

## Oracle Db Pocket Guide Pocket Reference

Oracle RMAN Pocket Reference is a handy guide for DBAs who intend to use Oracle Recovery Manager for database backup and recovery. Because Recovery Manager (RMAN) is a relatively new tool, many DBAs are just becoming familiar with it. They will welcome a timely book that explains clearly and concisely how to use RMAN for common backup and recovery tasks that are infrequent, yet extremely vital. The first portion of the book is primarily task-oriented. After a short section on RMAN architecture, the book shows (in checklist style) how to perform common backup and recovery tasks such as: Implementing a recovery catalog Creating and running RMAN scripts Configuring input/output channels Taking a full database backup Backing up tablespaces and datafiles Taking incremental backups Recovering lost datafiles The second portion of the book consists of a handy syntax reference to the many RMAN commands. Having a quick reference to RMAN commands is a great convenience to DBAs who otherwise, often under the pressure of a recovery situation, would have to wade through Oracle's online documentation.

Be more productive and make your life easier. That's what LDAP System Administration is all about. System administrators often spend a great deal of time managing configuration information located on many different machines: usernames, passwords, printer configurations, email client configurations, and network filesystem configurations, to name a few. LDAPv3 provides tools for centralizing all of the configuration information and placing it under your control. Rather than maintaining several administrative databases (NIS, Active Directory, Samba, and NFS configuration files), you can make changes in only one place and have all your systems immediately "see" the updated information. Practically platform independent, this book uses the widely available, open source OpenLDAP 2 directory server as a premise for examples, showing you how to use it to help you manage your configuration information effectively and securely. OpenLDAP 2 ships with most Linux® distributions and Mac OS® X, and can be easily downloaded for most Unix-based systems. After introducing the workings of a directory service and the LDAP protocol, all aspects of building and installing OpenLDAP, plus key ancillary packages like SASL and OpenSSL, this book discusses: Configuration and access control Distributed directories; replication and referral Using OpenLDAP to replace NIS Using OpenLDAP to manage email configurations Using LDAP for abstraction with FTP and HTTP servers, Samba, and Radius Interoperating with different LDAP servers, including Active Directory Programming using Net::LDAP If you want to be a master of your domain, LDAP System Administration will help you get up and running quickly regardless of which LDAP version you use. After reading this book, even with no previous LDAP experience, you'll be able to integrate a directory server into essential network services such as mail, DNS, HTTP, and SMB/CIFS.

PL/SQL, Oracle's powerful procedural language, has been the cornerstone of Oracle application development for nearly 15 years. Although primarily a tool for developers, PL/SQL has also become an essential tool for database administration, as DBAs take increasing responsibility for site performance and as the lines between developers and DBAs blur. Until now, there has not been a book focused squarely on the language topics of special concern to DBAs Oracle PL/SQL for DBAs fills the gap. Covering the

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latest Oracle version, Oracle Database 10g Release 2 and packed with code and usage examples, it contains: A quick tour of the PL/SQL language, providing enough basic information about language fundamentals to get DBAs up and running Extensive coverage of security topics for DBAs: Encryption (including both traditional methods and Oracle's new Transparent Data Encryption, TDE); Row-Level Security(RLS), Fine-Grained Auditing (FGA); and random value generation Methods for DBAs to improve query and database performance with cursors and table functions Coverage of Oracle scheduling, which allows jobs such as database monitoring and statistics gathering to be scheduled for regular execution Using Oracle's built-in packages (DBMS\_CRYPTO, DBMS\_RLS, DBMS\_FGA, DBMS\_RANDOM, DBMS\_SCHEDULING) as a base, the book describes ways of building on top of these packages to suit particular organizational needs. Authors are Arup Nanda, Oracle Magazine 2003 DBA of the Year, and Steven Feuerstein, the world's foremost PL/SQL expert and coauthor of the classic reference, Oracle PL/SQL Programming. DBAs who have not yet discovered how helpful PL/SQL can be will find this book a superb introduction to the language and its special database administration features. Even if you have used PL/SQL for years, you'll find the detailed coverage in this book to be an invaluable resource.

