
Preface

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Profile**Before You Begin This Course**

Before you begin this course, you should be able to use a graphical user interface (GUI). The prerequisite is a familiarity with data processing concepts and techniques.

How This Course Is Organized

Oracle Database 10g: SQL Fundamentals I is an instructor-led course featuring lectures and hands-on exercises. Online demonstrations and written practice sessions reinforce the concepts and skills that are introduced.

Related Publications**Oracle Publications**

Title	Part Number
<i>Oracle® Database Reference 10g Release 2 (10.2)</i>	B14237-02
<i>Oracle® Database SQL Reference 10g Release 2 (10.2)</i>	B14200-02
<i>Oracle® Database Concepts 10g Release 2 (10.2)</i>	B14220-02
<i>Oracle® Database Application Developer's Guide - Fundamentals 10g Release 2 (10.2)</i>	B14251-01
<i>SQL*Plus® User's Guide and Reference</i>	B14357-01

Additional Publications

- System release bulletins
- Installation and user's guides
- *read.me* files
- International Oracle User's Group (IOUG) articles
- *Oracle Magazine*

Typographic Conventions

The following two lists explain Oracle University typographical conventions for words that appear within regular text or within code samples.

1. Typographic Conventions for Words Within Regular Text

Convention	Object or Term	Example
Courier New	User input; commands; column, table, and schema names; functions; PL/SQL objects; paths	Use the <code>SELECT</code> command to view information stored in the <code>LAST_NAME</code> column of the <code>EMPLOYEES</code> table. Enter <code>300</code> . Log in as <code>scott</code>
Initial cap	Triggers; user interface object names, such as button names	Assign a When-Validate-Item trigger to the ORD block. Click the Cancel button.
Italic	Titles of courses and manuals; emphasized words or phrases; placeholders or variables	For more information on the subject see <i>Oracle SQL Reference</i> <i>Manual</i> Do <i>not</i> save changes to the database. Enter <i>hostname</i> , where <i>hostname</i> is the host on which the password is to be changed.
Quotation marks	Lesson or module titles referenced within a course	This subject is covered in Lesson 3, “Working with Objects.”

Typographic Conventions (continued)

2. Typographic Conventions for Words Within Code Samples

Convention	Object or Term	Example
Uppercase	Commands, functions	SELECT employee_id FROM employees;
Lowercase, italic	Syntax variables	CREATE ROLE <i>role</i> ;
Initial cap	Forms triggers	Form module: ORD Trigger level: S_ITEM.QUANTITY item Trigger name: When-Validate-Item . . .
Lowercase	Column names, table names, filenames, PL/SQL objects	. . . OG_ACTIVATE_LAYER (OG_GET_LAYER ('prod_pie_layer')) . . . SELECT last_name FROM employees;
Bold	Text that must be entered by a user	CREATE USER scott IDENTIFIED BY tiger ;