange. It is also a great tool for testing/training in salesforce.com. What makes this a great tool is the fact that it is free. Anyone can get a Developer Edition of salesforce.com. It is a standard Enterprise Edition with very limited storage space. You cannot copy your configuration or data onto the Developer Edition, but you can customize it to match your instance's look and feel. Once it is customized, you can use it for training, testing or anything else you want. It takes a little bit of work, but you can make it act and feel just like your live instance. The work is well worth it for the free price.

231. How to schedule export or take the backup of salesforce?

Step by Step Instruction:

Click Setup >Data Management > Data Export > Schedule Export.

Select the desired encoding for your export file. Leaving the default is fine.

*Check the **Include in export** checkbox if you want to include attachments in the export (optional)*

Leave the default Replace carriage returns with spaces if you want your export files to have spaces instead of carriage returns.

Select Weekly as the frequency for the exports.

Choose start and end dates. Set the end date to sometime in the distant future such as

20 years from the begin date.

Set the time of day for your scheduled export. The export is put in a job queue and the exact time of the export will depend on the amount of activity in the queue.

You can select the types of data to include in your export. It is best to include all data in your export file. This will make sure all your organizations data is exported.

Click Save.

Points to Remember:

Formula and roll-up summary fields are never included in exports.

Articles are not included from exports.

The export notification email is sent to the email address on file for the user who created the scheduled export. There is no way to indicate another email address. If as an Administrator you want the email to go to another person, have them grant you login access, login as them and schedule the data export.

Important:

Scheduled backup exports of your data are limited to weekly exports.

You have 48 hours from the time you are notified the backup is available to download the backup file.

The email notification for backups goes to the email address in Salesforce of the person logged in who schedules the backup

232. Do governor limits apply to sandbox instances?

Governor limits do apply to all Salesforce instances (trial, developer, and production or sandbox environments). However code coverage and successful execution of test classes is only enforced when deploying to a production environment.

233. What actions can be performed using Workflows?

Following workflow actions can be performed in a workflow:

1. Email Alert:

Email alerts are workflow and approval actions that are generated using an email template by a workflow rule or approval process and sent to designated recipients, either Salesforce users or others. Workflow alerts can be sent to any user or contact, as long as they have a valid email address.

2. Field Update:

Field updates are workflow and approval actions that specify the field you want updated and the new value for it. Depending on the type of field, you can choose to apply a specific value, make the value blank, or calculate a value based on a formula you create.

3. Task:

Assigns a task to a user you specify. You can specify the Subject, Status, Priority, and Due Date of the task. Tasks are workflow and approval actions that are triggered by workflow rules or approval processes.

4. Outbound Message:

An outbound message is a workflow, approval, or milestone action that sends the information you specify to an endpoint you designate, such as an external service. An outbound message sends the data in the specified fields in the form of a SOAP message to the endpoint.

234. How to delete an apex class or trigger in salesforce.com production environment?

In salesforce.com production environment the Del option is not displayed for classes & triggers. Follow the below steps to delete file in production:

- Go to your sandbox (where you do your Trigger/Class development) and delete the Trigger/Class from there. Also delete the Test Methods that test the Class/Trigger.*
- Go to Eclipse and do a Refresh from Server. This will make the files disappear within Eclipse.*
- Then deploy to Production, ticking Delete next to the files in your Deployment Plan. (For safety, always Deselect All when deploying, then sort by Type. Only then tick which files to deploy, since choosing the wrong ones could cripple Production.)*

235. What are governor limits in Salesforce.com?

Governor limits are runtime limits enforced by the Apex runtime engine. Because Apex runs in a shared, multitenant environment, the Apex runtime engine strictly enforces a number of limits to ensure that code does not monopolize shared resources. Types of limits that Apex enforces are resources like memory, database resources, number of script statements to avoid infinite loops, and number of records being processed. If code exceeds a limit, the associated governor issues a runtime exception that cannot be handled thereby terminating the request.

For more information please refer to the link:

http://www.salesforce.com/us/developer/docs/apexcode/Content/apex_gov_limits.htm

236. Which objects can be imported by Import Wizard?

Following objects can be imported using import wizard.

- 1. Accounts*
- 2. Contacts*
- 3. Leads*
- 4. Solutions*
- 5. Custom Objects*

237. What is the difference between Role & Profile in salesforce.com?

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Profile:

Profiles are set of permissions and setting which determines the objects, the fields of the object, tabs & apps the user can access. It also determines the page layout & record type accessible to the user. Profile is a required field while user creation.

Role:

Role control the level of visibility/access to organization's data at the record level. Users at any given role can view, edit & report on data accessible to all the users below them in role hierarchy. Role is not a required field while user creation.

Example:

Let's take an example of a software company Ajanya.com. It has two profiles Developer & Tester and two roles Trainee & Manager. Let's consider that Defect is a custom object. By using Profile we can ensure that Defect can be created only by user with Tester profile and User with Developer profile can only edit the defect description.

By using Roles we can ensure that the user with Profile Developer & Role Manager can view the Defects assigned to user with profile Developer & Role Trainee.

238. What are different portals in Salesforce.com?

Partner Portal:

A partner portal allows partner users to log in to Salesforce.com through a separate website than non-partner users. Partner users can only view & edit data that has been made available to them. An organization can have multiple partner portals.

For partner portal best practices please refer link:

https://ap1.salesforce.com/help/doc/en/partner_portal_best_practices.htm

Customer Portal:

Customer Portal provides an online support channel for customers allowing them to resolve their inquiries without contacting a customer service representative. An organization can have multiple customer portals.

239. What is the use of Salesforce.com Sites?

Force.com Sites enables you to create public websites and applications that are directly integrated with your Salesforce organization without requiring users to log in with a username and password. You can publicly expose any information stored in your organization through a branded URL of your choice. Sites are hosted on Force.com servers and built on native Visualforce pages. You can use authentication to a public site using customer portal.

240. How to import attachments using Data Loader in salesforce?

Please follow the instructions below.

1. Create an AttachmentList.csv file with the following column headers:

- ParentId - ID of the record to which the attachment should be associated*
- Name - Name of the attachment*
- ContentType - Format of the extension (e.g. .xls, .pdf, etc)*
- OwnerID - ID for the owner of the attachment*
- Body - File path to the Attachment on your local machine*

(C:\Attachments\FileName.pdf)

2. Log in to the Data Loader.
3. Select the "Insert" command.
4. In the 'Select Sforce Object' step, select the 'Attachments' object. This object is not displayed by default hence check the 'Show all Sforce Objects' checkbox.
5. Choose the AttachmentList.csv file.
6. In the mapping step, map the following fields:
 - Parent ID
 - Name
 - Owner ID
 - Body - Make sure to map the Body column which you created previously with the file extension. This is how you designate the file and location of the attachments to be inserted.
7. Click "OK" to start the upload.

241. What are groups in SFDC and what is their use in salesforce?

Groups are set of users. They can contain individual users, other groups, the users in a particular role or territory, or the users in a particular role or territory plus all of the users below that role or territory in the hierarchy.

There are two types of groups:

- *Public groups: Only administrators can create public groups. They can be used by everyone in the organization.*
- *Personal groups: Each user can create groups for their personal use.*

You can use groups in the following ways:

- *To set up default sharing access via a sharing rule*
- *To share your records with other users*
- *To specify that you want to synchronize contacts owned by others users*
- *To add multiple users to a Salesforce CRM Content library*
- *To assign users to specific actions in Salesforce Knowledge*

242. What is the difference between public cloud & private cloud in salesforce? Is salesforce.com a public cloud or private cloud?

Public Cloud: Could services are provided "as a service" over the Internet with little or no control over the underlying technology infrastructure. More than one tenant can use the same resources.

Private Cloud: This also offers activities and functions "as a service" but is deployed over a company intranet or hosted datacenter. This is private product for a company or organization offering advance security.

Salesforce.com: Is a public cloud as it is hosted on salesforce.com data centers and data of more than one tenant resides on same servers.

243. What is the difference between custom controller and extension in salesforce?

Custom Controller: A custom controller is an Apex class that implements all of the logic for a page without leveraging a standard controller. Use custom controllers when you want your Visualforce page to run entirely in system mode, which does not enforce the permissions and field-level security of the current user.

Controller extension: A controller extension is an Apex class that extends the functionality of a standard or custom controller. Use controller extensions when:

- *You want to leverage the built-in functionality of a standard controller but override one or more actions, such as edit, view, save, or delete.*
- *You want to add new actions.*
- *You want to build a Visualforce page that respects user permissions. Although a controller extension class executes in system mode, if a controller extension extends a standard controller, the logic from the standard controller does not execute in system mode. Instead, it executes in user mode, in which permissions, field-level security, and sharing rules of the current user apply.*

A controller extension is any Apex class containing a constructor that takes a single argument of type ApexPages.StandardController or CustomControllerName, whereCustomControllerName is the name of a custom controller you want to extend.

Note: Although custom controllers and controller extension classes execute in system mode and thereby ignore user permissions and field-level security, you can choose whether they respect a user's organization-wide defaults, role hierarchy, and sharing rules by using the with sharing keywords in the class definition.

244. What are different kinds of reports?

1. Tabular: Tabular reports are the simplest and fastest way to look at data. Similar to a spreadsheet, they consist simply of an ordered set of fields in columns, with each matching record listed in a row. Tabular reports are best for creating lists of records or a list with a single grand total. They can't be used to create groups of data or charts, and can't be used in dashboards unless rows are limited. Examples include contact mailing lists and activity reports.

2. Summary: Summary reports are similar to tabular reports, but also allow users to group rows of data, view subtotals, and create charts. They can be used as the source report for dashboard components. Use this type for a report to show subtotals based on the value of a particular field or when you want to create a hierarchical list, such as all opportunities for your team, subtotalled by Stage and Owner. Summary reports with no groupings show as tabular reports on the report run page.

3. Matrix: Matrix reports are similar to summary reports but allow you to group and summarize data by both rows and columns. They can be used as the source report for dashboard components. Use this type for comparing related totals, especially if you

have large amounts of data to summarize and you need to compare values in several different fields, or you want to look at data by date and by product, person, or geography. Matrix reports without at least one row and one column grouping show as summary reports on the report run page.

4. Joined: Joined reports let you create multiple report blocks that provide different views of your data. Each block acts like a “sub-report,” with its own fields, columns, sorting, and filtering. A joined report can even contain data from different report types.

245. What are different kinds of dashboard component?

1. Chart: Use a chart when you want to show data graphically.

2. Gauge: Use a gauge when you have a single value that you want to show within a range of custom values.

3. Metric: Use a metric when you have one key value to display.

- Enter metric labels directly on components by clicking the empty text field next to the grand total.*

- Metric components placed directly above and below each other in a dashboard column are displayed together as a single component.*

4. Table: Use a table to show a set of report data in column form.

5. Visualforce Page: Use a Visualforce page when you want to create a custom component or show information not available in another component type

6. Custom S-Control: Custom S-Controls can contain any type of content that you can display or run in a browser, for example, a Java applet, an ActiveX control, an Excel file, or a custom HTML Web form

Wrapper Class in Apex Salesforce: *Wrapper class is collections of different data type, subject etc.*

In following example we are bind Account, Opportunity standard object. We query and perform

business logic on the Collection of elements across unrelated objects with the custom data type.