This pocket guide presents the most crucial information about SQL in a compact and easily accessible format, covering the four commonly used SQL variants--Oracle, IBM DB2, Microsoft SQL Server, and MySQL. Topics include: Data manipulation statements (SELECT, DELETE, INSERT, UPDATE, MERGE) and transaction control statements (START TRANSACTION, SAVEPOINT, COMMIT, ROLLBACK). Common SQL functions (date, numeric, math, trigonometric, string, conversion, aggregate) Such topics as literals, NULLs, CASE expressions, datatype conversion, regular expressions, grouping and summarizing data, joining tables, and writing queries (hierarchical, recursive, union, flashback) and subqueries. Instead of presenting complex and confusing syntax diagrams, the book teaches by example, showing the SQL statements and options that readers are most likely to use. All example data is available on the O'Reilly web site. "If you need fast, accurate SQL information, with examples for multiple database engines, be sure to check out this book."--Chris Kempster, Senior DBA and author of SQL Server 2000 for the Oracle DBA, [www.chriskempster.com](http://www.chriskempster.com)

Explores the interactive environment used for Oracle development and administration, covering topics including features, menus, defaults, shortcut keys, and SQL tuning.

The fourth edition of this popular pocket guide provides quick-reference information that will help you use Oracle's PL/SQL language, including the newest Oracle Database 11g features. It's a companion to Steven Feuerstein and Bill Pribyl's bestselling Oracle PL/SQL Programming. This concise guide boils down the most vital PL/SQL information into an accessible summary of: Fundamental language elements (e.g., block structure, datatypes, declarations) Statements for program control, cursor management, and exception handling Records, procedures, functions, triggers, and packages Calling PL/SQL functions in SQL Compilation options, object-oriented features, collections, and Java integration The new edition describes such Oracle Database 11g elements as PL/SQL's function result cache, compound triggers, the CONTINUE statement, the SIMPLE\_INTEGER datatype,

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and improvements to native compilation, regular expressions, and compiler optimization (including intra-unit inlining). In addition, this book now includes substantial new sections on Oracle's built-in functions and packages. When you need answers quickly, the Oracle PL/SQL Language Pocket Reference will save you hours of frustration.

Bert Scalzo and Dan Hotka have written the definitive, up-to-date guide to Version 12.x, Dell's powerful new release of Toad for Oracle. Packed with step-by-step recipes, detailed screen shots, and hands-on exercises, Toad for Oracle Unleashed shows both developers and DBAs how to maximize their productivity. Drawing on their unsurpassed experience running Toad in production Oracle environments, Scalzo and Hotka thoroughly cover every area of Toad's functionality. You'll find practical insights into each of Toad's most useful tools, from App Designer to Doc Generator, ER Diagrammer to Code Road Map. The authors offer proven solutions you can apply immediately to solve a wide variety of problems, from maintaining code integrity to automating performance and scalability testing. Learn how to... Install and launch Toad, connect to a database, and explore Toad's new features Customize Toad to optimize productivity in your environment Use the Editor Window to execute SQL and PL/SQL, and view, save, or convert data Browse your schema, and create and edit objects Quickly generate useful reports with FastReport and Report Manager Clarify your database's tables and data with the powerful Entity Relationship Diagrammer (ERD) and HTML documentation generator Work more efficiently with PL/SQL using code templates, snippets, and shortcuts Automate actions and applications with Automation Designer Perform key DBA tasks including database health checks, tablespace management, database and schema comparisons, and object rebuilding Identify and optimize poorlyperforming SQL and applications ON THE WEB: Download all examples and source code presented in this book from [informit.com/title/9780134131856](http://informit.com/title/9780134131856) as it becomes available.

