

# SELECT within SELECT Tutorial

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This tutorial looks at how we can use SELECT statements within SELECT statements to perform more complex queries.

| name        | continent | area    | population | gdp          |
|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan | Asia      | 652230  | 25500100   | 20343000000  |
| Albania     | Europe    | 28748   | 2831741    | 12960000000  |
| Algeria     | Africa    | 2381741 | 37100000   | 188681000000 |
| Andorra     | Europe    | 468     | 78115      | 3712000000   |
| Angola      | Africa    | 1246700 | 20609294   | 100990000000 |
| ...         |           |         |            |              |

Using nested SELECT

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## Exercises

### Bigger than Russia

1.

List each country name where the population is larger than that of 'Russia'.

world(name, continent, area, population, gdp)

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE population >
(SELECT population FROM world
WHERE name='Russia')
```

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### Correct answer

| name          |
|---------------|
| Bangladesh    |
| Brazil        |
| China         |
| India         |
| Indonesia     |
| Nigeria       |
| Pakistan      |
| United States |

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## Richer than UK

# 2.

Show the countries in Europe with a per capita GDP greater than 'United Kingdom'.

*Per Capita GDP*

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE continent='Europe'
AND gdp/population >
(SELECT gdp/population FROM world
WHERE name = 'United Kingdom')
```

Submit SQL

Restore default

## Correct answer

| name    |
|---------|
| Andorra |
| Austria |
| Belgium |
| Denmark |
| Finland |
| France  |
| Germany |
| Iceland |
| Ireland |

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## Neighbours of Argentina and Australia

### 3.

List the name and continent of countries in the continents containing either Argentina or Australia. Order by name of the country.

```
SELECT name, continent FROM world
WHERE continent='Oceania' OR continent= 'South America'
ORDER BY name ASC
```

Submit SQL

Restore default

### Correct answer

| name      | continent     |
|-----------|---------------|
| Argentina | South America |
| Australia | Oceania       |
| Bolivia   | South America |
| Brazil    | South America |
| Chile     | South America |
| Colombia  | South America |
| Ecuador   | South America |
| Fiji      | Oceania       |
| Guyana    | South America |

## Between Canada and Poland

4.

Which country has a population that is more than Canada but less than Poland? Show the name and the population.

```
SELECT name,population FROM world
WHERE population >
(SELECT population FROM world
WHERE name='Canada') AND
population < (SELECT population FROM world
WHERE name='Poland')
```

Submit SQL

Restore default

## Correct answer

| name  | population |
|-------|------------|
| Iraq  | 36004552   |
| Sudan | 37289406   |

## Percentages of Germany

5.

Germany (population 80 million) has the largest population of the countries in Europe. Austria (population 8.5 million) has 11% of the population of Germany.

Show the name and the population of each country in Europe. Show the population as a percentage of the population of Germany.

### Decimal places

You can use the function ROUND to remove the decimal places.

### Percent symbol %

You can use the function CONCAT to add the percentage symbol.

```
SELECT name, CONCAT(ROUND(ROUND(population/(SELECT population
FROM world WHERE name = 'Germany'), 2)*100,0), '%') FROM world
WHERE continent='Europe'
```

Submit SQL

Restore default

## Correct answer

| name                   | CONCAT(ROUND(.. |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Albania                | 3%              |
| Andorra                | 0%              |
| Austria                | 11%             |
| Belarus                | 12%             |
| Belgium                | 14%             |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | 5%              |
| Bulgaria               | 9%              |
| Croatia                | 5%              |
| Czech Republic         | 13%             |

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To get a well rounded view of the important features of SQL you should move on to the next tutorial concerning aggregates.

To gain an absurdly detailed view of one insignificant feature of the language, read on.

We can use the word ALL to allow >= or > or < or <= to act over a list. For example, you can find the largest country in the world, by population with this query:

```
SELECT name
FROM world
WHERE population >= ALL(SELECT population
                        FROM world
                        WHERE population>0)
```

You need the condition **population>0** in the sub-query as some countries have **null** for population.

## Bigger than every country in Europe

# 6.

Which countries have a GDP greater than every country in Europe? [Give the name only.] (Some countries may have NULL gdp values)

```
SELECT name FROM world
WHERE gdp> ALL(SELECT gdp FROM world WHERE gdp >=0 AND
continent='Europe')
```

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## Correct answer

| name          |
|---------------|
| China         |
| Japan         |
| United States |

We can refer to values in the outer SELECT within the inner SELECT. We can name the tables so that we can tell the difference between the inner and outer versions.

## Largest in each continent

7.

Find the largest country (by area) in each continent, show the continent, the name and the area:

```
SELECT continent, name, area FROM world x
WHERE area >= ALL
  (SELECT area FROM world y
   WHERE y.continent=x.continent
    AND area>0)
```

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The above example is known as a **correlated** or **synchronized** subquery.

*Using correlated subqueries*

### Correct answer

| continent     | name       | area     |
|---------------|------------|----------|
| Africa        | Algeria    | 2381741  |
| Oceania       | Australia  | 7692024  |
| South America | Brazil     | 8515767  |
| North America | Canada     | 9984670  |
| Asia          | China      | 9596961  |
| Caribbean     | Cuba       | 109884   |
| Europe        | Kazakhstan | 2724900  |
| Eurasia       | Russia     | 17125242 |

## First country of each continent (alphabetically)

8.

List each continent and the name of the country that comes first alphabetically.

```
SELECT continent, name
FROM world x
WHERE name <= ALL(SELECT name FROM world y WHERE y.continent =
x.continent)
```

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### Correct answer

| continent     | name                |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Africa        | Algeria             |
| Asia          | Afghanistan         |
| Caribbean     | Antigua and Barbuda |
| Eurasia       | Armenia             |
| Europe        | Albania             |
| North America | Belize              |
| Oceania       | Australia           |
| South America | Argentina           |

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### 9.

Find the continents where all countries have a population <= 25000000. Then find the names of the countries associated with these continents. Show name, continent and population.

```
SELECT name, continent, population
FROM world x
WHERE 25000000 > ALL(SELECT population FROM world y WHERE
x.continent = y.continent AND y.population > 0)
```

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| name                | continent | population |
|---------------------|-----------|------------|
| Antigua and Barbuda | Caribbean | 86295      |
| Australia           | Oceania   | 23545500   |
| Bahamas             | Caribbean | 351461     |
| Barbados            | Caribbean | 285000     |
| Cuba                | Caribbean | 11167325   |
| Dominica            | Caribbean | 71293      |
| Dominican Republic  | Caribbean | 9445281    |
| Fiji                | Oceania   | 858038     |
| Grenada             | Caribbean | 103328     |
| Haiti               | Caribbean | 10413211   |
| Jamaica             | Caribbean | 2717991    |
| Kiribati            | Oceania   | 106461     |

### 10.

Some countries have populations more than three times that of any of their neighbours (in the same continent). Give the countries and continents.

```
SELECT name, continent
FROM world x
WHERE population > ALL(SELECT 3*population FROM world y WHERE
x.continent = y.continent AND y.population > 0 AND y.name !=x.name)
```

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### Correct answer

| name      | continent     |
|-----------|---------------|
| Australia | Oceania       |
| Brazil    | South America |
| Russia    | Eurasia       |

### Nested SELECT Quiz

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