Visual Force Page:

```
<apex:page controller="wrapperDemoCtrl">

<apex:pageBlock title="Account From wrapper Class">

<apex:pageBlockTable value="{!wraccount}" var="wra">

<apex:column value="{!wra.acc.Name}"/>
```

```

    </apex:pageBlockTable>

</apex:pageBlock>

<apex:pageBlock title="Opportunity From wrapper Class">

<apex:pageBlockTable value="{!wraoppn}" var="wropp">

<apex:column value="{!wropp.op.Name}"/>

</apex:pageBlockTable>

</apex:pageBlock>

</apex:page>

```

Controller:

```

public class wrapperDemoCtrl {

    public list<wrapperClass> wraplist{get;set;}

    public list<wrapperClass> getwraccount()
    {
        list<Account>acclist=[select Id,Name from Account limit 3];
        wraplist= new list<wrapperClass>();
        for(Account acn: acclist)
        {
            wraplist.add(new wrapperClass(acn));
        }
        return wraplist;
    }

    public list<wrapperClass> getwraoppn()
    {
        list<Opportunity>opplist=[select Id,Name from Opportunity limit 3];
        wraplist= new list<wrapperClass>();
        for(Opportunity opn:opplist )
        {
            wraplist.add(new wrapperClass(opn));
        }
        return wraplist;
    }
}

```

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    }

public class wrapperClass{

    public Account acc {get;set;}
    public Opportunity op {get;set;}

    public wrapperClass(Account accn){

        acc= accn;
    }

    public wrapperClass(Opportunity opn)
    {
        op=opn;

    }
}

```

266. What is apex scheduler?

Apex scheduler is used to invoke Apex classes to run at specific times, first implement the Schedulable interface for the class, then specify the schedule using either the Schedule Apex page in the Salesforce user interface, or the System.schedule method. The Schedulable interface contains one method that must be implemented, execute.

```
global void execute(SchedulableContext sc){}
```

The implemented method must be declared as global or public.

The following example implements the Schedulable interface for a class called mergeNumbers:

```
global class scheduledMerge implements Schedulable{
    global void execute(SchedulableContext SC) {
        mergeNumbers M = new mergeNumbers();
    }
}
```

The following example uses the System.Schedule method to implement the above class.

```
scheduledMerge m = new scheduledMerge();
```

```
String sch = '20 30 8 10 2 ?';
system.schedule('Merge Job', sch, m);
```

You can also use the Schedulable interface with batch Apex classes. The following example implements the Schedulable interface for a batch Apex class called batchable:

```
global class scheduledBatchable implements Schedulable{
    global void execute(SchedulableContext sc) {
        batchable b = new batchable();
        database.executebatch(b);
    }
}
```

}

Use the SchedulableContext object to keep track of the scheduled job once it's scheduled. The SchedulableContext method getTriggerID returns the ID of the CronTrigger object associated with this scheduled job as a string. Use this method to track the progress of the scheduled job.

To stop execution of a job that was scheduled, use the System.abortJob method with the ID returned by the.getTriggerID method.

267. Write a syntax and structure of scheduler class?

Sample class

```
global class ScheduleDemo implements Schedulable{  
    global void execute(SchedulableContext sc){  
        BatchClass b = new BatchClass();  
        database.executeBatch(b);  
    }  
}
```

268. What is Scheduler class in Apex?

The Apex class which is programmed to run at pre defined interval.

Class must implement schedulable interface and it contains method named execute().

There are two ways to invoke scheduler:

1. Using UI
2. Using System.schedule (Schedule method of System class)

The classes which implements interface schedulable get the button texted with "Schedule", when user clicks on that button; new interface opens to schedule the classes which implements that interface.

To see what happened to scheduled job, go to "Monitoring / Scheduled jobs "

Example of scheduling:

```
scheduledMerge m = new scheduledMerge();  
String sch = '20 30 8 10 2 ?';  
system.schedule('Merge Job', sch, m);
```

Here:

20 represents seconds

30 represents minutes

8 represents hour of the day

10 represents 10th day of month

2 represents month of the year

?represents day of the month

269. Write a apex code to send a email?

Sample code snippet to send an email using apex code

```
Messaging.SingleEmailMessage mail = new Messaging.SingleEmailMessage();  
String[] toAddresses = new String[]{'talk2srikrishna@gmail.com'};  
mail.setToAddress(toAddresses);  
mail.setSubject('Sample Mail Subject');  
mail.setPlainTextBody('Hello World!');
```

```
Messaging.sendEmail(new Messaging.SingleEmailMessage[]{});
```

270. What are the aggregate functions supported by salesforce SOQL?

Following aggregate functions are supported by salesforce SOQL

1. *SUM()*
2. *MIN()*
3. *MAX()*
4. *COUNT()*
5. *AVG()*
6. *COUNT_DISTINCT()*

271. Write a sample aggregate query or explain how to write a aggregate queries?

The return types of Aggregate functions are always an array of *AggregateResult*.

Sample Code

```
AggregateResult[] ar = [select AVG(Amount) aver from Opportunity];
```

```
Object avgAmt = ar[0].get('aver');
```

272. Write a code to find the average Amount for all your opportunities by campaign?

```
AggregateResult[] arList = [select CampaignId, AVG(amount) from Opportunity group by CampaignId];
```

```
for(AggregateResult ar : arList){
        System.debug('CampaignId ' + ar.get('CampaignId'));
        System.debug('Average Amount' + ar.get('expr0'));
}
```

273. What are email services in salesforce and explain how we can use them in code?

Email services are automated processes that use apex class to process the contents, headers and attachment of an inbound email.

Sample code

Use Case: create a contact record if the inbound email subject is Create Contact and body contains contact name

```
global CreateContactFromEmail implements Messaging.InboundEmailHandler{
        global Messaging.InboundEmailResult handleInboundEmail(Messaging.InboundEmail email,
    Messaging.InboundEnvelop envelop){
                Messaging.InboundEmailResult res = new Messaging.InboundEmailResult();
                String strToCompare = 'Create Contact';
                If(email.subject.equalsIgnoreCase(strToCompare)){
                        Contact c = new Contact();
                        c.LastName = email.plainTextBody();
                        insert c;
            
                //save text attachments
                        for(Messaging.InboundEmail.TextAttachment att : email.textAttachments){
                                Attachment a = new Attachment();
                                a.Name = att.fileName;
                                a.Body = att.Blob.valueOf(att.Body);

```

```

    a.ParentId = c.Id;
    insert attachment;
}

//save binary attachments
for (Messaging.InboundEmail.BinaryAttachment bAttachment : email.binaryAttachments) {
    Attachment attachment = new Attachment();
    attachment.Name = bAttachment.fileName;
    attachment.Body = bAttachment.body;
    attachment.ParentId = c.Id;
    insert attachment;
}
res.Success = true;
return res;
}
}

```

274. What is the row limit for apex:dataTable and apex:pageBlockTable?

The data set for both apex:dataTable and apex:pageBlockTable can have up to 1000 items.

275. What is the difference between apex:pageMessages, apex:pageMessage, apex:Message and apex:Messages?

apex:PageMessages:

This component displays all messages that were generated for all components on the current page, presented using the salesforce styling. This will display both salesforce generated messages as well as custom messages added to the ApexPages class

apex:PageMessage:

Apex:PageMessage is a component that adds single message on the page. This is used to display custom message using the salesforce formatting

apex:Message:

apex:Message is used to display an error on only a specific field. It is used to allow developers to place field specific errors in specific location.

apex:Messages:

apex:Messages is similar to *apex:Message* but it displays all errors

276. How can we hard delete a record using a Apex class/by code?

ALL ROWS key word can be used to get all the records including records in the recycle bin.

Below is the sample code to delete contact records from recycle bin

```
List<Contact> dContactList=[Select ID From Contact Where IsDeleted = true limit 199 ALL ROWS];
Database.emptyRecycleBin( dContactList );
```

278. Write a syntax and structure of batch class?

Sample class

```
global Class BatchDemo implements Database.Batchable<sObject>{
    global Database.QueryLocator start(Database.BatchableContext bc){
        return Database.getQueryLocator(query);
    }
    global void execute(Database.BatchableContext bc, List<sObjects> scope){
        ...
    }
    global void finish(Database.BatchableContext bc){
        ...
    }
}
```

Below code will call the batch class

```
BatchDemo bd = new BatchDemo();
database.executebatch(bd);
```

279. What is batch apex?

Batch Apex is exposed as an interface that must be implemented by the developer. Batch jobs can be programmatically invoked at runtime using Apex.

Need of Batch Apex: - As you all might know about the salesforce governor limits on its data. When you want to fetch thousands of records or fire DML on thousands of rows on objects it is very complex in salesforce and it does not allow you to operate on more than certain number of records which satisfies the Governor limits.

But for medium to large enterprises, it is essential to manage thousands of records every day. Adding/editing/deleting them when needed.

Salesforce has come up with a powerful concept called *Batch Apex*. *Batch Apex* allows you to handle more number of records and manipulate them by using a specific syntax.

We have to create a global apex class which extends *Database.Batchable Interface* because of which the salesforce compiler will know, this class incorporates batch jobs. Below is a sample class which is designed to delete all the records of Account object (Lets say your organization

(contains more than 50 thousand records and you want to mass delete all of them).

Examples:-

```
global class deleteAccounts implements Database.Batchable<Account>
{
    global final String Query;
    global deleteAccounts(String q)
    {
        Query=q;
    }
    global Database.QueryLocator start(Database.BatchableContext BC)
    {
        return Database.getQueryLocator(query);
    }
    global void execute(Database.BatchableContext BC,List scope)
    {
        List <Account> lstAccount = new list<Account>();
        for(Sobject s : scope)
        {
            Account a = (Account)s;
            lstAccount.add(a);
        }
        Delete lstAccount;
    }
    global void finish(Database.BatchableContext BC)
    {
        //Send an email to the User after your batch completes
        Messaging.SingleEmailMessage mail = new Messaging.SingleEmailMessage();
        String[] toAddresses = new String[] {'sforce2009@gmail.com'};
        mail.setToAddresses(toAddresses);
        mail.setSubject('Apex Batch Job is done');
        mail.setPlainTextBody('The batch Apex job processed ');
        Messaging.sendEmail(new Messaging.SingleEmailMessage[] { mail });
    }
}
```

//This is how the batch class is called.