A compact reference on Oracle database administration furnishes a series of easy-to-use checklists that summarize the tasks an Oracle database administrator must perform and includes tips on preparing a database for production, installation and configuration, data replication, backup and recovery, and network management. Original. (Intermediate)

Explains what utilities are provided with the Oracle database and how to use them.

Support for regular expressions in SQL and PL/SQL is one of the most exciting features of Oracle Database 10G. Oracle has long supported the ANSI-standard LIKE predicate for rudimentary pattern matching, but regular expressions take pattern matching to a new level. They provide a powerful way to select data that matches a pattern, as well as to manipulate, rearrange, and change that data. This concise pocket guide is part tutorial and part quick-reference. It's suitable for those who have never used regular expressions before, as well as those who have experience with Perl and other languages supporting regular expressions. The book describes Oracle Database 10G's support for regular expressions, including globalization support and differences between Perl's syntax and the POSIX syntax supported by Oracle 10G. It also provides a comprehensive reference, including examples, to all supported regular expression

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operators, functions, and error messages. O'Reilly's Pocket References have become a favorite among developers and database administrators everywhere. By providing a wealth of important details in a concise, well-organized format, these handy books deliver just what you need to complete the task at hand. Whether you're using regular expressions for the first time or applying your skills from other languages to the latest version of Oracle, the Oracle Regular Expressions Pocket Reference is the book to have close by.

The Oracle database is one of the most popular in the world, and for good reason. It's compatible, scalable, portable, and capable of performing incredibly fast. The advantages Oracle holds over its competition come with a price, however--it's a highly complex database that's becoming more complex with every release. And this level of detail, of course, can begin to weigh on database administrators (DBAs).

This quick reference covers database releases Oracle8i, Oracle 9i, and Oracle Database 10g. For each initialization parameter, the book includes a description, valid values, default, and whether it can be changed dynamically. It also describes the initialization file and server parameter file and provides hints for best performance. In addition to listing all parameters alphabetically, the book indicates the categories of parameters often set as a group to control different aspects of the database.

In this book, Oracle experts Darl Kuhn, Sam Alapati, and Arup Nanda show you the power of Recovery Manager, or RMAN, which is Oracle's backup and recovery tool of choice. Oracle RMAN Recipes helps you take advantage of all that RMAN has to offer. This handy guide demystifies the steps required to protect your business data. It provides ready-made and example-based solutions to common (and some not-so-common) backup and recovery operations.

One of the most important challenges faced by Oracle database administrators and Oracle developers is the need to tune SQL statements so that they execute efficiently. Poorly tuned SQL statements are one of the leading causes of substandard database performance and poor response time. SQL statements that perform poorly result in frustration for users, and can even prevent a company from serving its customers in a timely manner. In this book, Mark Gurry shares his in-depth knowledge of Oracle's SQL statement optimizers. Mark's knowledge is the result of many hard-fought tuning battles during his many years of providing Oracle tuning services to clients. Mark provides insights into the workings of the rule-based optimizer that go well beyond what the rules tell you. Mark also provides solutions to many common problems that occur with both the rule-based and cost-based optimizers. In addition to the specific problem/solution scenarios for the optimizers, Mark provides a number of handy SQL tuning tips. He discusses the various optimizer hints, telling you when they can be used to good effect. Finally, Mark discusses the use of the DBMS\_STATS package to manage database statistics, and the use of outlines to specify execution plans for SQL statements in third-party

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applications that you can't otherwise modify.

Oracle DBAs are always trying to solve performance problems and obtain quick summary information from their Oracle databases by querying the Oracle data dictionary and the dynamic performance views. They are looking for information about schema objects (tables, views), database objects (rollback segments, users), and tuning information. This small booklet is a compendium of the most frequently used queries, arranged an easy to carry and use format. Table of contents: 1. The Data Dictionary and How It Works 2. Tuning Queries 3. Operational Queries 4. Database Structure Queries 5. Schema and Database Object Queries 6. Security 7. Multi-Threaded Server 8. Oracle Parallel Server and Parallel Execution

Expert guidance on administering the highly complex Oracle E-Business Suite Time-proven best practices Tried and tested scripts, notes, and references Covers all vital admin tasks, including configuration, monitoring, performance tuning, troubleshooting, and patching

Oracle DBA Checklists Pocket Reference"O'Reilly Media, Inc."

