1 Terminology

 SQL stands for Structured Query Language. It is relational, not imperative.

Sample command:

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{\tt SELECT\ attribute\_list\ FROM\ table\_list\ WHERE\ condition}
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The symbols we can use for are <,>,<=,>=,+,<> (not equal to)

* is a wildcard.

Other keywords include OR, AND, DISTINCT, LIKE, BETWEEN (inclusive) $\,$

% matches 0 or more characters. _ matches exactly 1 character.

We can also use ORDER BY attribute_list ASC (ascending, which is the default) or DESC (descending)