```
id batchinstanceid = database.executeBatch(new deleteAccounts('select Id from Account'));
```

280. What are web service callouts?

Apex Code supports the ability to expose Apex methods as a Web service. Apex also supports the ability to invoke external web services and this will refer to as 'Callouts.' The former is involved in creating a web service that a client can invoke, while the latter is invoking an external web service.

281. What are wrapper classes?

A wrapper or container class is a class, a data structure, or an abstract data type whose instances

are collections of other objects.

282. How do you hide header and sidebar on visualforce page?

Below is the code to hide sidebar and header

```
<apex:page showHeader="false" sidebar="false">  
</apex:page>
```

283. What is the difference between standard and custom controller?

The standard controller is auto generated by SF for all objects.

Custom controllers are written by you and do what your code tells them to do.

284. How do you read parameter in visualforce page?

Below syntax can be used to read parameters in visualforce page

```
<apex:inputField value="{$CurrentPage.parameters.Paramtervalue}"/>
```

Additional code:

If you're writing a custom controller, use the `ApexPages` global object variable and `currentPage()` and `getParameters()` methods to get query string parameters. For example, to get the value of the name query parameter in the URL: <https://na1.salesforce.com/001/e?name=value>, use the following line in your custom controller:

```
String value = ApexPages.currentPage().getParameters().get('name');
```

If you're editing a page, use the `$PageContext` global variable in a merge field.

For example, suppose you want to add the Open Activities related list to an account detail page, but instead of showing the account's activities, you want to show the activities of a specified contact. To specify the contact, the following page looks for a query string parameter for the contact's ID under the name `relatedId`:

```
<apex:page standardController="Account">  
<apex:pageBlock title="Hello {$User.FirstName}!">  
    You belong to the {$account.name} account.<br/>  
    You're also a nice person.  
</apex:pageBlock>  
<apex:detail subject="{$account}" relatedList="false"/>  
<apex:relatedList list="OpenActivities"  
    subject="{$CurrentPage.parameters.relatedId}"/>  
</apex:page>
```

For this related list to render in a saved page, valid account and contact IDs must be specified in the URL. For example, if `001D000000HRgU6` is the account ID and `003D000000OXDIx` is the contact ID, use the URL <https://na3.salesforce.com/apex/MyFirstPage?id=001D000000HRgU6&relatedId=003D000000OXDIx>.

To set a query string parameter:

- If you're writing a custom controller, use the `setParameters()` method with `ApexPages.currentPage()` to add a query parameter in a test method. For example:

```
String key = 'name';
```

```
String value = 'Caroline';
```

```
ApexPages.currentPage().setParameters().put(key, value);
```

Note

The `setParameters()` method is only valid inside test methods.

- If you're editing a page, you can either construct a URL manually:

```
<apex:outputLink value="http://google.com/search?q={!account.name}">  
    Search Google  
</apex:outputLink>
```

Or you can use the `<apex:param>` tag as a child tag to write cleaner code:

```
<apex:outputLink value="http://google.com/search">  
    Search Google  
<apex:param name="q" value="{!!account.name}" />  
</apex:outputLink>
```

285. How can we pass javascript variable to apex class?

VF Page (Use assign input variable to VF using `$Component.FieldId`)

```
<apex:page controller="Js_Test_Class">  
<apex:form>  
<script>  
    function setVal()  
    {  
        document.getElementById("{!$Component.hdnField}").value = "TestValue";  
    }  
</script>  
<apex:inputHidden id="hdnField" value="{!!theValue}" />  
<apex:commandButton value="Post Page" action="{!!post}" />  
</apex:form>  
<script>  
setVal();  
</script>  
</apex:page>
```

Controller (Declare setter and getter for the variable being used in VF page)

```
public class Js_Test_Class {  
    public String theValue { get;set; }  
    public void post() {  
        System.Debug('The value is : '+theValue);  
    }  
}
```

286. Is it possible to call apex method in javascript code? If yes, explain?

Yes, we can call apex methods using javascript. We can achieve this using `ActionFunction`. `ActionFunction` allow you to tie an apex method to a javascript function name and invoke synchronously. `ActionFunction` must be a child of `apex:form` component.

Example VF Page

```

<apex:page controller="t">
<script>
function myJavascriptFunc()
{
    alert('Entered Javascript');
    CallApexMethod();
}
</script>
<apex:form >
<apex:actionFunction          name="CallApexMethod"          action="{!myActionInController}"
onComplete="alert('After apex method');"/>
<apex:pageBlock >
<apex:pageBlockButtons>
<apex:commandButton value="Hit Me" onclick="myJavascriptFunc();"/>
</apex:pageBlockButtons>
</apex:pageBlock>
</apex:form>
</apex:page>
Example Controller
public class t
public PageReference myActionInController(){
return null;
}
}

```

287. What is commandLink? Explain the usage?

CommandLink is a link that executes an action defined by a controller, and then refreshes the current page or navigate to the different page based on the PageReference variable that is returned by the action.

commandLink component must be a child of an form component.

Example:

```
<apex:commandLink action="{!save}" value="Save" id="theCommandLink"/>
```

288. What is outputLink? Explain the usage?

OutputLink is a link to URL. This component is rendered in HTML as an anchor tag with an href attribute. The body of the OutputLink is a text or image that displays as the link

Example:

```
<apex:outputLink value="http://www.google.com" id="theLink">www.google.com</outputLink>
```

289. How to get URL parameters in Visuaforce page?

If the URL is something link this

*https://<salesforce
instance>/apex/getQueryStringParam?id=001d000000B1Gj5&cid=003d000000BljFh
and if we want to read cid in our visualforce page then,
Use: \$CurrentPage.parameters.cid*

Or

If there is a single parameter in the URL string link this

<https://xxx.visual.force.com/apex/NewPage?TestValue=value1&retURL=a0HS000000450UD>

Then Use:

`$CurrentPage.parameters.Paramtervalue`

290. How to set URL parameters in Visuaforce page?

Setting a Query String parameter can be achieved by two ways.

One:

Construct a URL manually like,

```
<apex:outputLink value="http://google.com/search?q={!account.name}">  
    Search Google  
</apex:outputLink>
```

Two

```
<apex:outputLink value="http://google.com/search">  
    Search Google  
<apex:param name="q" value="{!!account.name}" />  
</apex:outputLink>
```

291. How to get URL parameters in APEX class?

If the URL is something link this

<https://<salesforce>

`instance>/apex/getQueryStringParam?id=001d000000B1Gj5&cid=003d000000BljFh`

And if we want to read cid in our visualforce page then,

Use:

```
String id = ApexPages.currentPage().getParameters().get('id');  
String id = ApexPages.currentPage().getParameters().get('cid');
```

292. How to set URL parameters in APEX class?

To set a URL parameter using Apex code use below syntax

`String key = 'name';`

`String value = 'Caroline';`

`ApexPages.currentPage().getParameters().put(key, value);`

Or

`ApexPages.currentPage().getParameters().set('value');`

293. Explain how MVC architecture fit for Salesforce?

In salesforce, Apex Classes works as Controllers, Visualforce Pages works as View and Custom objects works as Model.

294. How to use actionFunction, actionSupport and actionPollar in salesforce?

`actionFunction` : provides support for invoking controller action methods directly from JavaScript code using an AJAXrequest

Used when we need to perform similar action on various events. Even though, you can use it in place of `actionSupport` as well where only event is related to only one control.

Example:

`actionFunction`: provides support for invoking controller action methods directly from JavaScript

code using an AJAXrequest

Example :

```
<!-- Page: -->
<apex:page controller="exampleCon">
<apex:form>
<!-- Define the JavaScript function sayHello-->
<apex:actionFunction name="sayHello" action="{!sayHello}" rerender="out"
status="myStatus"/>
</apex:form>
<apex:outputPanel id="out">
<apex:outputText value="Hello "/>
<apex:actionStatus startText="requesting... " id="myStatus">
<apex:facet name="stop">{!username}</apex:facet>
</apex:actionStatus>
</apex:outputPanel>
<!-- Call the sayHello JavaScript function using a script element-->
<script>window.setTimeout(sayHello,2000)</script>
<p><apex:outputText value="Clicked? {!state}" id="showstate" /></p>
<!-- Add the onclick event listener to a panel. When clicked, the panel triggers
the methodOneInJavascript actionFunction with a param -->
<apex:outputPanel onclick="methodOneInJavascript('Yes!')" styleClass="btn">
Click Me
</apex:outputPanel>
<apex:form>
<apex:actionFunction action="={!methodOne}" name="methodOneInJavascript"
rerender="showstate">
<apex:param name="firstParam" assignTo=" {!state}" value="" />
</apex:actionFunction>
</apex:form>
</apex:page>
/** Controller ***/
public class exampleCon {
String uname;
public String getUsername() {
return uname;
}
public PageReference sayHello() {
uname = UserInfo.getName();
return null;
}
public void setState(String n) {
state = n;
```

```

}

public String getState() {
    return state;
}

public PageReference methodOne() {
    return null;
}

private String state = 'no';
}

```

ActionSupport: A component that adds AJAX support to another component, allowing the component to be refreshed asynchronously by the server when a particular event occurs, such as a button click or mouseover.

Used when we want to perform an action on a particular event of any control like onchange of any text box or picklist.

Example:

```

<!-- Page: -->
<apex:page controller="exampleCon">
<apex:form>
<apex:outputpanel id="counter">
<apex:outputText value="Click Me!: {!count}" />
<apex:actionSupport event="onclick"
action="{!incrementCounter}"
rerender="counter" status="counterStatus"/>
</apex:outputpanel>
<apex:actionStatus id="counterStatus"
startText="(incrementing...)"
stopText="(done)"/>
</apex:form>
</apex:page>
/** Controller: ***/
public class exampleCon {
    Integer count = 0;
    public PageReference incrementCounter() {
        count++;
        return null;
    }
    public Integer getCount() {
        return count;
    }
}

```

ActionPolar: A timer that sends an AJAX update request to the server according to a time interval that you specify. The update request can then result in a full or partial page update. You should

avoid using this component with enhanced lists.

Used when we want to perform an action on server again and again for a particular time interval.

Example:

```
<!-- Page -->
<apex:page controller="exampleCon">
<apex:form>
<apex:outputText value="Watch this counter: {!count}" id="counter"/>
<apex:actionPoller action="{!incrementCounter}" rerender="counter" interval="15"/>
</apex:form>
</apex:page>
/** Controller: ***/
public class exampleCon {
Integer count = 0;
public PageReference incrementCounter() {
count++;
return null;
}
}
```

295. What is the difference between actionFunction and actionSupport tags?

Sl No	ActionSupport	ActionFunction
1)	Directly call action method without javascript	Call action method from javascript with AJAX
2)	It can be used to call action method on single event	It can be used to call action method on different event
3)	It cannot be called from javascript function. It only invoke controller action methods from other Visualforce components	It defines a new JavaScript function which can then be called from within a block of JavaScript code.

296. How do you do File Upload using visualforce?

Below is the code sample of file upload in visualforce

```
<!-- Upload a file and put it in your personal documents folder-->
<!-- Page: -->
<apex:page standardController="Document" extensions="documentExt">
<apex:messages />
<apex:form id="theForm">
<apex:pageBlock>
<apex:pageBlockSection>
<apex:inputFile value="{!!document.body}" filename="{!!document.name}"/>
<apex:commandButton value="Save" action="{!!save}"/>
</apex:pageBlockSection>
</apex:pageBlock>
</apex:form>
```

```

</apex:page>
/** Controller */
public class documentExt {
    public documentExt(ApexPages.StandardController controller) {
        Document d = (Document) controller.getRecord();
        d.folderid = UserInfo.getUserId(); //this puts it in My Personal Documents
    }
}

```

298. Explain Apex Data Types

Apex primitive data types include

- *String*
- *Blob (for storing binary data)*
- *Boolean*
- *Date, DateTime and Time*
- *Integer, Long, Decimal, Double*
- *ID (Force.com database record identifier)*

Example:

- *DateTime dt = System.now() + 1;*
- *Boolean isClosed = true;*
- *String sCapsFirstName = 'Andrew'.toUpperCase();*

Apex sObject Types

Sobject (object representing a Force.com standard or custom object)

Example:

- *Account acct = new Account(); //Sobject example*

Apex has the following types of collections

- *Lists*
- *Maps*
- *Sets*

Example:

- *List myList = new List();*
- *myList.add(12); //Add the number 12 to the list*
- *myList.get(0); //Access to first integer stored in the List*

Enums

- *Enum (or enumerated list) is an abstract that stores one value of a finite set of specified identifiers.*
- *To define an Enum, use enum keyword in the variable declaration and then define the list of*

values.

- *By creating this Enum, you have created a new data type called Season that can be used as any other data type.*

Example:

- `public enum Season {WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL}`

299. Explain Apex Variables?

Local variables are declared with Java-style syntax.

For example:

- `Integer i = 0;`
- `String str;`
- `Account a;`
- `Account[] accts;`
- `Set s;`
- `Map<ID, Account> m;`

300. Explain Static Methods and Variables?

- *Class methods and variables can be declared as static. Without this keyword, the default is to create instance methods and variables.*

- *Static methods are accessed through the class itself, not through an object of the class:*

Example:

