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SQL: Database Programming: Sections Sections 2, 3: Select, Where, Order by, Functions

### **1-3: Anatomy of a SQL Statement**

Join	Display data from two or more related
Operator	A symbol used to perform an operation on some values.
Column	An implementation of an attribute or relationship in a table.
Projection	The capability in SQL to choose the columns in a table that you want returned from a query.
Null	A value that is unavailable, unassigned, unknown, or inapplicable
Column Alias	Renames a column heading.
Expression	A mathematical equation.
Selection	The capability in SQL to choose the rows in a table returned from a query
Query	Retrieves information from the database
SELECT	Specifies the columns to be displayed
FROM	Specifies the table containing the column listed in the select clause
Keyword	An individual SQL command
Clause	Part of a SQL statement
SELECT-FROM	A combination of the two clauses

1. Write a SQL statement that demonstrates projection.

```
SELECT first_name, last_name, student_id  
FROM students;
```

2. Write a query that displays the last\_name and email addresses for all the people in the DJs on Demand d\_client table. The column headings should appear as "Client" and "Email Address."

SELECT last\_name as "Client", email addresses as "Email Address"  
FROM d\_client;

3. The manager of Global Fast Foods decided to give all employees at 5%/hour raise + a \$.50 bonus/hour. However, when he looked at the results, he couldn't figure out why the new raises were not as he predicted. Ms. Doe should have a new salary of \$7.59, Mr. Miller's salary should be \$11.00, and Monique Tuttle should be \$63.50. He used the following query. What should he have done?

SELECT last\_name, (salary\*1.05)+.50  
FROM f\_staffs;

4. Which of the following would be the easiest way to see all rows in the d\_songs table?  
- C. SELECT \*

5. If  $\text{tax} = 8.5\% * \text{car\_cost}$  and  $\text{license} = \text{car\_cost} * .01\%$ , which value will produce the largest car payment?  
- B.  $\text{Payment} = \text{car\_cost} * 1.25 + 5.00 - (\text{tax} - \text{license})$

6. In the example below, identify the keywords, the clause(s), and the statement(s):  
SELECT employee\_id, last\_name  
FROM employees

- Keywords - SELECT, FROM
- Clauses - SELECT employee\_id, last\_name; FROM - employees
- Statement - Entire select statement

7. Label each example as SELECTION or PROJECTION.  
a. Please give me Mary Adam's email address. - SELECTION  
b. I would like only the manager\_id column, and none of the other columns. - PROJECTION

8. Which of the following statements are true?  
C.  $\text{null} * .05 = \text{null}$

9. How will the column headings be labeled in the following example?  
SELECT bear\_id bears, color AS Color, age "age"  
FROM animals;

C. BEARS, COLOR, age

10. Which of the following words must be in a SELECT statement in order to return all rows?  
D. SELECT \*

## **2-1: Working with Columns, Characters, and Rows**

Distinct	A command that suppresses duplicates
Concatenate	Links two columns together to form one character data column
String	A group of character data
Describe	A SQL plus command that displays the structure of a table

1. The manager of Global Fast Foods would like to send out coupons for the upcoming sale. He wants to send one coupon to each household. Create the SELECT statement that returns the customer last name and a mailing address.

```
SELECT last_name, mailing_address
```

2. Each statement below has errors. Correct the errors and execute the query in Oracle Application Express.
  - a. SELECT first\_name  
FROM f\_staffs;
  - b. SELECT first\_name || ' ' || last\_name AS "DJs on Demand Clients"  
FROM d\_clients;
  - c. SELECT DISTINCT f\_order\_lines  
FROM quantity;
  - d. SELECT order\_number  
FROM f\_orders;
3. Sue, Bob, and Monique were the employees of the month. Using the f\_staffs table, create a SELECT statement to display the results as shown in the Super Star chart.

```
SELECT  
'*** ' || first_name || ' *** ' || first_name || ' ***'  
AS "Super Star"  
FROM  
    f_staffs  
WHERE  
    First_name IN ('Sue', 'Bob', 'Monique');
```

4. Which of the following is TRUE about the following query?  
D. no rows will be returned
5. Global Fast Foods has decided to give all staff members a 5% raise. Prepare a report that presents the output as shown in the chart.

```
SELECT last_name AS "EMPLOYEE LAST NAME", salary AS "CURRENT SALARY", (salary *
1.05) AS "SALARY WITH 5% RAISE"
FROM f_staffs;
```