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Oracle's online documentation.

Toad is an enormously popular interactive environment tool for Oracle development and administration. It allows developers to build, test, debug, and format their code via an easy-to-use graphical user interface, available in both freeware and commercial versions. Toad makes developers far more productive; using Toad, you'll find that program changes that once took hours can now be completed in minutes. Toad allows developers to browse their database tables, procedures, and object types; use code templates; and show errors. It also simplifies database administration by providing a way for DBAs to graphically browse and change database characteristics. Updated for Toad Versions 8.0 and 8.5, this pocket book is packed with quick-reference material: Toad feature and menu summaries, shortcut keys, suggested changes to Toad defaults, productivity tips and tricks, and more. The book includes concise discussions of all the basic Toad components: the SQL Editor, Procedure Editor, SQL Modeler, Schema Browser, Project Manager, and Debugger. The second edition includes coverage of new SQL Editor features, improvements in usability, and new tools such as CodeXpert (a robust code analyzer and advisor) and Script Debugger (the only tool available that provides real-time debugging of SQL\*Plus scripts). It also provides helpful hints on using Toad to perform database administration and SQL tuning and optimization. Whether you're a new or experienced Toad user, you'll find this quick reference an indispensable companion to the product and its online help files.

An interactive guide to Oracle's intensive query tool, SQL\* Plus, discusses its powerful features, furnishes a syntax quick reference, and explains how to write and execute script files, generate reports, extract data from the database, utilize new administrative features, query data dictionary tables, and more. Original. (Intermediate)

The Unix for Oracle DBAs Pocket Reference puts within easy reach the commands that Oracle database administrators need most when operating in a Unix environment. If you are an Oracle DBA moving to Unix from another environment such as Windows NT or IBM Mainframe, you know that these commands are far different from those covered in most beginning Unix books. To jump start your learning process, Don Burleson has gathered together in this succinct book the Unix commands he most often uses when managing Oracle databases. You'll be able to reach into your pocket for the answer when you need to know how to: Display all Unix components related to Oracle, identify the top CPU consumers on your server, and even kill processes when necessary Stack Unix commands into powerful scripts that can perform vital DBA functions Monitor Unix filesystems, and automatically manage your trace files, dump files, and archived redo log files Use essential server monitoring commands such as top, sar, and vmstat And there's much more between these covers. If you need to get up to speed with Oracle on Unix, and quickly, this book is for you.

Discusses the command line SQL and PL/SQL language interface and reporting tool, providing information about its syntax and format elements.

If you work with Oracle, then you don't need to be told that the data dictionary is large and complex, and grows larger with each new Oracle release. It's one of the basic elements of the Oracle database you interact with regularly, but the sheer number of tables and views makes it difficult to remember which view you need, much less the name of the specific column. Want to make it simpler? The Oracle Data Dictionary Pocket Reference puts all the information you need right at your fingertips. Its handy and compact format lets you locate the table and view you need effortlessly without stopping to interrupt your work Oracle Data Dictionary Pocket Reference gives DBAs and developers at any level quick and easy access to the data dictionary in Oracle's latest database, Oracle9i. This pocket-sized book provides a complete list of the most commonly used tables and views in the Oracle9i data dictionary, intelligently arranged for quick reference. It also includes column

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names and descriptions for each of the tables and views, as well as helpful tips, warnings, and usage examples. O'Reilly's Pocket References have become a favorite among developers and database administrators everywhere. By providing a wealth of important details in a concise, well-organized format, these handy books deliver just what you need to complete the task at hand. When you've reached a sticking point in your work and want to check your facts quickly, the Oracle Data Dictionary Pocket Reference is the book to have close by.