```
public class blogReaders {  
    public static boolean firstScript = false;  
}
```

- *Static methods are generally utility methods that do not depend on an instance. System methods are static.*
- *Use static variables to store data that is shared with in the class.*
- *All instances of the same class share a single copy of static variables.*
- *This can be a technique used for setting flags to prevent recursive*

301. What is the use of static variable?

When you declare a method or variable as static, it's initialized only once when a class is loaded.

Static variables aren't transmitted as part of the view state for a Visualforce page.

Static variables are only static within the scope of the request. They are not static across the server, or across the entire organization.

302. Explain Final variables?

- *The final keyword can only be used with variables.*
- *Classes and methods are final by default.*
- *Final variables can only be assigned a value once.*
- *When defining constants, both static and final keywords should be used.*

Example: public static final Integer =47;

303. Difference between with sharing and without sharing in salesforce

By default, all Apex executes under the System user, ignoring all CRUD, field-level, and row-level security (that is always executes using the full permissions of the current user).

without sharing:

Enforcing the User's Permissions, Sharing rules and field-level security should apply to the current user.

For example:

```
public with sharing class sharingClass {  
    // Code here  
}
```

without sharing:

Not enforced the User's Permissions, Sharing rules and field-level security.

For example:

```
public without sharing class noSharing {  
    // Code here  
}
```

Enforcing the current user's sharing rules can impact: (with sharing)

SOQL and SOSL queries – A query may return fewer rows than it would operating in system context.

DML operations – An operation may fail because the current user doesn't have the correct permissions. For example, if the user specifies a foreign key value that exists in the organization, but which the current user does not have access to.

304. Explain Class Constructors with example?

- A constructor is a special method used to create (or instantiate) an object out of a class definition.
- Constructors never have explicit return types.
- Constructors have the same name as the class.
- Classes have default, no-argument, public constructor if no explicit constructors is defined.
- If you create a constructor that takes arguments and still want a no-argument constructor, you must explicitly define one.
- Constructors can be overloaded, meaning you can have multiple constructors with different parameters, unique argument lists, or signatures.
- Constructors are called before all other methods in the class.

For Example:

```
public class TestObject2 {  
    private static final Integer DEFAULT_SIZE = 10;  
    Integer size;  
    //Constructor with no arguments  
    public TestObject2() {  
        this(DEFAULT_SIZE); // Using this(...) calls the one argument constructor
```

```

}

// Constructor with one argument
public TestObject2(Integer ObjectSize) {
    size = ObjectSize;
}
}

```

New objects of this type can be instantiated with the following code:

```

TestObject2 myObject1 = new TestObject2(42);
TestObject2 myObject2 = new TestObject2();

```

305. Class Access Modifiers

- Classes have different access levels depending on the keywords used in the class definition.
- global: this class is accessible by all Apex everywhere.*
- All methods/variables with the webService keyword must be global.
 - All methods/variables dealing with email services must be global.
 - All methods/variables/inner classes that are global must be within a global class to be accessible.
- public: this class is visible across your application or name space.*
- private: this class is an inner class and is only accessible to the outer class, or is a test class.*
- protected: this means that the method or variable is visible to any inner classes in the defining Apex class. You can only use this access modifier for instance methods and member variables.*
- To use the private, protected, public, or global access modifiers, use the following syntax:*
- [(none)|private|protected|public|global] declaration*

306. Explain Variable and Method Access Modifiers in Apex?

- Methods and variables have different levels depending on the keywords used in the declaration.
- *private: This method/variable is accessible within the class it is defined.*
- *protected: This method/variable is also available to any inner classes or subclasses. It can only be used by instance methods and member variables.*
- *public: This method/variable can be used by any Apex in this application namespace.*
- *global: this method/variable is accessible by all Apex everywhere.*
- All methods/variables with the webService keyword must be global.
- *The default access modifier for methods and variables is private.*

307. Explain Casting in Apex?

Apex enables casting: A data type of one class can be assigned to a data type of another class, but only if one class is a child of another class.

- *Casting converts an object from one data type to another.*
- *Casting between the generic sObject type and the specific sObject type is also allowed.*

For Example:

```

sObject s = new Account();
Account a = (Account)s;
Contact c = (Contact)s; //this generates a run time error.

```

308. Explain Exceptions Statements in Apex?

Similar to Java, Apex uses exception to note errors and other events that disrupt script execution

with the following

Exception statement keywords:

- *Throw: signals that an error has occurred and provides an exception object.*
- *Try: identifies the block of code where the exception can occur.*
- *Catch: identifies the block of code that can handle a particular exception. There may be multiple catch blocks for each try block.*
- *Finally: optionally identifies a block of code that is guaranteed to execute after a try block.*

Exception Example:

```
public class OtherException extends BaseException {}  
Try{  
    //Add code here  
    throw new OtherException('Something went wrong here...');  
} Catch (OtherException oex) {  
    //Caught a custom exception type here  
} Catch (Exception ex){  
    //Caught all other exceptions here  
}
```

309. Name different Exceptions?

All exceptions support built-in methods for returning the error message and exception type, below is the some of the Exception Methods,

AsyncException

CalloutException

DmlException

EmailException

JSONException

ListException

MathException

NoAccessException

NoDataFoundException

NullPointerException

QueryException

310. Explain about Salesforce annotations

Apex annotations modify the way a method or class is used.

Below is the list of annotations supported by salesforce

@Deprecated

Use the deprecated annotation to identify methods, classes, exceptions, enums, interfaces, or variables that can no longer be referenced in subsequent releases of the managed package in which they reside. This is useful when you are re-factoring code in managed packages as the requirements evolve. New subscribers cannot see the deprecated elements, while the elements continue to function for existing subscribers and API integrations.

@Future

Use the future annotation to identify methods that are executed asynchronously. When you

specify future, the method executes when Salesforce has available resources.

To test methods defined with the future annotation, call the class containing the method in a startTest, stopTest code block. All asynchronous calls made after the startTest method are collected by the system. When stopTest is executed, all asynchronous processes are run synchronously.

`@IsTest`

Use the isTest annotation to define classes or individual methods that only contain code used for testing your application. The isTest annotation is similar to creating methods declared as testMethod.

`@ReadOnly`

The @ReadOnly annotation allows you to perform unrestricted queries against the Force.com database. All other limits still apply. It's important to note that this annotation, while removing the limit of the number of returned rows for a request, blocks you from performing the following operations within the request: DML operations, calls to System.schedule, calls to methods annotated with @future, and sending emails.

`@RemoteAction`

The RemoteAction annotation provides support for Apex methods used in Visualforce to be called via JavaScript. This process is often referred to as JavaScript remoting.

`@TestVisible`

Use the TestVisible annotation to allow test methods to access private or protected members of another class outside the test class. These members include methods, member variables, and inner classes. This annotation enables a more permissive access level for running tests only.

Apex REST annotations:

`@RestResource(urlMapping='/yourUrl')`

The @RestResource annotation is used at the class level and enables you to expose an Apex class as a REST resource.

`@HttpDelete`

The @HttpDelete annotation is used at the method level and enables you to expose an Apex method as a REST resource. This method is called when an HTTP DELETE request is sent, and deletes the specified resource.

`@HttpGet`

The @HttpGet annotation is used at the method level and enables you to expose an Apex method as a REST resource. This method is called when an HTTP GET request is sent, and returns the specified resource.

`@HttpPatch`

The @HttpPatch annotation is used at the method level and enables you to expose an Apex method as a REST resource. This method is called when an HTTP PATCH request is sent,

and updates the specified resource.

@HttpPost

The @HttpPost annotation is used at the method level and enables you to expose an Apex method as a REST resource. This method is called when an HTTP POST request is sent, and creates a new resource.

@HttpPut

The @HttpPut annotation is used at the method level and enables you to expose an Apex method as a REST resource. This method is called when an HTTP PUT request is sent, and creates or updates the specified resource.

311. Difference between trigger.newMap and trigger.oldMap?

Trigger.newMap - A map of IDs to the new versions of the sObject records. Note that this map is only available in before update, after insert, and after update triggers.

Trigger.oldMap - A map of IDs to the old versions of the sObject records. Note that this map is only available in update and delete triggers.

312. What are the available Trigger Events?

There are 6 trigger events available.

1. *Insert*
2. *Update*
3. *Delete*
4. *Merge*
5. *Upsert*
6. *Undelete*

313. What are the available Trigger context variables?

Below are the list of Trigger context variables

1. *isBefore*
2. *IsAfter*
3. *isInsert*
4. *IsUpdate*
5. *isDelete*
6. *isUndelete*
7. *isExecuting*
8. *new*
9. *old*
10. *newMap*
11. *oldMap*
12. *size*

314. What is Force.com IDE?

The Force.com IDE is a powerful client application for creating, modifying, testing and deploying Force.com applications. Based on the Eclipse platform, it provides a comfortable environment for programmers familiar with integrated development environments, allowing you to code, compile, test, and deploy all from within the IDE itself.

315. Explain the Sequence of Salesforce Triggers and Order of Execution?

The following is the order of salesforce execution when the you create or update a record,

- 1) Loads the original record from the database or initializes the record for an upsert statement.*
- 2) Loads the new record field values from the request and overwrites the old values.*

If the request came from a standard UI edit page, Salesforce runs system validation to check the record for:

Required values at the layout level and field-definition level

Valid field formats (ex: zip code, country code format)

Maximum field length (ex: mobile number must 10 digits)

Salesforce doesn't perform system validation in this step when the request comes from other sources, such as an Apex application or a SOAP API call.

- 3) Run all before triggers.*

4) Runs most system validation steps again, such as verifying that all required fields have a non-null value, and runs any user-defined validation rules. The only system validation that Salesforce doesn't run a second time (when the request comes from a standard UI edit page) is the enforcement of layout-specific rules.

- 5) Saves the record to the database, but doesn't commit yet.*

- 6) Run all after triggers.*

- 7) Run assignment rules.*

- 8) Run auto-response rules.*

- 9) Run workflow rules.*

10) If there are workflow field updates, updates the record again.

11) If the record was updated with workflow field updates, fires before and after triggers one more time (and only one more time), in addition to standard validations. Custom validation rules are not run again.

- 12) Run escalation rules.*

13) If the record contains a roll-up summary field or is part of a cross-object workflow, performs calculations and updates the roll-up summary field in the parent record. Parent record goes through save procedure.

14) If the parent record is updated, and a grand-parent record contains a roll-up summary field or is part of a cross-object workflow, performs calculations and updates the roll-up summary field in the parent record. Grand-parent record goes through save procedure.

- 15) Run Criteria Based Sharing evaluation.*

- 16) Commits all DML operations to the database.*

- 17) Run post-commit logic, such as sending email.*

316. What is Visualforce in Salesforce?

Visualforce is the component-based user interface framework for the Force.com platform. The framework includes a tag-based markup language, similar to HTML. Each Visualforce tag corresponds to a coarse or fine-grained user interface component, such as a section of a page, or a field. Visualforce boasts about 100 built-in components, and a mechanism whereby developers can create their own components.

- Visualforce pages can react differently to different client browsers such as those on a mobile or touch screen device.*

- Everything runs on the server, so no additional client-side callbacks are needed to render a complete view.

- Optional server-side call outs can be made to any Web service.

Visualforce is a Web-based framework that lets you quickly develop sophisticated, custom UIs for Force.com desktop and mobile apps. Using native Visualforce markup and standard Web development technologies such as HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, and jQuery, you can rapidly build rich UIs for any app.

317. Let's say we have to update the same record in After Trigger context. Is there any way or workaround?

If we create a new instance of a sObject in the Apex Trigger in memory using the Id of the newly created record as provided in the After Trigger context, we can perform an Update DML statement and not get a read only error. This is because in Apex, the SObject is seen as a new reference (even though the records have the same SFDC ID) and therefore is eligible for DML operations. The below snippet of code illustrated this working and not working.

