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1. Which SQL feature controls what kind of data can be stored in a table?

- a. Constraints
- b. Variables
- c. Functions
- d. Procedures

**Answer: a. Constraints**

**Explanation:** Constraints are rules applied to table columns to ensure accuracy, consistency, and data integrity. They help prevent invalid or unwanted data entry.

2. What does a NULL value represent in SQL?

- a. No value
- b. Zero
- c. Space
- d. Error

**Answer: a. No value**

**Explanation:** A NULL means the field is empty and has no value; it is different from zero or spaces.

3. Which integrity rule ensures no duplicate rows in a table?

- a. Domain Integrity
- b. Entity Integrity
- c. Referential Integrity
- d. User-Defined Integrity

**Answer: b. Entity Integrity**

**Explanation:** Entity integrity ensures that every row in a table is unique, often using a primary key.



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4. Which integrity type controls the type, format, or range of column values?

- a. Domain Integrity
- b. Referential Integrity
- c. Entity Integrity
- d. User Integrity

**Answer: a. Domain Integrity**

**Explanation:** Domain integrity validates that values in a column meet defined type, format, or range rules.

5. Which integrity type prevents deleting rows used by other records?

- a. Entity Integrity
- b. Domain Integrity
- c. Referential Integrity
- d. Custom Integrity

**Answer: c. Referential Integrity**

**Explanation:** Referential integrity maintains links between tables, preventing deletion that breaks relationships.

6. Which constraint uniquely identifies each row and cannot be NULL?

- a. FOREIGN KEY
- b. UNIQUE
- c. CHECK
- d. PRIMARY KEY

**Answer: d. PRIMARY KEY**

**Explanation:** A primary key uniquely identifies each record and automatically enforces NOT NULL.



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7. What is used to link a column in one table to a primary key in another table?

- a. FOREIGN KEY
- b. PRIMARY KEY
- c. DEFAULT
- d. AUTO\_INCREMENT

**Answer: a. FOREIGN KEY**

**Explanation:** A foreign key enforces relationships by referencing a primary key in another table.

8. Which constraint ensures a column always has a value?

- a. NOT NULL
- b. UNIQUE
- c. CHECK
- d. DEFAULT

**Answer: a. NOT NULL**

**Explanation:** NOT NULL prevents a column from being left empty during insert or update.

9. Which constraint ensures all column values are different?

- a. UNIQUE
- b. PRIMARY KEY
- c. CHECK
- d. AUTO\_INCREMENT

**Answer: a. UNIQUE**

**Explanation:** UNIQUE ensures no two rows have the same value in the specified column.



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10. Which constraint sets a value if none is provided during insert?

- a. UNIQUE
- b. DEFAULT
- c. CHECK
- d. NOT NULL

**Answer: b. DEFAULT**

**Explanation:** DEFAULT assigns a preset value when no explicit value is provided during insertion.

11. Which constraint limits inserted values based on a condition?

- a. UNIQUE
- b. CHECK
- c. PRIMARY KEY
- d. AUTO\_INCREMENT

**Answer: b. CHECK**

**Explanation:** CHECK enforces that column values satisfy a specified condition.

12. Which constraint generates a unique number for each new row?

- a. DEFAULT
- b. CHECK
- c. UNIQUE
- d. AUTO\_INCREMENT

**Answer: d. AUTO\_INCREMENT**

**Explanation:** AUTO\_INCREMENT automatically generates sequential numbers, usually for primary keys.



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13. Which SQL command adds a primary key to an existing table?

- a. CREATE TABLE PRIMARY KEY
- b. ADD CONSTRAINT PRIMARY KEY
- c. ALTER TABLE ADD PRIMARY KEY
- d. MODIFY PRIMARY KEY

**Answer: c. ALTER TABLE ADD PRIMARY KEY**

**Explanation:** The ALTER TABLE command adds a primary key to an existing table's column(s).

14. How many primary keys can a table have?

- a. One
- b. Two
- c. Unlimited
- d. Depends on rows

**Answer: a. One**

**Explanation:** A table can only have one primary key, but it can be composed of multiple columns.

15. What is a composite primary key?

- a. Primary key with multiple columns
- b. Primary key with NULL
- c. Primary key with same name
- d. Duplicate key

**Answer: a. Primary key with multiple columns**

**Explanation:** Composite primary keys use a combination of columns to uniquely identify each row.



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16. Which command removes a primary key from a table?

- a. DELETE PRIMARY KEY
- b. ALTER TABLE DROP PRIMARY KEY
- c. REMOVE PRIMARY KEY
- d. DROP INDEX

**Answer: b. ALTER TABLE DROP PRIMARY KEY**

**Explanation:** ALTER TABLE DROP PRIMARY KEY deletes the existing primary key from the table.

17. Why name a constraint in SQL?

- a. Easier to modify or drop
- b. Faster query execution
- c. Increases storage
- d. Prevents NULL

**Answer: a. Easier to modify or drop**

**Explanation:** Naming constraints makes them easier to reference, manage, and debug later.

18. What must be known before dropping a foreign key?

- a. Its column name
- b. Its table size
- c. Its constraint name
- d. Its data type

**Answer: c. Its constraint name**

**Explanation:** The foreign key's constraint name is required to drop it from the table.



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19. Which constraint allows NULL values but only one NULL per column?

