

Re: SQL Query Quandry

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thanks Chris

Chris Hohmann <nospam@thankyou.com> wrote in message
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news:4082d9f1_3@127.0.0.1...

> *Dear Chris*

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> *I don't know how the hell you could make something out of my ramblings
and I*

> *did doubt it when I put it through Query Analyser, but it is
absolutely spot*

> *on when put through a Pivot Table!!!*

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> *This union thing is completely different to what I expected.*

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> *How the hell do you guys do it???*

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> *I've got 2 SQL books (1 called Sams 24 hour SQL and the other 'the
Practical*

> *SQL handbook') and neither gives me any clue on how to do the things
that*

> *you guys know. Its so frustrating!!*

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> *Do you know of a place/site that will explain this sort of thing to me
in a*

> *'I'm thick - help me' sort of way??*

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> *Many thanks all the same.*

Most of what I know (which believe it or not is very little) comes from
fields combat/trial by fire. Joe Celko's insights in relational
databases are pretty amazing. I frequently filter my google group
searches with him as the author when I want the "definitive" answer to
something. His book "SQL for Smarties" is also a must have. And, as
always this newsgroup can be an excellent resource for your ASP/DB
related questions. There's no real black magic in the query I provided.

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I simply added a dummy/filler set of data to create all the rows/columns needed. That's what the second query is. Omitting the WHERE/JOIN clause creates a Cartesian product, i.e. every sales person matched up with every stock category.

HTH

-Chris Hohmann