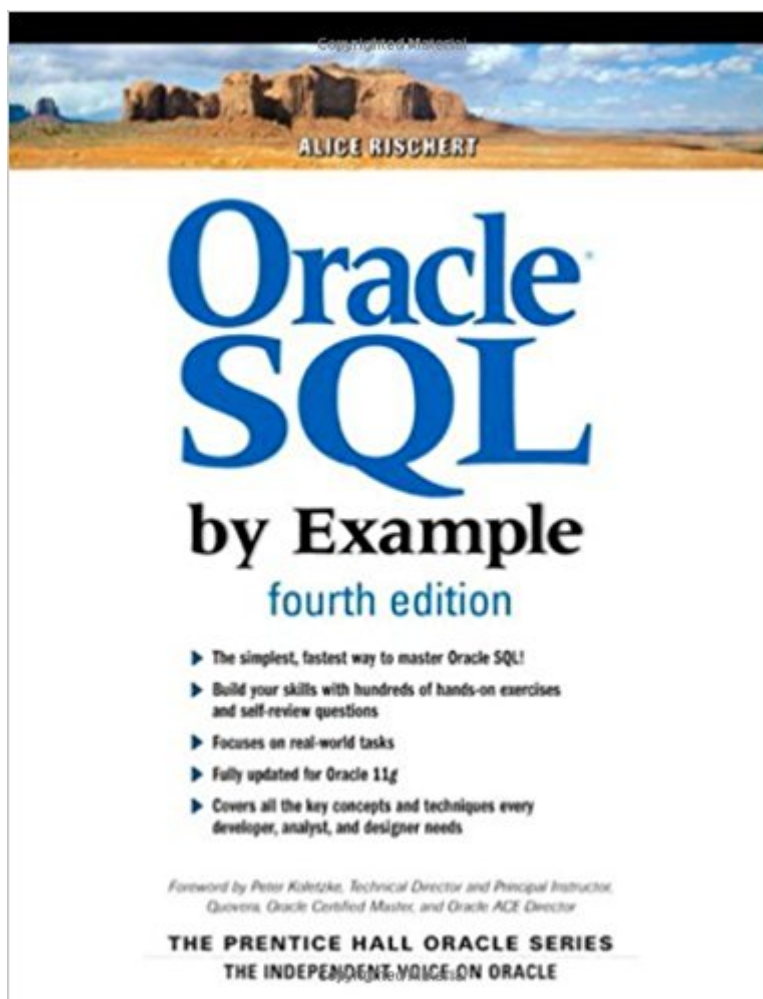


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security, and architectural solutions. Avoid common pitfalls and understand and solve common mistakes. For every database developer, administrator, designer, or architect, "regardless of experience!"

Alice Rischert, formerly chair of Columbia University's Database Application Development and Design program, has taught classes in Oracle SQL, PL/SQL, and database design to hundreds of students. Ms. Rischert's wide-ranging technology experience encompasses systems integration, database architecture, and project management for a number of companies in the United States, Europe, and Asia. Ms. Rischert has presented on SQL and PL/SQL topics at Oracle conferences and has worked with Oracle since version 5.

I rarely find a technical book that has just everything I would want.. this one has it, and more. It's "hands on" and example based, but the theory is clearly and orderly introduced. Presentation style is neither boring nor distracting. The author's tech skills are awe inspiring but she still manages to write excellent material for beginners. She really cares to teach, not to show off her skills and knowledge...So if you really want to learn SQL, want to do it with no pain, lots and lots of practical examples and \*solved exercises\*, and also get some practice with one of the most used database platforms available.. well this is the book you want. Do yourself a favour and start here. You might want to check out also: Beginning Oracle SQL especially if you would like to read something a little more "compact" and "theory oriented" that still has solved exercises.. but I really think that when it comes to learning SQL nothing is more valuable than lots and lots of practice and examples.. my advice is read them both, you won't regret it. The only reproach I can make to the author is that she still has not written an intermediate level text as a follow up of this awesome text!

I registered a SQL class at my local community college. The textbook recommended by the college was over \$200 and had a one and half star review. I decided to use this book for my SQL class. The teacher told me that without any IT background and without using the school's textbook I wouldn't be able to make it through the class. I not only made it through, but also got 4.0 for the class with skipping half of the classes. I relied on this book and self-study.

Thank you Ms Rischert! I am an onsite "systems specialist" for a healthcare application software, managing users, table changes etc. I have a degree in Biology and no prior experience coding, or writing queries. Knowing that there was much information in our system to obtain (the application

had basic canned queries only) my assignment was figure it out (with the goal of writing Crystal Reports). Since I had my own giant DB to query I didn't use student schema provided by the website. Within a couple days I was querying the system DB successfully (3 table joins) and am now developing Crystal Reports. Without this book and its wonderful instruction on using SQL Developer, I would have been lost! Thanks for a wonderful text! I will refer to it often!

Easy to read, teaches with and by the SQL code. Plenty of useful example code and practice questions with fully explained answers. The author knows SQL and knows how to teach SQL. Really great tutorial and reference book.

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