6. Create a query that will return the structure of the Oracle database EMPLOYEES table.

Which columns are marked "nullable"? What does this mean?

```
DESCRIBE EMPLOYEES
```

Nullable columns would contain null values that are unknown/not applicable

7. The owners of DJs on Demand would like a report of all items in their D\_CDs table with the following column headings:

Inventory Item, CD Title, Music Producer, and Year Purchased. Prepare this report.

```
SELECT inventory_item AS "Inventory Item", cd_title as "CD Title", music_producer AS "Music
producer", year_purchased AS "Year Purchased"
FROM D_CDs;
```

8. TRUE

9. TRUE

10. There are four coding errors in this statement. Can you identify them?

- Missing comma after last name
- "X" should be \*
- Before ANNUAL SALARY needs to be AS
- Alias needs AS

11. Multiplication

12. B\*

13. B. Projection

14. C. Employee

15. B. SELECT salary\* (6+ 100)

16. C. SELECT 'Mr./Ms. '||first\_name||' '||last\_name ||' '||'is an employee of our company.' AS  
"Employees" FROM employees ;

17. C. keywords cannot be abbreviated or split across lines

18. B. SELECT DEPARTMENT\_ID, LAST\_NAME, FIRST\_NAME FROM employees;

19. SELECT \* FROM employees;

## **2-2: Limit Rows Selected**

WHERE	Restricts the rows returned by a select statement
Operators	Compares one expression to another value or expression

1. SELECT  
    first\_name,  
    last\_name,  
    address  
FROM  
    customers  
WHERE  
    Customer\_id = 456;
2. SELECT  
    first\_name  
    start\_date,  
    end\_date  
FROM  
    Promotion\_items  
WHERE  
    Item\_name = 'ball pen and highlighter';
3. SELECT  
    'The ' || title || 'recording in our database is ' || title AS "Oldest"  
  
FROM  
    recordings  
WHERE  
    release\_year = 1997;
4. SELECT produce, title  
FROM d\_cds  
WHERE title = 'Carpe Diem';
5. SELECT title, year\_produced  
FROM D\_CDs  
WHERE year\_produced < 2000
6. B. 0-4999
7. SELECT  
    Studentno, fname, name  
FROM  
    Students  
WHERE sex = 'F';
8. SELECT  
    studentno as 'Student Number'  
FROM

```

        students
WHERE
        major = 'PE';

```

```

9. SELECT *
FROM students
WHERE sex = 'M';

```

```

10. SELECT title, year_produced
FROM D_CDs
WHERE year_produced <> 2000;

```

```

11. SELECT *
FROM employees
WHERE
birthdate < TO_DATE('1980-01-01', 'YYYY-MM-DD');

```

### **2-3: Comparison Operators**

ESCAPE	This option identifies that the escape characters should be interpreted literally
IS NULL	Condition tests for null values
BETWEEN	Displays rows based on a range of values
inclusive	Including the specified limits and the area between them; the numbers 1-10, inclusive
LIKE	Selects rows that match a character pattern
IN	Tests for values in a specified list of values

1. SELECT first\_name, last\_name, salary  
FROM global\_fast\_foods\_staff  
WHERE salary BETWEEN 5.00 AND 10.00;
2. SELECT location\_type, comments  
FROM djs\_on\_demand\_venues  
WHERE location\_type = 'private\_home';

3. SELECT first\_name, last\_name  
FROM f\_staffs  
WHERE salary >= 20.00 AND <= 60.00;
4. SELECT cd\_title  
FROM djs\_on\_demand\_cds  
WHERE cd\_title LIKE '\_a%';
5. SELECT partner\_name  
FROM djs\_on\_demand\_partners  
WHERE authorized\_expense IS NULL
6. SELECT last\_name AS "possible\_candidates"  
FROM employees  
WHERE last\_name LIKE '%s';
7. C. WHERE quantity IS NULL;
8. SELECT song\_title  
FROM djs\_on\_demand\_inventory  
WHERE type\_code IN (77, 12, 1);

### **3-1: Logical Comparisons and Precedence Rules**

NOT	Inverts the value of the condition
AND	Both conditions must be true for a record to be selected
Precedence	Rules that determine the order in which expressions are evaluated and calculated
OR	Either condition can be true for a record to be selected