Successfully meeting the challenges of combining VMware and Oracle, this comprehensive reference provides a broad spectrum of technological recommendations that demonstrate how to reliably and consistently achieve optimal configuration and maximum performance for any virtualized Oracle database scenario. The guide includes the best practices for virtualized servers, suggested virtualization server configuration, and recommendations for client operating system configuration for Oracle in a virtualized world. With real-world examples and highly applicable advice, this handbook also details the complexities of designing, configuring, maintaining, and tuning Oracle database deployments, making it a complete compendium for keeping virtualized Oracle databases in top form.

"Installing, Upgrading and Maintaining Oracle E-Business Suite Applications Release 11.5.10+" is OnCallDBA and Solution Beacon's latest collaboration. Topics include Release 11i Concepts and Architecture, Oracle10g, Installing Release 11i, Upgrading or Migrating to Release 11i, Maintaining Release 11i, Administering Release 11i, Securing Release 11i, Setting Up the Concurrent Manager, Using the Concurrent Manager, Release 11i Reporting, and Tuning and Troubleshooting. Co-authored by Barbara Matthews, John Stouffer, Randy Giefer, Karen Brownfield, Jeff Holt, James Morrow, Bruno Coon, Tim Sharpe and Faun deHenry, this book covers Oracle10g and E-Business Release 11.5.10+

A guide to database benchmarking covers such topics as predictive analysis, benchmark components, testing an architecture, and maintaining SLAs.

This guide contains a wealth of solutions to problems that SQL Server programmers face. The recipes in the book range from those that show how to perform simple tasks to ones that are more complicated.

The Oracle Utilities Pocket Reference is a handy, quick-reference guide to the multitude of Oracle utilities that database administrators (DBAs) use every hour of every day. As the undisputed leader among database products, Oracle is grasped conceptually by most DBAs. However, they understandably may not recall the specific utility to use for a given task, and, more commonly, won't in many cases remember the syntax to use. And that's exactly what the Oracle Utilities Pocket Reference supplies--the syntax and options for whatever utility a DBA needs to perform a given task. Some of the utilities documented in this guide include: SQL\*Loader, for loading data expdp and exp for exporting data to another database oradefault for use in troubleshooting loadjava and dropjava for loading and unloading Java programs Packed with information in an easy-to-read format, this valuable resource is ideal for any experienced DBA. Even database programmers who deal with Oracle will truly appreciate having the Oracle Utilities Pocket Reference close at hand. Authored by Sanjay Mishra, a foremost authority on Oracle systems, this convenient and compact guide is focused and to-the-point, eliminating any potential guesswork or difficult memorization. The Oracle Utilities Pocket Reference is part of the strong-selling collection of O'Reilly "pocket reference" books.

It's simple: you need to know how to work with the bash shell if you want to get to the heart of Mac OS X, Linux, and other Unix systems. Updated for the most recent version of bash, this concise little book puts all of the essential information about bash at your fingertips. You'll quickly find answers to annoying questions that always come up when you're writing shell scripts -- What characters do you need to quote? How do you get variable substitution to do exactly what you want? How do you use arrays? -- and much more. If you're a user or programmer

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of any Unix variant, or if you're using bash on Windows, you'll find this pocket reference indispensable. This book covers: Invoking the Shell Syntax Functions Variables Arithmetic Expressions Command History Programmable Completion Job Control Shell Options Command Execution Coprocesses Restricted Shells Built-in Commands

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Everything a DBA needs to know in one volume--this is the must-have reference for anyone working with the Oracle database, and it's been fully revised and updated for Oracle Database 10g. Co-author Kevin Loney is the all-time, best-selling Oracle Press author.

