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FIRST OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER	
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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer ALL the questions on the answer scripts.
2. Write clearly and neatly.
3. Number the answers clearly.
4. When answering questions you should be guided by the allocation of marks in []. Do not give too few or too many facts in your answers.

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS

1. Non-programmable calculator.

Section A (Multiple Choice)

[20 marks]

1. What is **TRUE** about a table space?
 - A. It cannot be assigned to more than one user
 - B. It can have more than one data file
 - C. It can only have one data file
 - D. It is related to a schema
 - E. It cannot be dictionary managed

2. A table has ... (Choose two)
 - A. An Extent
 - B. A User
 - C. A definition in the catalog
 - D. A segment of a tablespace
 - E. A pluggable database

3. Oracle Database Startup
 - A. Is one continuous process that cannot be interrupted
 - B. Proceeds in 3 phases, can be stopped after each phase
 - C. Uses the REDO log files to find the data files for the DB on disk
 - D. Uses all available memory of the server
 - E. Connects all Oracle clients that run SQL*Plus

4. A Tablespace can be declared as ... (Choose two)
 - A. Unusable
 - B. Temporary
 - C. Log file
 - D. Data file
 - E. Undo

5. A view cannot be used for
 - A. Retrieving data from a database in a user-friendly format
 - B. Presenting data from a table join as if it was one table
 - C. Updating two or more related tables
 - D. Inspecting the indexes for a table
 - E. Updating one table

6. A User can ... (Choose two)
 - A. Be assigned multiple roles
 - B. Have multiple schemas
 - C. Have the privilege to access one or more table spaces
 - D. Have an authentication method that does not require a password
 - E. Have multiple concurrent sessions

7. A database is a collection of logical structures of data, or schema objects
 - A. True
 - B. False

8. Roles do include ... (Choose three)
 - A. Object privileges
 - B. Authentication to query the catalog
 - C. Resource Quota
 - D. System privileges
 - E. Other roles

9. The _____ records all changes made to data
 - A. Redo log
 - B. Archive log
 - C. Both a and b
 - D. Data file

10. What is needed to insure that data, which logically belong together, are correctly stored on the database, before a shutdown occurs
- A. Shutdown transactional
 - B. Shutdown immediate
 - C. Shutdown abort
 - D. A onscreen message to all users to save their data
 - E. Nothing special
11. When an Oracle database is created, which user is automatically created and granted the DBA role
- A. SYS
 - B. SYSTEM
 - C. SGA
 - D. Both a and b
12. Which of the following rule below is FALSE for a database object?
- A. Has a unique name within that schema
 - B. Object names cannot be longer than 30 bytes
 - C. Must begin with a letter
 - D. None of the above
13. Creating an Account does not require
- A. A unique userid
 - B. A list of tables to be accessed
 - C. A user profile
 - D. An authentication method
 - E. One or more tablespaces to be used

14. The Enterprise Manager
- A. Is always available when the database is started
 - B. Is a separate service running under the OS
 - C. When it is stopped, the database will automatically shut down
 - D. Is a project management tool
 - E. Is required to run database applications
15. To make a client – server connection the following are required in the client’s NET configuration file EXCEPT.
- A. Host name
 - B. Port number
 - C. Protocol
 - D. Service name
 - E. Host login credentials

Section B (Structured Questions)

[55 marks]

Question 1

Describe what each of the following is used for in Database Administration: [10]

- i. tnsnames.ora file
- ii. Segment
- iii. Listener
- iv. Trigger
- v. View

Question 2

a. Identify which ones for the following database object names are valid and which are invalid. Give reasons for your choice for invalidity. [8]

- i. "DBA Second Semester"
- ii. Two_BrothersDB
- iii. First_1st_national_DB_4_NUST_Sem2
- iv. session
- v. 2yeni_DB

b. In a Database what is an SID and Database Global Name. Give an example of each.

[2]

c. Differentiate the following backup types:

[5]

- i. Full backup
- ii. Incremental backup
- iii. Differential backup

Question 3

Outline the 2 challenges and 3 opportunities presented *to database administration* by **current** technological changes. [10]

Question 4

Outline five benefit of using a multitenant container database that uses multiple pluggable databases. [10]

Question 5

In the process of managing a database, there are a number of management tools that enable the DBA to interact with and manage the database. Amongst these are the Enterprise Manager which works mostly with wizards and SQL*Plus which uses the Command line .

As a DBA compare the two interfaces mentioned above in terms of their benefits and limitations in the database administration field. [10]

Section C (SQL Commands)

[25 marks]

Question 1

Describe what each of the following SQL commands achieve? [10]

- i. CONNECT Munya/Ruv@123 @nustpdb
- ii. ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER = yournamepdb
- iii. SELECT name FROM v\$database
- iv. SELECT name, space_limit FROM v\$recovery_file_dest;
- v. SELECT log_mode FROM v\$database;

Question 2

- a. Write SQL commands to create a table called **Salary_Information** in the **SYSTEM** schema to store information from a file called **Salary_info.csv** that contains information shown in Figure 1. The columns used are **First_name**, **Surname** and **Salary**. [4]

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RACHEL, SHIMENE, 13500
RUBEN, NGHIPULWA, 13500
ABEL TANGENI, NGULA, 12350
IMMANUEL, GAWISES, 12350
ANDREW SHUUVENI, MATEUS, 15060
BERTHA, ANDREAS, 13500
OBERT FENNI, MARTINS, 12350
MATHEW, ITHINDI, 13500
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Figure 1

- b. Create a suitable control file in the folder **C:\Export** called **Salary_Info.ctl** to be used by the SQL Loader for import the contents of the file **Salary_info.csv** into the table **Salary_Information**. [8]
- c. Write the **sqlldr** command that will be used to load the data in **Figure 1** into the table **Salary_information** in the **SYSTEM** schema. Assume the password for the **SYSTEM** user is **Easy!Exam**. [3]

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