```
List<Contact> originals = new List<Contact>();
if(mirrorResultMap.values().size() > 0)
{
    for(Contact origContact : contactRecs.values())
    {
        Contact mirrorContact = mirrorResultMap.get(origContact.Id);
        //origContact.Linked_Contact_c = mirrorContact.Id; //Link the Original Record tot he Mirror Record WILL FAIL
        Contact origContactUpdate      = new Contact(Id=origContact.Id,      Linked_Contact_c      =
mirrorContact.Id); //This will WORK
        originals.add(origContactUpdate);
    }
    //update contactRecs.values(); //Update the Records -> THIS WILL FAIL AS ITS ORIGINAL RECORDS IN MEMORY
    update originals;
}
```

318. System.debug() statements are included against script count?

Any statement ending with semi-colon will be included against script count.

319. While trying to access javascript code from some CDN like Google, we get error something like "attempt to run uG request". How to resolve it?

While providing URL, do not specify the protocol.

Use like this:

```
<script type='text/javascript' src='//ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/1.6.2/jquery.min.js'></script>
```

320. Explain ActionFunction, ActionSupport and ActionPoller in Visualforce.

apex:ActionFunction : This component helps to invoke AJAX request (Call Controllers method) directly from Javascript method. It must be child of apex:form.

apex:ActionSupport : This component adds Ajax request to any other Visualforce component.
Example: Commandlink button has inbuilt AJAX functionality however few components like OutputPanel does not have inbuilt AJAX capabilities. So with the help of this component, we can enable AJAX.

apex:ActionPoller : This is timer component which can send AJAX request on pre-defined interval. Minimum interval is 5 sec and default is 60 sec.

321. In how many ways you can invoke Controllers / Controller Extensions method from VF?

We can invoke Aprex Controllers or Controller Extensions using below methods.

- Javascript Remoting
- ActionFunction
- ActionSupport
- ActionPoller

322. What is the use of apex:detail component ?

With the help of this Visualforce component, we can directly get complete behavior of page layout defined for logged in user's profile. There is no need to add fields, related lists explicitly.

323. What is the difference between "apex:dataTable" and "apex:pageBlockTable" components in Visualforce?

Both components are used to render data in tabular format.

DataTable	PageBlockTable
<i>Not required</i>	<i>Should be defined inside pageBlock or pageBlockSection</i>
<i>No styles are used</i>	<i>Uses standard style sheets</i>
<i>Not Required</i>	<i>It has the required attribute "value"</i>
<i>We need to specify column headers explicitly</i>	<i>Column headers will be displayed automatically</i>

dataTable will render records in simple HTML table format whereas the pageBlockTable possess default look and feel of salesforce standard CSS and must be written inside "apex:pageBlock" component and a required argument value need to be passed for pageBlockTable.

324. User have all the permissions to see the Dashboard and Source Folder still when he wants to see dashboard, it's not visible. What might be the cause?

It is possible that Salesforce User license for Dashboard running user is different than User wants to access Dashboard.

Example – Running User license is "Salesforce" and user trying to access Dashboard is "Salesforce Platform".

325. How to implement the pagination in SOQL?

In spring 12, Salesforce has come up with ability of SOQL to get records from position "X" instead of position "1" every time to help creating pagination feature.

Pagination in SOQL using keyword Offset

Select Id, Name from Lead LIMIT 5 OFFSET 2

Above query will return 5 Lead records starting from record number 10 (5x2).

326. How to generate the random string or random password using Apex?

Integer len = 10;

Blob blobKey = crypto.generateAesKey(128);

String key = EncodingUtil.convertToHex(blobKey);

String pwd = key.substring(0,len);

327. What is dynamic binding in salesforce?

Dynamic Visualforce bindings are a way of writing generic Visualforce pages that display information about records without necessarily knowing which fields to show. In other words, fields on the page are determined at run time, rather than compile time. This allows a developer to design a single page that renders differently for various audiences, based on their permissions or preferences. Dynamic bindings are useful for Visualforce pages included in managed packages since they allow for the presentation of data specific to each subscriber with very little coding.

Example 1:

Access the Account name from Contact.

{!myContact['Account'][fieldname]}

Consider Data type in Apex

public Map<String, List<Account>> accountsMap {get; set;}

Visualforce page:

```
<apex:variable value="A" var="selectedKey"/>
<apex:pageBlockTable value="{!accountsMap[selectedKey]}" var="acc">
    <apex:column value="{!acc.name}"/>
    <apex:column value="{!acc.BillingStreet}"/>
    <apex:column value="{!acc.BillingCity}"/>
    <apex:column value="{!acc.BillingPostalCode}"/>
</apex:pageBlockTable>
```

328. How to convert lead using Apex?

Lead myLead = new Lead(LastName = 'Foo', Company='Foo Bar');

insert myLead;

Database.LeadConvert lc = new database.LeadConvert();

lc.setLeadId(myLead.id);

LeadStatus convertStatus = [SELECT Id, MasterLabel FROM LeadStatus WHERE IsConverted=true LIMIT 1];

lc.setConvertedStatus(convertStatus.MasterLabel);

Database.LeadConvertResult lcr = Database.convertLead(lc);

System.assert(lcr.isSuccess());

329. Consider total 90k records present in Salesforce and you have used the count() method of soql. What will be output of it? (we need to verify this feature in recent versions of the salesforce api's)

It will throw an error something like "Too many query rows: 50001", as the record limit in SOQL is 50,000.

Although the count() returns only one row however it processes each record and thus hit the allowed governor limit.

330. How to get the Recordtype Id using Dynamic Apex?

Normally to get the RecordtypeId for any sObject we use SOQL and it will count against your limit. So below method will bypass the need of SOQL Query.

```
Map<String, Schema.SObjectType> m = Schema.getGlobalDescribe();
Schema.SObjectType s = m.get('API_Name_Of_SObject');
Schema.DescribeSObjectResult cfrSchema = s.getDescribe();
Map<String, Schema.RecordTypeInfo> RecordTypeInfo = cfrSchema.getRecordTypeInfosByName();
Id rtId = RecordTypeInfo.get('Record Type Name').getRecordTypeId();
```

331. Write Apex code which will take the RecordID as input and on the basis of that it will print the Object name and field names of sObject.

```
List<Schema.SObjectType> gd = Schema.getGlobalDescribe().Values();
Map<String, String> objectMap = new Map<String, String>();
for(Schema.SObjectType f : gd)
{
    objectMap.put(f.getDescribe().getKeyPrefix(), f.getDescribe().getName());
}
String sampleId ='00390000003LIVw';
String prefix = sampleId.substring(0,3);
String objectName = objectMap.get(prefix);
System.debug(** SObject Name ** '+objectName);
System.debug(** SObject Name ** '+objectName);
Map<String, Schema.SObjectField> desResult =
Schema.getGlobalDescribe().get(objectName).getDescribe().Fields.getMap();
List<String> fieldList = new List<String>();
fieldList.addAll(desResult.keySet());
for(integer i =0;i<fieldList.size();i++)
{
    System.debug(** Field Name ** '+fieldList[i]);
}
```

332. How to get "https" link instead of "http" for Visualforce page using URLFOR() in Email Template

When you create the Link using URLFOR() in Email Template, it creates link in "http" format instead of "https" and thus causes end user to logged into salesforce again.

So instead of

```
<a href='{!!URLFOR('/apex/SomePage',
[id=Some_Object__c.Id,retURL="/apex/SomeOtherPage"])}>Go to SomePage here!</a>
null,
```

We can use something like :

```
<a href='{!!SUBSTITUTE(URLFOR('/apex/SomePage',
[id=Some_Object__c.Id,retURL="/apex/SomeOtherPage"]),'http','https')}>Go to SomePage here!</a>
null,
```

333. When you get the error "Non-selective query against large object type"? How to resolve it?

Whenever an object has greater than 100K records any query on that object must be "selective". For a query to be selective it must have enough indexed filters (where clauses) so that less than 10% of the records (in our example 10K) are returned before applying the limit statement.

334. In Controller extension, you are getting the error "SObject row was retrieved via SOQL without querying the requested field" while accessing the field of parent Custom Object or standard Object for which the Controller extension was written. How to resolve that?

In Constructor of the Controller extension, only Id of Custom Object is supplied. We need to query the required field explicitly in order to use in remaining part of the code.

335. Using Apex how you can determine that user is in Sandbox or production?

By using below code, we can identify the given organization is a sandbox or production.

If the code returns true then it is a sandbox else it is a production.

