

#270 — Advanced Query



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Tips for Building Complex Queries:

- Get a clear picture of what data is needed and the order that it should be sorted. If this data is a request, getting it in writing can be helpful.
- Identify the tables needed.
- Identify the school (if needed)



 Contemplate whether the query will be easier preceded with a KEEP or SKIP statement.

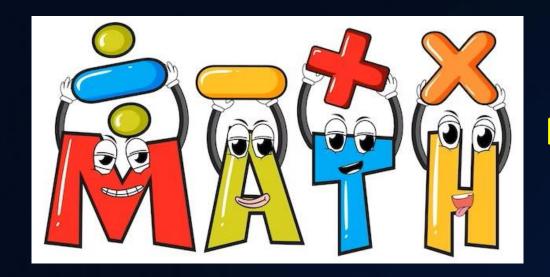


Tips for Building Complex Queries:

- What is the most logical order in which to place the fields?
- How should the data be sorted?

- Do I want to pass the data on to another application?
- Do I need to teach someone else how to do this query? Share the load and make life easier for yourself and more rewarding for others.





Math - Concatenating Fields in a Query

Justin Thyme, Aeries and Network administrator, needs to create a list of student network login usernames based on first initial, last name, last 4 digits of the perm id number. This will be a file that will be used to create Windows Active Directory accounts at the start of a school year for students using a 3rd party software.



Tables and Fields Needed:	STU.LN STU.FN STU.ID
Sorted?	No
Conditional or filter?	No
Extracted to 3rd party?	Yes - first to Excel, then as CSV
Printed?	No



LIST STU LN FN ID

((LEFT(FN,1)

+ LN

+ RIGHT(ID,4)))





Filter or Conditional (IF) statements in a Query

Dinah Mite, Vice Principal, has been asked for a printed list of all students who have Student Flags, grouped by each student.



Tables and Fields Needed:	STU.NM FLG.TC-table code STU.GR FLG.CO-comments STU.ID
Sorted?	STU.NM, ascending
Conditional or filter?	FLG.TC # ""
Extracted to 3rd party?	No
Printed?	Yes, page break on STU.NM



LIST STU FLG
STU.NM STU.GR STU.ID
FLG.TC FLG.CO
BY STU.NM
IF FLG.TC # ""





Using NULL in a Query

Anita Room, Special Education Director, wants a list of all students who have an Active Special Education record along with their teacher name.





Tables and Fields Needed:	STU.NM STU.GR STU.ID TCH.TE-teach	CSE.DI-disability CSE.ED-enter date CSE.XD-exit date er	
Sorted?	STU.NM, ascending		
Conditional ?	CSE.DI > 0 CSE.ED # NUL CSE.XD = NUL		
Extracted to 3rd party?	No		
Printed?	No		



LIST STU IDN CSE TCH
STU.SC STU.ID STU.NM STU.GR

TCH.TE

CSE.DI CSE.ED CSE.XD

IF CSE.DI > 0

AND CSE.ED # NULL

AND CSE.XD = NULL







Dates in a Query

Bennie Factor, the district Language Assessment Coordinator, needs a list of all those students who have taken the CELDT test since July 1, 2017 as well as their overall score, the proficiency level, the raw score and the scale score.



Tables and Fields Needed:	STU.NM STU.GR STU.ID (proficiency)	TST.ID-test ID TST.PT-test part TST.OT-other TST.RS-raw score TST.SS-scale score
		TST.DT-test date
Sorted?	STU.NM, asce	nding
Conditional ?	TST.ID = "CELITST.PT = 0 TST.TD > 07/0	
Extracted to 3rd party?	No	
Printed?	No	



LIST STU TST
STU.NM STU.GR STU.ID
TST.ID TST.PT TST.OT TST.RS TST.SS TST.TD

IF TST.ID = "CELDT"

AND TST.PT = 0

AND TST.TD > 07/01/2017







Sorting - Ascending and Descending

Sandy Beech, Assistant Superintendent, wants a list of all students who has an Assertive Discipline (ADS) record, sorted by 6th graders first and grouped by Gender.



Tables and Fields Needed:	STU.NM code	ADS.CD-discipline
	STU.GR STU.ID	DSP.CD-disposition
	STU.GN	
Sorted?	STU.GR, descending STU.GN, ascending	
Conditional ?	ADS.CD # " "	
Extracted to 3rd party?	No	
Printed?	No	





LIST STU ADS DSP

STU.SN STU.NM STU.GR STU.GN

ADS.CD ADS.CD?

DSP.DS?

BY STU.GR ^ STU.GN

IF ADS.CD # " "





Change Command

Hedda Hare, Testing Coordinator, needs a query for pre-ID that will populate all students Testing Group Name (SSD.TGN) to be the same as their Teacher Name.



Tables and Fields Needed:	STU SSD
	SSD.TGN-testing group name STU.CU-teacher name
Sorted?	No
Conditional ?	No
Extracted to 3rd party?	No
Printed?	No







Preliminary query: Verify existing data
LIST STU TCH SSD
TCH.TE



CHANGE STU SSD SSD.TGN TO TCH.TE

SSD.TGN



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** Advanced - Extended Fields

** Extended field data generated by Aeries Analytics process nightly **

LIST STU CSE TCH
STU.SC STU.ID STU.NM STU.GR
TCH.TE

CSE.DI CSE.ED CSE.XD SPECIALED

IF SPECIALED = YES



Extended Fields Examples

TOTAL STU 504_PLAN BY 504_PLAN

SKIP STU IF SPECIALED = "YES"

LIST STU ID NM GR SBAC_ELA IF SBAC_ELA < 4

LIST STU ID LN FN GR PRIMARYTEACHERID PRIMARYTEACHERNAME PRIMARYCOURSEID



Extended Fields Config

- Analytics LCAP generated fields (free)
- Analytics Local (Non-LCAP) generated fields (with purchase of Analytics)

Update Exte	Update Extended Query Column Titles				☆	
Analysis Items	Analysis Items					
	Query Column Title	Title	Short Title	System	Item Type	
T				•	•	
		Fitness Test Status Gr 9: Abdominal Strength	PFT9 AbStr	NON-LCAP	Field Value	
		ADS - Total Violations	ADS1	NON-LCAP	ADS Violation Count	
		ADS - Days of Suspension	ADS2	NON-LCAP	Disposition Days	
		SBAC ELA Most Recent	SBAC ELA	NON-LCAP	TST	
		SBAC Math Most Recent	SBAC Math	NON-LCAP	TST	
		SBAC Reading Claim	SB Reading	NON-LCAP	CST	
		SBAC Writing Claim	SB Writing	NON-LCAP	CST	
		SBAC Listening Claim	SB Listen	NON-LCAP	CST	
		SBAC Research Claim	SB Resrch	NON-LCAP	CST	
		SBAC Concepts Claim	SB Concept	NON-LCAP	CST	
		SBAC Problem Solving	SB ProbSlv	NON-LCAP	CST	
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KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Concatenation adding fields together
- Using the Database Definitions page
- Using Dates in a query
- Multi-level sorting in a query
- Using the Change command
- Using Extended Fields in a query







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