TOAD® Handbook, Second Edition, is the definitive, completely up-to-date guide to the newest version of TOAD, the world's premier third-party Oracle utility. Packed with step-by-step recipes, screen snapshots, and hands-on exercises, this book brings together everything developers and DBAs need to maximize their productivity with TOAD in both administrative and development tasks. TOAD product architect Bert Scalzo and leading TOAD trainer Dan Hotka thoroughly cover every area of TOAD's functionality, offering practical, proven solutions that can be applied immediately to leverage TOAD's dramatically improved feature set. Comprehensive coverage includes TOAD setup and configuration Browsing databases and schemas Editing SQL and PL/SQL within TOAD Creating new databases Checking database health Performing common DBA tasks Reporting via standard and custom reports Optimizing database performance Throughout the text, the authors offer practical insights into each of TOAD's most useful tools, from App Designer to Doc Generator, ER Diagrammer to Code Road Map. This book is the only current, comprehensive, and affordable guide to the latest version of TOAD—a must-have for any TOAD user.

A complete guide to SQL\*Loader, a utility used to move data from external files into an Oracle database, offers step-by-step instruction in the various applications of SQL\*Loader, providing a task-oriented approach that covers the latest Oracle 8 and Oracle 8i features. Original.

(Beginner/Intermediate)

This pocket reference provides quick-reference information that will help you use Oracle Corporation's extensive set of built-in functions and packages, including those new to Oracle8. Oracle's PL/SQL language is a programming language providing procedural extensions to the SQL relational database language and to an ever-growing number of Oracle development tools. Among the most useful constructs in the PL/SQL language are the built-in functions and packages. Built-in functions are constructs that operate on certain types of data (e.g., numeric, character) to return a result. By using functions, you can minimize the coding you need to do in your programs. Functions are described in detail in Steven Feuerstein's Oracle PL/SQL Programming; this comprehensive guide to building applications with PL/SQL has

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become the bible for PL/SQL developers who have raved about its completeness, readability, and practicality. Built-in functions fall into several major categories: Character functions: Operate on character data. Examples include CONCAT (concatenates two strings into one), LENGTH (returns the length of a string), and REPLACE (replaces a character sequence in a string with a different set of characters). Date functions: Operate on dates and supplement the DATE datatype. Examples include SYSDATE (returns the current date and time in the Oracle Server) and LAST\_DAY (returns the last day in the month of the specified date). Numeric functions: Operate on numeric data. Examples include CEIL (returns the smallest integer greater than or equal to the specified number) and POWER (returns a number raised to a particular power). LOB functions: Operate on large object data. Examples include EMPTY\_BLOB (returns an empty locator of the binary large object type) and EMPTY\_CLOB (returns an empty locator of the character large object type). Conversion functions: Perform explicit conversions of different types of data. Examples include TO\_CHAR (converts a number or date to a string) and TO\_NUMBER (converts a string to a number). Miscellaneous functions. Examples include GREATEST (returns the greatest of the specified list of values) and UID (returns the user ID of the current Oracle session). Built-in packages (collections of PL/SQL objects, such as functions, procedures, and data structures) greatly expand the scope of the PL/SQL language. These packages are described in detail in Feuerstein's and Beresniewicz's book, Oracle Built-in Packages. Built-in packages are built by Oracle Corporation and stored directly in the Oracle database. The functionality of the built-ins is available from any programming environment that can call PL/SQL stored procedures, including Visual Basic, Oracle Developer/2000, Oracle Application Server (for Web-based development), and, of course, the Oracle database itself. Built-in packages extend the capabilities and power of PL/SQL in many significant ways. For example: DBMS\_SQL executes dynamically constructed SQL statements and PL/SQL blocks of code. DBMS\_PIPE communicates between different Oracle sessions through a pipe in the RDBMS shared memory. DBMS\_JOB submits and manages regularly scheduled jobs for execution inside the database. DBMS\_LOB accesses and manipulates Oracle8's large objects (LOBs) from within PL/SQL programs. The book shows how to call all of the commonly used built-in functions and packages. For packages, it also shows the RESTRICT REFERENCES pragmas (needed if you call packages from a SQL statement), as well as the exceptions, constants, and data structures defined in the packages.