```
public Static Boolean isSandbox(){
    String host = URL.getSalesforceBaseUrl().getHost();
    String server = host.substring(0,host.indexOf('.'));
    // It's easiest to check for 'my domain' sandboxes first
    // even though that will be rare
    if(server.contains('-'))
        return true;
    // tapp0 is a unique "non-cs" server so we check it now
    if(server == 'tapp0')
        return true;
    // If server is 'cs' followed by a number it's a sandbox
    if(server.length()>2){
        if(server.substring(0,2)=='cs'){
            try{
                Integer.valueOf(server.substring(2,server.length()));
            }
            catch(exception e){
                //started with cs, but not followed by a number
            }
            return false;
        }
        //cs followed by a number, that's a hit
    }
    // If we made it here it's a production box
    return false;
}
```

336. Consider we have overall 90% code coverage however there is one class which has 0% code coverage. Can we still able to deploy that class on production?

Yes. Minimum 1% required for every trigger and there is no such restriction for Apex class.

338. In Ajax toolkit for custom Javascript button, you have to explicitly login to API because global

Session variable is not available. In that case it is security vulnerable because anybody logged in can see the javascript code and your username and password. So is there any way to avoid this?

We can create a visualforce page with output type as JavaScript. Global session variable is available in VF page.

Initialize the global javascript variable in that VF page. include VF page as a javascript file and we are done!

339. In Custom Component How we can return value to Custom Controller or Controller Extension?

In Apex, Objects are passed by reference. So supply an argument of wrapper class (object) type to custom component. If its value is changed in Custom component we will get updated value in controller also.

340. Let's consider you had created outbound changeset previously. After that, some class is modified which is part of that old changeset. If you clone that Changeset, current updated class will be included or that previous class will be included in changset? (This need to be verified in recent versions)

Once changeset is created it cannot be modified. After creation of changset, if we modify any component it will not reflected and when we clone the changeset, all components (of course old copy of component) will be added to changeset.

341. In trigger, let's say we have system.debug() statement after adderror() method. Will system.debug() be statement executed in Trigger after adderror() method?

addError() method is not error statement rather its normal execution flow and all the statements written after adderror() will be executed normally.

342. What will happen if you try to update record in After Trigger Context?

You will get an error saying "record is Read only".

343. Can you use aggregate expressions inside inner query?

Explanation – Can you use Group by clause inside inner query in SOQL?

Example: Something like :

```
SELECT Id, Name,(SELECT Count(Id),Name FROM Contacts Group By Name Having count(Id) > 1 ) FROM Account
```

No. only root queries support aggregate expressions. Return type is List<AggregateResult> for above query However the root result expects List<Account> and there is no syntax or provision available in Salesforce to specify that child results are of type "AggregateResult".

344. What is the best way to check whether organization has PersonAccount enable or not using Apex?

Method 1:

```
// Test to see if person accounts are enabled.  
public Boolean personAccountsEnabled()  
{  
    try  
    {  
        // Try to use the isPersonAccount field.  
        sObject testObject = new Account();  
        testObject.get('isPersonAccount');
```

```

    // If we got here without an exception, return true.
    return true;
}
catch(Exception ex)
{
    // An exception was generated trying to access the isPersonAccount field
    // so person accounts aren't enabled; return false.
    return false;
}
}

```

Method 2:

```

// Check to see if person accounts are enabled.
public Boolean personAccountsEnabled()
{

```

```

    // Describe the Account object to get a map of all fields
    // then check to see if the map contains the field 'isPersonAccount'
    return Schema.sObjectType.Account.fields.getMap().containsKey('isPersonAccount');
}
```

345. How to get selected records ID from List View using Javascript / Ajax Toolkit, when custom button is added on List View page?

Create a new Button on Lead of type List Button. Add the button on Lead List View Layout and write below Javascript code:

```

{!RequireScript("/js/functions.js")}
var recordsSelected = {!GetRecordIds($ObjectType.Lead)}
for(var i=0; i < recordsSelected.length ; i++) {
    alert('Selected ID '+recordsSelected[i]);
}

```

346. What is the default timeout period while calling webservice from Apex.

10 sec.

347. A single Apex transaction can make how many callouts to an HTTP request or an API call?

Maximum 10 callouts

348. How to increase timeout while calling web service from Apex?

```

docSample.DocSamplePort stub = new docSample.DocSamplePort();
stub.timeout_x = 2000; // timeout in milliseconds

```

349. How to show loading image while Ajax call in Visualforce? OR how to show image in <apex:actionStatus> tag in Visualforce?

```

<div style="position:absolute;top:20px;left: 50%;">
    <apex:actionStatus id="refreshContent">
        <apex:facet name="start">
            <apex:image url="{!$Resource.LoadingImage}" />
        </apex:facet>
    </apex:actionStatus>

```

```
</div>
```

350. How to add the Document Header in Visualforce page?

Directly there is no way to add the document type in visualforce. However in most of the cases IE9 does not work with Visualforce pleasantly. And then we need to add the Document type in header. So following workaround will work.

```
<apex:outputText escape="false" value="{'<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd| >'}"/>
```

```
<html>
```

```
    <head>
```

```
        <title>test</title>
```

```
    </head>
```

```
    <body>test</body>
```

```
</html>
```

```
</apex:page>
```

351. Onchange event does not work with <apex:actionsupport> in IE9. How to resolve this error?

If we add the Header on Visualforce page then it creates lots of problem in IE9. I think there are few java-script library loaded by Header of Salesforce which makes IE9 compatible. So the best solution is to enable the Header by using "showHeader=true" in Apex page.

352. If IE9 is not working with your custom visualforce page then how to tell your visualforce code to run in IE8 compatibility mode?

Add following metatag to pages:

```
<meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=EmulateIE8" />
```

353. It may happen that above tips will not work as lots of time the page header already set. Then, how to achieve same result using Apex?

Add below line of code in Apex (Constructor)

```
Apexpages.currentPage().getHeaders().put('X-UA-Compatible', 'IE=8');
```

354. How to display the formatted number / date in Visualforce? Which component should be used?

Use component "<apex:outputText>".

Example : Format the number into currency.

```
<apex:outputtext value="{0, number, 000,000.00}">
    <apex:param value="{!valFromController}" />
</apex:outputtext>
```

OR

```
<apex:outputtext value="{0, number, ###,###.00}">
    <apex:param value="{!valFromController}" />
</apex:outputtext>
```

355. You want to display the Encrypted field on Visualforce and you are using component apex:outputText. Will it work for Encrypted fields?

Encrypted custom fields that are embedded in the <apex:outputText> component display in clear text. The <apex:outputText> component doesn't respect the View Encrypted Data permission for

users. To prevent showing sensitive information to unauthorized users, use the `<apex:outputField>` tag instead.

356. Will below query work? Explain.

`SELECT COUNT(Id), Name, Address__c FROM Opportunity GROUP BY Name`

Above query will throw an error.

Explanation: In Group by clause the columns selected must be either used in Group by clause or in aggregate functions. The Name field is neither used in aggregate methods and in group by clause and hence will result in error "Malformed Query".

357. Explain difference in COUNT() and COUNT(fieldName) in SOQL.

COUNT()

- `COUNT()` must be the only element in the `SELECT` list.
- You can use `COUNT()` with a `LIMIT` clause.
- You can't use `COUNT()` with an `ORDER BY` clause. Use `COUNT(fieldName)` instead.
- You can't use `COUNT()` with a `GROUP BY` clause for API version 19.0 and later. Use `COUNT(fieldName)` instead.

COUNT(fieldName)

- You can use `COUNT(fieldName)` with an `ORDER BY` clause.
- You can use `COUNT(fieldName)` with a `GROUP BY` clause for API version 19.0 and later.

358. How to write the "Where" clause in SOQL when Group By is used?

We cannot use the "Where" clause with Group By instead we will need to use the "Having Clause".

Example:

Get all the opportunity where more than one record exists with same name and name contains "ABC".

`SELECT COUNT(Id) , Name FROM Opportunity GROUP BY Name Having COUNT(Id) > 1 AND Name like '%ABC%'`

359. Let's consider that the first component in VF page is the Datepicker. In that case whenever the page loads, salesforce auto focus the first component resulting in Datepicker onfocus event. Because of this the Datepicker component opens automatically. How we can avoid this?

On load event, write the javascript code to autofocus any other field or any other non-visible component.

Example :

```
<span id="focusDistraction"></span>
<script type="text/javascript">
/* prevent autopop of the date inputfield by the default focus behavoir */
window.onload=function() {
document.getElementById('focusDistraction').focus();
}
</script>
```

360. How to force lead assignment rule via Apex while updating or adding the Lead?

To enforce Assignment Rules in Apex you will need to perform following steps:

1. Instantiate the "Database.DMLOptions" class.
2. Set the "useDefaultRule" property of "assignmentRuleHeader" to True.

3. Finally call a native method on your Lead called "setOptions", with the Database.DMLOptions instance as the argument.

// to turn ON the Assignment Rules in Apex

```
Database.DMLOptions dmlOptn = new Database.DMLOptions();
dmlOptn.assignmentRuleHeader.useDefaultRule = true;
leadObj.setOptions(dmlOptn);
```

361. Access custom controller-defined enum in custom component?

We cannot reference the enum directly since the enum itself is not visible to the page and you can't make it a property.

Example:

Apex class:

```
global with sharing class My_Controller {
    public Case currCase {get; set;}
    public enum StatusValue {RED, YELLOW, GREEN}
    public StatusValues getColorStatus() {
        return StatusValue.RED; //demo code - just return red
    }
}
```

Visualforce page:

```
<apex:image url='stopsign.png' rendered="{!colorStatus == StatusValue.RED}"/>
```

Above code snippet will throw error something like "Save Error: Unknown property 'My_Controller.statusValue'"

Resolution:

Add below method in Apex Controller:

```
public String currentStatusValue {get{ return getColorStatus().name();}}
```

and change Visualforce code to

```
<apex:image url='stopsign.png' rendered="{!currentStatusValue == 'RED'}"/>
```

362. What is the need of "Custom Controller" in Visualforce as everything can be done by the combination of Standard Controller + Extension class.

Sharing setting is applied on standard object/extension by default; In case we don't want to apply sharing setting in our code then Custom controller is only option.

It is possible that the functionality of page does not required any Standard object or may require more than one standard object, then in that case Custom controller is required.

363. In class declaration if we don't write keyword "with sharing" then it runs in system mode then why keyword "without sharing" is introduced in apex?

Let's take example, there is classA declared using "with sharing" and it calls classB method. classB is not declared with any keyword then by default "with sharing" will be applied to that class because originating call is done through classA. To avoid this we have to explicitly define classB with keyword "without sharing".

364. If user doesn't have any right on particular record and have only read level access at object level. Can he change the record owner?

Yes. In profile, there is setting for "Transfer Record".

365. In Which Scenario share object "MyCustomObject__share" is not available/created for custom object "MyCustomObject" ?

The object's organization-wide default access level must not be set to the most permissive access level. For custom Objects, that is Public Read/Write.

366. How to get the picklist value in Apex class?

Using Dynamic apex, we can achieve this. On object of type picklist, call `getDescribe()`. Then call the `getPicklistValues()` method. Iterate over result and create a list. Bind it to `<apex:selectOptions>`. Code Example:

Let's say we have a custom object called `OfficeLocation__c`. This object contains a picklist field `Country__c`.

The first thing we need to do, within our controller is use the `getDescribe()` method to obtain information on the `Country__c` field:

```
Schema.DescribeFieldResult fieldResult = OfficeLocation__c.Country__c.getDescribe();
```

We know that `Country__c` is a picklist, so we want to retrieve the picklist values:

```
List<Schema.PicklistEntry> ple = fieldResult.getPicklistValues();
```

The only thing left for us to do is map the picklist values into an `<apex:selectOptions>` tag can use for display. Here is the entire method from our controller to do this:

```
public List<SelectOption> getCountries()
```

```
{
```

```
    List<SelectOption> options = new List<SelectOption>();
```

```
    Schema.DescribeFieldResult fieldResult =
```

```
    OfficeLocation__c.Country__c.getDescribe();
```

```
    List<Schema.PicklistEntry> ple = fieldResult.getPicklistValues();
```

```
    for(Schema.PicklistEntry f : ple)
```

```
    {
```

```
        options.add(new SelectOption(f.getLabel(), f.getValue()));
```

```
}
```

```
    return options;
```

```
}
```

With our controller logic all complete, we can call the `getCountries()` method from our Visualforce page, and populate the `<apex:selectList>` tag:

```
<apex:selectList id="countries" value="{!Office_Location__c.Country__c}"  
    size="1" required="true">  
    <apex:selectOptions value="{!countries}" />  
</apex:selectList>
```

367. What are the types of controller in visual force?

There are basically two types of Controller in Visual force page.

1. Standard Controller and

2. Custom Controller

368. How many Controllers can be used on single VF page?

Only one controller can be used salesforce. Other than them, Controller extension can be used.

There may be more than one Controller extension.

Example:

```
<apex:page standardController="Account"
extensions="ExtOne,ExtTwo" showHeader="false">
<apex:outputText value="{!!foo}" />
</apex:page>
```

if ExtOne and ExtTwo, both have the method getFoo() then the method of ExtOne will be executed.

A controller extension is any Apex class that contains a constructor that takes a single argument of typeApexPages.StandardController or CustomControllerName, where CustomControllerName is the name of a custom controller that you want to extend.

369. Explain System.runAs()

Generally, all Apex code runs in system mode, and the permissions and record sharing of the current user are not taken into account. The system method, System.runAs(), lets you write test methods that change user contexts to either an existing user or a new user. All of that user's record sharing is then enforced. You can only use runAs in a test method. The original system context is started again after all runAs() test methods complete.

Example :

```
System.runAs(u) {
// The following code runs as user 'u'
System.debug('Current User: ' + UserInfo.getUserName());
System.debug('Current Profile: ' + UserInfo.getProfileId());
// Run some code that checks record sharing
}
```

370. Explain Test.setPage().

It is used to set the context to current page, normally used for testing the visual force controller.

371. Difference between SOSL and SOQL in Salesforce ?

SOSL	SOQL
Stands for "Salesforce object search language".	Stands for "Salesforce object query language".
Works on multiple object at a same time.	Need to write different SOQL for different object.
All fields are already text indexed.	SOQL against same field will be slow.
Cannot used in Triggers. Can only be used in Apex class and anonymous block.	Can be used in Apex class and Triggers.

372. How to round the double to two decimal places in Apex?

Decimal d = 100/3;

```
Double ans = d.setScale(2);
```

372. In how many ways we can invoke the Apex class?

1. Visualforce page
2. Trigger
3. Web Services
4. Email Services

373z d. Can we create Master Detail relationship on existing records?

No. As discussed above, first we have to create the lookup relationship then populate the value on all existing record and then convert it.

374. How validation rules executed? is it page layout / Visualforce dependent?

The validation rules run at the data model level, so they are not affected by the UI. Any record that is saved in Salesforce will run through the validation rules.

375. What is the difference between database.insert and insert?

insert is the DML statement which is same as database.insert.

However, database.insert gives more flexibility like rollback, default assignment rules etc. we can achieve the database.insert behavior in insert by using the method setOptions(Database.DMLOptions)

Important Difference:

- If we use the DML statement (insert), then in bulk operation if error occurs, the execution will stop and Apex code throws an error which can be handled in try catch block.
- If zDML database methods (Database.insert) used, then if error occurs the remaining records will be inserted / updated means partial DML operation will be done

376. What is the scope of static variable?

When you declare a method or variable as static, it's initialized only once when a class is loaded.

Static variables aren't transmitted as part of the view state for a Visualforce page.

Static variables are only static within the scope of the request. They are not static across the server, or across the entire organization.

377. Other than SOQL and SOSL what is other way to get custom settings?

Other than SOQL or SOSL, Custom settings have their own set of methods to access the record.

For example: If there is custom setting of name ISO_Country,

```
ISO_Country__c code = ISO_Country__c.getInstance('INDIA');
```

//To return a map of data sets defined for the custom object (all records in the custom object),
//you would use:

```
Map<String,ISO_Country__c> mapCodes = ISO_Country__c.getAll();
```

// display the ISO code for India

```
System.debug('ISO Code: '+mapCodes.get('INDIA').ISO_Code__c);
```

//Alternatively you can return the map as a list:

```
List<String> listCodes = ISO_Country__c.getAll().values();
```

378. What happens if child have two master records and one is deleted?

Child record will be deleted.

379. What is Difference in render, rerender and renderas attributes of visualforce?

render - It works like "display" property of CSS. Used to show or hide element.

rerender - After Ajax which component should be refreshed - available on commandlink, commandbutton, actionsupport etc.

renderas – render page as pdf, doc and excel.

380. How to get the list of all available sObject in salesforce database using Apex (Dynamic Apex)?

```
Map<String, Schema.SObjectType> m = Schema.getGlobalDescribe();
```

381. How to create instance of sObject dynamically? Normally the sObject is created like “Account a = new Account();”. But if you are in situation that you don’t know which sObject is going to be instantiated? Means it will be decided at runtime, how you will handle it?

```
public SObject getNewSobject(String t){  
    // Call global describe to get the map of string to token.  
    Map<String, Schema.SObjectType> gd = Schema.getGlobalDescribe();  
    // Get the token for the sObject based on the type.  
    Schema.SObjectType st = gd.get(t);  
    // Instantiate the sObject from the token.  
    Sobject s = st.newInstance();  
    return s;  
}
```

382. How to get all the fields of sObject using dynamic Apex?

```
Map<String, Schema.SObjectType> m = Schema.getGlobalDescribe();  
Schema.SObjectType s = m.get('API_Name_Of_SObject');  
Schema.DescribeSObjectResult r = s.getDescribe();  
Map<String, Schema.SObjectField> fields = r.fields.getMap();
```

383. How to get all the required fields of sObject dynamically?

There is no direct property available in Apex dynamic API to represent the required field. However there is another way to know about it.

If any fields have below three properties then it is mandatory field.

1. If it is Creatable
2. If it is not nullable and
3. If it does not have any default value

```
Map<String, Schema.SObjectType> m = Schema.getGlobalDescribe();  
Schema.SObjectType s = m.get(so.apiName);  
Schema.DescribeSObjectResult r = s.getDescribe();  
Map<String, Schema.SObjectField> fields = r.fields.getMap();  
for(String f : fields.keySet())  
{  
    Schema.DescribeFieldResult describeResult = fields.get(f).getDescribe();  
    if(describeResult.isCreateable() && !describeResult.isNullable() &&  
    !describeResult.isDefaultedOnCreate())  
    {  
        //This is mandatory / required field  
    }  
}
```

384. What is property in Apex? Explain with advantages.

Apex mainly consists of the syntax from the well known programming language Java. As a practice of encapsulation in java we declare any variable as private and then create the setters and getters for that variable.

```
private String name;  
public void setName(String n)  
{  
    name = n;  
}  
public String getName()  
{  
    return name;  
}
```

However, the Apex introduced the new concept of property from language C# as shown below:

```
public String name {get; set;}
```

As we can see how simple the code is and instead of using nearly 8 to 11 lines all done in 1 line only. It will be very useful when lots of member is declared in Apex class. It has another advantage in "number of lines of code" limit by salesforce which will drastically reduced.

385. What is the controller extension?

Any apex class having a public constructor with Custom Controller or Standard Controller object as a single argument is known as controller extension.

386. Explain the need or importance of the controller extension.

Controller extension is very useful and important concept introduced by the salesforce recently. It gives the power to programmer to extend the functionality of existing custom controller or standard controller.

A Visualforce can have a single Custom controller or standard controller but many controller extensions.

We can say that the custom extension is the supporter of custom or standard controller.

Consider one example: If there is one controller written and used by the multiple visualforce pages and one of them needs some extra logic. Then instead of writing that logic to controller class (Which is used by many visualforce pages) we can create a controller extension and apply to that page only.

387. How to read the parameter value from the URL in Apex?

Consider that the parameter name is "RecordType".

```
String recordType = ApexPages.currentPage().getParameters().get('RecordType');
```

388. If one object in Salesforce have 2 triggers which runs "before insert". Is there any way to control the sequence of execution of these triggers?

Salesforce.com has documented that trigger sequence cannot be predefined. As a best practice create one trigger per object and use comment blocks to separate different logic blocks. By having all logic in one trigger you may also be able to optimize on your SOQL queries.

389. What is the difference between trigger.new and trigger.old in Apex – SFDC?

Trigger.new:

Returns a list of the new versions of the sObject records

Note that this sObject list is only available in insert and update triggers

i.e., Trigger.new is available in before insert, after insert, before update and after update

In Trigger.new the records can only be modified in before triggers.

Trigger.old:

Returns a list of the old versions of the sObject records

Note that this sObject list is only available in update and delete triggers.

i.e., Trigger.old is available in after insert, after update, before delete and after update.

390. How to restrict any Trigger to fire only once?

Triggers can fire twice, once before workflows and once after workflows.

"The before and after triggers fire one more time only if something needs to be updated. If the fields have already been set to a value, the triggers are not fired again."

Workaround:

```
public class HelperClass {  
    public static boolean firstRun = true;  
}  
  
trigger affectedTrigger on Account (before delete, after delete, after undelete) {  
    if(Trigger.isBefore){  
        if(Trigger.isDelete){  
            if(HelperClass.firstRun){  
                Trigger.old[0].addError('Before Account Delete Error');  
                HelperClass.firstRun=false;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

394. What are Global variables explain with examples?

Global variables are the variables used to reference the general information about the current user or your organization on a page.

Example:

Global variables must be referenced using Visualforce expression syntax to be evaluated, for example, {!\$User.Name}.

List of available global variables are as below

1. \$Action
2. \$Api
3. \$Component
4. \$ComponentLabel
5. \$CurrentPage
6. \$Label
7. \$Label.Site
8. \$ObjectType
9. \$Organization
10. \$Page
11. \$Profile
12. \$Resource
13. \$SControl
14. \$Setup
15. \$Site
16. \$User
17. \$UserRole
18. \$System.OriginDateTime
19. \$User.UITheme and \$User.UIThemeDisplayed

395. How to create Many to Many relationships between object?

Creating Many to Many relationship in salesforce is little tricky. You cannot create this type of relationship directly. Follow below steps to create this type of relationship.

Create both objects which should be interlinked.

Create one custom object (also called as junction object), which should have auto number as unique identification and create two master relationships for both objects, no need create tab for this object.

Now on both objects, add this field as related list.

396. In which sequence Trigger and automation rules run in Salesforce.com?

The following is the order salesforce logic is applied to a record.

1. Old record loaded from database (or initialized for new inserts)
2. New record values overwrite old values
3. System Validation Rules
4. All Apex "before" triggers (EE / UE only)
5. Custom Validation Rules
6. Record saved to database (but not committed)
7. Record reloaded from database
8. All Apex "after" triggers (EE / UE only)

9. Assignment rules
10. Auto-response rules
11. Workflow rules
12. Escalation rules
13. Parent Rollup Summary Formula value updated (if present)
14. Database commit
15. Post-commit logic (sending email)

Additional notes: There is no way to control the order of execution within each group above.

397. What is S-Control?

S-Controls are the predominant salesforce.com widgets which are completely based on Javascript. These are hosted by salesforce but executed at client side. S-Controls are superseded by Visualforce now.

398. What is a Visualforce Page?

Visualforce is the new markup language from salesforce, by using which, We can render the standard styles of salesforce. We can still use HTML here in Visualforce. Each visualforce tag always begins with "apex" namespace. All the design part can be accomplished by using Visualforce Markup Language and the business logic can be written in custom controllers associated with the Page.

399. Will Visual force still supports the merge fields usage like S-control?

Just like S-Controls, Visualforce Pages support embedded merge fields, like the {!\$User.FirstName} used in the example.

400. What are Merge fields? Explain with example?

Merge fields are fields that we can put in Email templates, mail merge templates, custom link or formula fields to incorporate values from a record.

Example: {!CustomObject.FieldName_c}

401. Where to write Visualforce code?

You can write the code basically in 3 ways.

