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## Preface

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## Profile

### Before You Begin This Course

Before you begin this course, you should have working experience with SQL.

### Prerequisites

- ♦ *Oracle Database 10g: SQL Fundamentals I*

### How This Course Is Organized

*Oracle Database 10g: SQL Fundamentals II* 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**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Part Number</b>
<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 <b>scott</b> IDENTIFIED BY <b>tiger</b> ;