1. The difference is between AND and OR. The first requires both code > 200 is true and the description is one of the specified values. The second will return rows that are either code > 200 or the description matches the values.
2. SELECT last\_name  
FROM employees  
WHERE last\_name LIKE '%e%' AND last\_name LIKE '%i%';
3. SELECT \*

FROM employees  
WHERE salary > 6.50 AND position != 'order\_taker';

4. SELECT last\_name  
FROM employees  
WHERE last\_name LIKE 'D%' AND last\_name LIKE '%a%' AND last\_name  
LIKE '%e%';
5. SELECT location\_type  
FROM djs\_on\_demand\_venues  
WHERE location\_type != 'private\_home'
6. c. NOT, AND, OR
7. SELECT \*  
FROM employees  
WHERE hire\_date > '1998-05-31' AND hire\_date < '1999-06-01' AND  
salary < 8000 AND last\_name LIKE '%en%';
8. SELECT \*  
FROM employees  
WHERE hire date >= '1996-01-01' AND salary >= 9000 AND  
commission IS NULL;

### **3-2 - DB programming with SQL**

ORDER BY ASC	Orders the rows in ascending order (the default order); A-Z
ORDER BY DESC	Orders the rows in descending order: Z-A
ORDER BY	To arrange according to class, kind, or size

1. SELECT employee\_id AS Number  
FROM employees  
ORDER BY Number;
2. SELECT CD\_titles  
FROM DJ\_list  
ORDER BY year;
3. SELECT songs AS 'Our collection'  
FROM DJ\_list  
ORDER BY song\_titles



4. `SELECT * FROM DJ_list  
ORDER BY DJ_id`
5. `SELECT first_name, last_name, student_id,  
parking_place_number  
FROM student_list  
WHERE year = 1  
ORDER BY last_name ASC, first_name DESC;`
6. `SELECT * FROM employees  
WHERE employee_id < 125`

#### Extension activities

1. Limiting values with the WHERE clause is an example of  
E. Selection
2. You want to sort your CD collection by title, and then by artist. This can be accomplished using:  
C. ORDER BY
3. Which of the following are SQL keywords?  
A,B SELECT, FROM
4. Which of the following are true?
  - a. Multiplication and division take priority over addition.
  - b. Operators of the same priority are evaluated from left to the right.
  - c. Parentheses can be used to override the rules of precedence.
5. The following query was written:  
`SELECT DISTINCT last_name  
FROM students`  
c. To select last names without duplicates
6. The following string was created using which SELECT clause?  
Abby Rogers is an order taker for Global Fast Foods  
a. `d. SELECT first_name || ' ' || last_name || ' is an ' || staff_type || ' for Global Fast Foods'`
7. Which of the following SELECT clauses will return uppercase column headings?
8. `d. SELECT id AS ID, last_name AS NAME, address AS ADDRESS, city AS CITY, state AS STATE, zip AS ZIP, phone_number AS PHONE_NUMBER`
9. `b. SELECT last_name FROM employees ORDER BY last_name`
10. `c. Arnie Smithers, administration president, 20000`
11. `SELECT last_name FROM employees  
WHERE last_name LIKE 'St%';`
12.
  - a. Salaries below 1900 (e.g., 1800, 1500)
  - b. 2. Salaries above 2100 (e.g., 2200, 2500)
  - c. 3. Salaries exactly 1900 and exactly 2100 are included
13. Correct each WHERE clause:

- a. WHERE department\_id NOT IN (101, 102, 103);
  - b. WHERE last\_name = 'King'
  - c. WHERE start\_date LIKE '05-May-1998'
  - d. WHERE salary BETWEEN 5000 AND 7000
  - e. WHERE id != 10
14. 625, 902, 410, 499

### **3-3: Introduction to Functions**

1.
  - a. Single
  - b. Multi
  - c. Single
  - d. Multi
  - e. Single
  - f. Single
2.
  - a. AVG – Calculates the average value of all records selected in a query.
  - b. COUNT – This function counts the occurrences of a specific variable, determining how many instances of that variable exist within a table.
  - c. MAX – Identifies the highest value from the records returned in a query.
  - d. MIN – Identifies the lowest value from the records returned in a query.
  - e. SUM – Adds up all the values in a numerical column within a table to find the total.
3.
  - a. SELECT AVG(salary)  
FROM employees;
  - b. SELECT COUNT (salary)  
FROM employees;
  - c. SELECT MAX(salary)  
FROM employees;
  - d. SELECT MIN(salary)  
FROM employees;
  - e. SELECT SUM(salary)  
FROM employees;