1. setup->App Setup->Develop->Pages and create new Visulaforce page.
2. Setup -> My Personal Information -> Personal Information -> Edit check the checkbox development mode. When you run the page like this, <https://ap1.salesforce.com/apex/MyTestPage>.you will find the Page editor at the bottom of the page. You can write you page as well as the controller class associated with it, there itself.
3. Using Eclipse IDE you can create the Visulaforce page and write the code.

402. What is difference in ISNULL and ISBLANK?

ISNULL:

- *Determines if an expression is null (blank) and returns TRUE if it is. If it contains a value, this function returns FALSE.*
- *Text fields are never null, so using this function with a text field always returns false. For example, the formula field IF(ISNULL(new_c), 1, 0) is always zero regardless of the value in the New field. For text fields, use the ISBLANK function instead.*
- *Multi-select picklist fields are never null in s-controls, buttons, and email templates, so using this function with a multi-select picklist field in those contexts always returns false.*
- *Empty date and date/time fields always return true when referenced in ISNULL functions.*
- *Choose Treat blank fields as blanks for your formula when referencing a number, percent, or currency field in an ISNULL function. Choosing Treat blank fields as zeroes gives blank fields the value of zero so none of them will be null.*
- *Merge fields can be handled as blanks, which can affect the results of components like s-controls because they can call this function.*
- *When using a validation rule to ensure that a number field contains a specific value, use the ISNULL function to include fields that do not contain any value. For example, to validate that a custom field contains a value of '1,' use the following validation rule to display an error if the field is blank or any other number: OR(ISNULL(field_c), field_c<>1)*

ISBLANK:

- *Determines if an expression has a value and returns TRUE if it does not. If it contains a value, this function returns FALSE.*
- *Use ISBLANK instead of ISNULL in new formulas. ISBLANK has the same functionality as ISNULL, but also supports text fields. Salesforce.com will continue to support ISNULL, so you do not need to change any existing formulas.*
- *A field is not empty if it contains a character, blank space, or zero. For example, a field that contains a space inserted with the spacebar is not empty.*
- *Use the BLANKVALUE function to return a specified string if the field does not have a value; use the ISBLANK function if you only want to check if the field has a value.*
- *If you use this function with a numeric field, the function only returns TRUE if the field has no value and is not configured to treat blank fields as zeroes.*

403. How to schedule a class in Apex?

To invoke Apex classes to run at specific times, first implement the Schedulable interface for the class, then specify the schedule using either the Schedule Apex page in the Salesforce user interface, or the System.schedule method.

After you implement a class with the Schedulable interface, use the System.Schedule method to execute it. The scheduler runs as system: all classes are executed, whether the user has permission to execute the class or not.

The System.Schedule method takes three arguments: a name for the job, an expression used to represent the time and date the job is scheduled to run, and the name of the class.

Salesforce only adds the process to the queue at the scheduled time. Actual execution may be delayed based on service availability. The System.Schedule method uses the user's time zone for the basis of all schedules. You can only have 25 classes scheduled at one time.

Example Code:

```
String CRON_EXP = '0 0 * * * ?';
clsScheduledHourly sch = new clsScheduledHourly();
system.schedule('Hourly Sync', CRON_EXP, sch);
404. What are different APIs in salesforce.com?
```

REST API:

REST API provides a powerful, convenient, and simple REST-based Web services interface for interacting with Salesforce. Its advantages include ease of integration and development, and it's an excellent choice of technology for use with mobile applications and Web projects. However, if you have a large number of records to process, you may wish to use Bulk API, which is based on REST principles and optimized for large sets of data.

SOAP API:

SOAP API provides a powerful, convenient, and simple SOAP-based Web services interface for interacting with Salesforce. You can use SOAP API to create, retrieve, update, or delete records. You can also use SOAP API to perform searches and much more. Use SOAP API in any language that supports Web services.

For example, you can use SOAP API to integrate Salesforce with your organization's ERP and finance systems, deliver real-time sales and support information to company portals, and populate critical business systems with customer information.

Chatter API:

Chatter API is a REST API that provides programmatic access to Chatter feeds and social data such as users, groups, followers, and files. It's used by developers who want to integrate Chatter into a variety of applications such as mobile applications, intranet sites, and third-party Web applications. Chatter API is similar to APIs offered by other companies with feeds, such as Facebook and Twitter. Its advantages include ease of integration and development.

Bulk API:

Bulk API is based on REST principles and is optimized for loading or deleting large sets of data. You can use it to query, insert, update, upsert, or delete a large number of records asynchronously by submitting batches which are processed in the background by Salesforce.

SOAP API, in contrast, is optimized for real-time client applications that update small numbers of records at a time. Although SOAP API can also be used for processing large numbers of records, when the data sets contain hundreds of thousands of records, it becomes less practical. Bulk API is

designed to make it simple to process data from a few thousand to millions of records.

The easiest way to use Bulk API is to enable it for processing records in Data Loader using CSV files. This avoids the need to write your own client application.

Metadata API:

Use Metadata API to retrieve, deploy, create, update, or delete customizations for your organization. The most common use is to migrate changes from a sandbox or testing organization to your production environment. Metadata API is intended for managing customizations and for building tools that can manage the metadata model, not the data itself.

The easiest way to access the functionality in Metadata API is to use the Force.com IDE or Force.com Migration Tool. These tools are built on top of Metadata API and use the standard Eclipse and Ant tools respectively to simplify the task of working with Metadata API. Built on the Eclipse platform, the Force.com IDE provides a comfortable environment for programmers familiar with integrated development environments, allowing you to code, compile, test, and deploy all from within the IDE itself. The Force.com Migration Tool is ideal if you want to use a script or a command-line utility for moving metadata between a local directory and a Salesforce organization.

Streaming API:

Use Streaming API to receive notifications for changes to data that match a SOQL query that you define.

Streaming API is useful when you want notifications to be pushed from the server to the client. Consider Streaming API for applications that poll frequently. Applications that have constant polling action against the Salesforce infrastructure, consuming unnecessary API call and processing time, would benefit from this API which reduces the number of requests that return no data. Streaming API is also ideal for applications that require general notification of data changes. This enables you to reduce the number of API calls and improve performance.

Apex REST API:

Use Apex REST API when you want to expose your Apex classes and methods so that external applications can access your code through REST architecture. Apex REST API supports both OAuth 2.0 and Session ID for authorization.

Apex SOAP API:

Use Apex SOAP API when you want to expose your Apex methods as SOAP Web service APIs so that external applications can access your code through SOAP. Apex SOAP API supports both OAuth 2.0 and Session ID for authorization.

405. How to display error message on Visualforce page?

In the Visualforce page add the tag:

```
<apex:pageMessages />
```

In the controller class add the error message where required

```
if (requiredFieldName == null){  
    ApexPages.addMessage(new ApexPages.Message(ApexPages.Severity.ERROR, 'Please  
enter a value in the Required Field'));  
}
```

406. What is Visualforce View State? And what are best practices to reduce the view state size?

Visualforce pages that contain a form component also contain an encrypted, hidden form field that encapsulates the view state of the page. This view state is automatically created, and as its name suggests, it holds the state of the page – state that includes the components, field values and controller state.

Best Practices to reduce the view state size

- Minimize number of forms on a page. Use apex:actionRegion instead of using 2 or more forms.
- Refine your SOQL to only retrieve the data needed by the page.
- All public and private data members present in Standard, Custom and Controller extensions are saved.
- Mark any Apex variables that are not necessary to the view state as Transient. (The transient variables are not passed to view state and therefore not stored in View State)
- Create wizards with as few pages as possible
- Use outputLink components instead of commandLink or commandButton components where possible as they don't need to be nested in a form.

407. What are custom settings?

Custom settings are similar to custom objects and enable application developers to create custom sets of data, as well as create and associate custom data for an organization, profile, or specific user. All custom settings data is exposed in the application cache, which enables efficient access without the cost of repeated queries to the database. This data can then be used by formula fields, validation rules, Apex, and the SOAP API.

There are two types of custom settings:

List Custom Settings

A type of custom setting that provides a reusable set of static data that can be accessed across your organization. If you use a particular set of data frequently within your application, putting that data in a list custom setting streamlines access to it. Data in list settings does not vary with profile or user, but is available organization-wide. Because the data is cached, access is low-cost and efficient: you don't have to use SOQL queries that count against your governor limits.

Hierarchy Custom Settings

A type of custom setting that uses a built-in hierarchical logic that lets you “personalize” settings for specific profiles or users. The hierarchy logic checks the organization, profile, and user settings

for the current user and returns the most specific, or "lowest," value. In the hierarchy, settings for an organization are overridden by profile settings, which, in turn, are overridden by user settings.

408. What is APEX?

It is the in-house technology of salesforce.com which is similar to Java programming with object oriented concepts and to write our own custom logic.

- Apex is a procedural scripting language in discrete and executed by the Force.com platform.
- It runs natively on the Salesforce servers, making it more powerful and faster than non-server code, such as JavaScript/AJAX.
- It uses syntax that looks like Java
- Apex can written in triggers that act like database stored procedures.
- Apex allows developers to attach business logic to the record save process.

- It has built-in support for unit test creation and execution.

Apex provides built-in support for common Force.com platform idioms, including:

- Data manipulation language (DML) calls, such as INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE, that include built-in DmlException handling
- Inline Salesforce Object Query Language (SOQL) and Salesforce Object Search Language (SOSL) queries that return lists of sObject records
- Looping that allows for bulk processing of multiple records at a time
- Locking syntax that prevents record update conflicts
- Custom public Force.com API calls that can be built from stored Apex methods
- Warnings and errors issued when a user tries to edit or delete a custom object or field that is referenced by Apex

Note: Apex is included in Unlimited Edition, Developer Edition, Enterprise Edition, and Database.com

Apex vs. Java: Commonalities

- Both have classes, inheritance, polymorphism, and other common OOP features.
- Both have the same name variable, expression, and looping syntax.
- Both have the same block and conditional statement syntax.
- Both use the same object, array, and comment notation.
- Both are compiled, strongly-typed, and transactional.

Apex vs. Java: Differences

- Apex runs in a multi-tenant environment and is very controlled in its invocation and governor limits.
- To avoid confusion with case-insensitive SOQL queries, Apex is also case-insensitive.
- Apex is on-demand and is compiled and executed in cloud.
- Apex is not a general purpose programming language, but is instead a proprietary language used

for specific business logic functions.

- Apex requires unit testing for development into a production environment.

409. Explain the Apex Data Manipulation Language (DML) Operations?

Use data manipulation language (DML) operations to insert, update, delete, and restore data in a database.

You can execute DML operations using two different forms:

Apex DML statements, such as:

`insertSObject[]`

Apex DML database methods, such as:

`Database.SaveResult[] result = Database.Insert(SObject[])`

While most DML operations are available in either form, some exist only in one form or the other.

The different DML operation forms enable different types of exception processing:

- Use DML statements if you want any error that occurs during bulk DML processing to be thrown as an Apex exception that immediately interrupts control flow (by using try...catch blocks). This behavior is similar to the way exceptions are handled in most database procedural languages.
 - Use DML database methods if you want to allow partial success of a bulk DML operation—if a record fails, the remainder of the DML operation can still succeed. Your application can then inspect the rejected records and possibly retry the operation. When using this form, you can write code that never throws DML exception errors. Instead, your code can use the appropriate results array to judge success or failure. Note that DML database methods also include a syntax that supports thrown exceptions, similar to DML statements