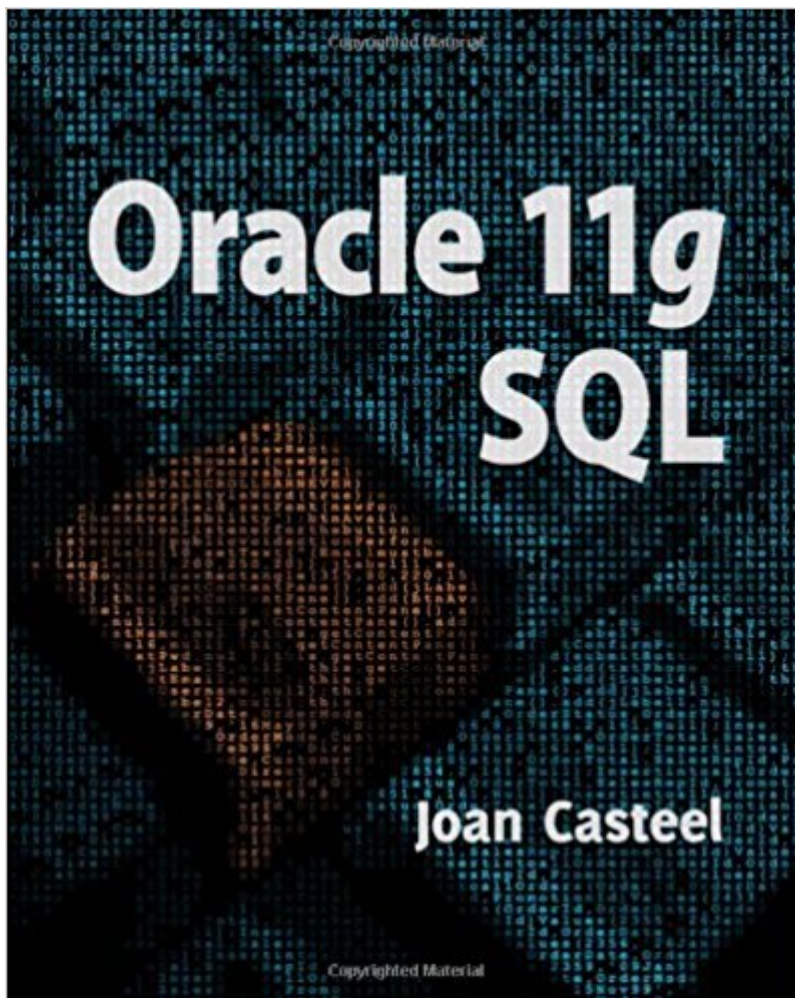


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ORACLE 11G: SQL is not simply a study guide; it is written for individuals who have just a basic knowledge of databases and can be utilized in a course on this latest implementation of SQL from Oracle.

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Joan E. Casteel combines more than 15 years of hands-on experience in application development in various business environments with strong teaching skills to clarify important application and software concepts for today's readers. An award-winning instructor, Ms. Casteel serves as associate professor of information technology and business at Tidewater Community College, where she has been an integral part of the Database Specialist curriculum. She has joined a newly formed team at the college in charge of building a campus ID card program to encompass four campuses, using a recently deployed Oracle-based system. In addition the team is developing new Oracle APEX applications to improve college-wide financial services support. Ms. Casteel has been recognized by her colleagues for her professional accomplishments, including creating an Oracle virtual machine image for students and handling recruitment efforts for database specialist career studies. Ms. Casteel is the author of two successful books on Oracle from Course Technology, part of Cengage Learning, covering SQL and PL/SQL which serve as the introductory course sequence in the college's database career path.

I was dubious about another thick, high cost textbook. I have enough incomprehensible database and SQL books - this text is different - it's so well written, it's understandable, the examples are useful, and the author points out all the little idiosyncrasies that trip up newbies. Highly recommend this book for anyone starting to learn SQL or who had trouble with SQL with another text. The datafiles on the companion website are easy to work with and it's a very practical, hands on text. Well worth the high cost.

This is a good quality text with a case study that goes throughout the book to explain techniques and concepts. Sturdy construction. Easy to read with plenty of examples and study questions. Summary at end of each chapter is useful, as are tables of statements with syntax and examples.

The book is clear and concise and the author explains well each one of the topics although at times I feel there should be at least two examples of something that is explained in a given chapter. Other than this I feel the book is easy to read for anyone whether you are a beginner, like myself, or an intermediate user both can benefit from reading this book. One think though I could never install the software in the companion CD for during the installation I ran into an error and then when trying to use SQL*PLUS I could not log in even though the user name and password were correct.

The book itself was okay. Probably not the best to learn from. But the condition of the book was terrible. The damn thing simply fell apart halfway through the semester. It was horrible. This vendor shouldn't rent books that look like they belong in a refuse pile.

I bought this as a textbook for a Database Programming course. All database concepts are explained concisely and effectively, and there are adequate challenges in the back of the chapters to test your knowledge. No complaints.

I am a computer science student and this was a book for my course. I really enjoyed this book, the subject matter was presented in a conceptual manner with good examples. I have seen other books on the subject of SQL that just give you a bunch of facts and move on to the next subject. This book is not like that it flows though the subject matter and touches every fact completely before transiting to another subject. If you want to learn SQL i believe this book does an excellent job of it.

It's a school book and it serves it's purpose. To say I enjoyed it would be silly.

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