This updated study guide for the latest release of the most popular database software in the world—Oracle Database 11g—reviews using the RMAN recovery catalog, handling Flashback technology, managing memory and resources, automating tasks, diagnosing the database, and much more. Plus, more than 100 pages of workbook exercises help prepare you to take the 1Z0-053 exam. Note: CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of eBook file.

Despite the wide use of SQL \*Plus, few developers and database administrators know how powerful it really is. And the syntax can sometimes be tricky. This portable guide provides a quick reference to subjects such as interacting with SQL \*Plus, selecting data, formatting reports, writing scripting, and tuning SQL. There's also a command reference.

The new Oracle Application Server offers a wide range of functionality, including Java runtime and development tools, portal development tools, business intelligence, single sign-on identify management, and much more. It's so powerful and complex, in fact, that many people who use the product (or are considering using it) are familiar with only a portion of the entire range of its capabilities. The choices can be overwhelming. Few people grasp how the larger issues--such as the interplay between components or the various architectural choices in the product--play out in the Oracle Application Server. This new guide provides the perfect introduction to the Oracle Application Server for users of any level. Regardless of which of the server's capabilities you use, you'll benefit from this tightly focused, all-in-one technical overview. It's

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written for anyone who is concerned with using and managing web servers, doing Java development and deployment, using Oracle's own tools--like Forms and Reports, using or developing for Oracle Portal, or those who use and administer business intelligence, mobile or integration software. Divided into three concise sections, the book covers server basics, core components, and server functionality. The book leads with the history of Oracle Application Server, its architecture, management, standards, and third-party support for languages and tools such as Java, Perl, and HTTP. The next section covers Oracle's web server, containers for Java web caching, and the server's security features. And finally, the book discusses HTML development, Java development, and Oracle development. Although the book refers mainly to Oracle Application Server 10g, the authors also describe features in earlier product releases where necessary, particularly Oracle9i Application Server. More comprehensible than a large reference and more detailed than a primer, the book provides a foundation for understanding and using Oracle Application Server effectively and efficiently. Readers concentrate on the most important issues and components of the server, focusing primarily on principles rather than syntax. Designed to be the ideal first OracleAS book, Oracle Application Server 10g Essentials offers Oracle application developers and administrators everything they need to know about this powerful server.

The Oracle SQLPlus Pocket Reference is a must-have for anyone working with Oracle databases, especially those looking to maximize the effectiveness of SQLPlus. As Oracle's long-standing interactive query tool, SQLPlus is available at every Oracle site, from the largest data warehouse to the smallest single-user system. Despite its wide use, however, SQLPlus is still often not completely understood or fully utilized. Database administrators and developers alike will therefore find the Oracle SQLPlus Pocket Reference to be extremely beneficial. In addition to summarizing all of the SQLPlus syntax and format options, including new Oracle Database 10g features, this handy, on-the-job guide specifically shows readers how to: Differentiate between SQL and SQLPlus Interact with SQLPlus from both the command line and the web browser Select, insert, update, and delete data Format both text and HTML reports with SQLPlus Specify SQLPlus commands and format elements Tune SQL queries The new third edition of this book has been updated for Oracle Database 10g to include information on both SQLPlus and SQL. New SQL information includes the SELECT statement's new MODEL clause, flashback queries, partition outer joins, and DBMS\_XPLAN. With its quick-reference format and compact size, the Oracle SQLPlus Pocket Reference follows in the long line of successful "pocket references" offered by O'Reilly. It also serves as the ideal companion to O'Reilly's larger, more comprehensive book on SQLPlus, the bestselling Oracle SQLPlus: The Definitive Guide. Author Jonathan Gennick is an editor for O'Reilly specializing in database and programming titles, having amassed some 17 years of programming and database management experience.

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