- a. PRIMARY KEY
- b. UNIQUE
- c. CHECK
- d. NOT NULL

**Answer: b. UNIQUE**

**Explanation:** UNIQUE permits one NULL value but ensures all other entries are distinct.

20. How are UNIQUE constraints stored internally?

- a. As indexes
- b. As triggers
- c. As tables
- d. As keys

**Answer: a. As indexes**

**Explanation:** UNIQUE constraints are implemented as indexes, enabling quick uniqueness checks.

21. Which SQL statement drops a UNIQUE constraint?

- a. DROP UNIQUE
- b. DROP INDEX
- c. ALTER TABLE DROP UNIQUE
- d. REMOVE UNIQUE

**Answer: b. DROP INDEX**

**Explanation:** Since UNIQUE is an index, the DROP INDEX command removes it.



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22. Which command sets a column's default value in an existing table?

- a. ALTER TABLE ALTER column\_name SET DEFAULT value
- b. CREATE DEFAULT value
- c. MODIFY DEFAULT value
- d. UPDATE DEFAULT value

**Answer: a. ALTER TABLE ALTER column\_name SET DEFAULT value**

**Explanation:** This ALTER TABLE syntax adds or changes a default value for an existing column.

23. Which DEFAULT keyword sets the current date?

- a. GETDATE()
- b. CURRENT\_DATE
- c. NOW()
- d. SYSDATE

**Answer: b. CURRENT\_DATE**

**Explanation:** DEFAULT CURRENT\_DATE sets the default column value to the current date.

24. Which constraint ensures a student's age must be at least 18?

- a. CHECK (age >= 18)
- b. UNIQUE (age)
- c. NOT NULL (age)
- d. DEFAULT 18

**Answer: a. CHECK (age >= 18)**

**Explanation:** CHECK enforces the age condition, rejecting rows where age is less than 18.





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25. What happens if a CHECK constraint fails during insert?

- a. Warning
- b. Error
- c. Auto-correct
- d. Nullify

**Answer: b. Error**

**Explanation:** A failed CHECK constraint triggers an error, preventing the invalid data insert.

26. Which command removes a CHECK constraint by name?

- a. ALTER TABLE DROP CHECK name
- b. DROP CHECK name
- c. DELETE CHECK name
- d. REMOVE CHECK name

**Answer: a. ALTER TABLE DROP CHECK name**

**Explanation:** This command deletes the named CHECK constraint from the table.

27. What does MySQL do if a CHECK constraint is unnamed?

- a. Auto-generates a name
- b. Ignores it
- c. Drops it
- d. Disables it

**Answer: a. Auto-generates a name**

**Explanation:** MySQL creates a system-generated name like chk\_1 if none is specified.



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28. Which advantage comes from naming a CHECK constraint?

- a. Clearer error messages
- b. Faster queries
- c. Smaller tables
- d. More storage

**Answer: a. Clearer error messages**

**Explanation:** Named constraints provide meaningful error messages and easier schema management.

29. Which constraint is commonly paired with PRIMARY KEY for IDs?

- a. AUTO\_INCREMENT
- b. CHECK
- c. DEFAULT
- d. NOT NULL

**Answer: a. AUTO\_INCREMENT**

**Explanation:** AUTO\_INCREMENT is often applied to primary key columns to generate IDs automatically.

30. Which type must an AUTO\_INCREMENT column be?

- a. Text
- b. Integer
- c. Date
- d. Float

**Answer: b. Integer**

**Explanation:** AUTO\_INCREMENT works only with integer-based columns.



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31. How many AUTO\_INCREMENT columns are allowed per table?

- a. One
- b. Two
- c. Unlimited
- d. Depends on rows

**Answer: a. One**

**Explanation:** A table can have only one AUTO\_INCREMENT column.

32. Which keyword sets AUTO\_INCREMENT starting point during table creation?

- a. AUTO\_INCREMENT = value
- b. START = value
- c. BEGIN = value
- d. RESET = value

**Answer: a. AUTO\_INCREMENT = value**

**Explanation:** This sets the starting value for automatically generated numbers.

33. What happens if a manual value is inserted into an AUTO\_INCREMENT column?

- a. Sequence restarts
- b. Sequence continues from highest value
- c. Sequence breaks
- d. Sequence stops

**Answer: b. Sequence continues from highest value**

**Explanation:** The next generated value will be higher than the manually inserted one.



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34. Which constraint prevents leaving a mandatory field blank?

- a. NOT NULL
- b. DEFAULT
- c. UNIQUE
- d. CHECK

**Answer: a. NOT NULL**

**Explanation:** NOT NULL enforces that the field must be filled during data entry.

35. Which constraint can be composite like a primary key?

- a. UNIQUE
- b. NOT NULL
- c. CHECK
- d. DEFAULT

**Answer: a. UNIQUE**

**Explanation:** UNIQUE can also be applied to multiple columns as a composite key.

36. Which constraint enforces allowed values without linking to another table?

- a. FOREIGN KEY
- b. CHECK
- c. PRIMARY KEY
- d. AUTO\_INCREMENT

**Answer: b. CHECK**

**Explanation:** CHECK validates values based on conditions without needing relationships.

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37. Which constraint can be set using CURRENT\_TIMESTAMP as default?

- a. DEFAULT
- b. UNIQUE
- c. NOT NULL
- d. AUTO\_INCREMENT

**Answer: a. DEFAULT**

**Explanation:** DEFAULT can use expressions like CURRENT\_TIMESTAMP for automatic time-stamping.

38. Which constraint is automatically applied to all PRIMARY KEY columns?

- a. NOT NULL
- b. DEFAULT
- c. CHECK
- d. UNIQUE

**Answer: a. NOT NULL**

**Explanation:** PRIMARY KEY columns cannot be NULL, and this is enforced automatically.

39. What must exist in the parent table for a foreign key insert to succeed?

- a. Matching unique value
- b. Matching primary key value
- c. Matching default value
- d. Matching check condition

**Answer: b. Matching primary key value**

**Explanation:** Foreign keys require that the inserted value exists in the referenced parent key.