

# Re: SQL 2005 Cluster Setup

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Hi,

I am looking at the load balancing story (Oracle RAC has that). I need to be clear on this issue as I am going against Oracle RAC on this scale-out/scale-up story line. Thanks.

Regards,  
Kueh.

"Jasper Smith" wrote:

No (to the load balancing bit). SQL Server supports the idea of shared readonly databases (<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=910378>) however I'm guessing you mean something more like what Oracle offer with RAC? You can of course implement it yourself (possibly using peer to peer replication) but clustering in SQL Server is purely for availability and not for load balancing

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HTH,  
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Dear all,

I would like to ask a seemly trivial question. Is it possible to setup an Active/Active two node SQL cluster that has only one instance. I mean that the cluster would actually do load balancing when running.

Thank you.

Regards,

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Kueh.