

Section 14 Programming

DATABASE TRANSACTIONS

A transaction makes several successive changes to a table. If required, you want to be able to rollback the later changes while keeping the earlier changes. What must you include in your code to do this?

A savepoint

User BOB's CUSTOMERS table contains 20 rows. BOB inserts two more rows into the table but does not COMMIT his changes. User JANE now executes:

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM bob.customers;
```

What result will JANE see?

20

Which of the following best describes the term "read consistency"?

It prevents other users from seeing changes to a table until those changes have been committed

Table MYTAB contains only one column of datatype CHAR(1). A user executes the following statements in the order shown.

```
INSERT INTO mytab VALUES ('A');
```

```
INSERT INTO mytab VALUES ('B');
```

```
COMMIT;
```

```
INSERT INTO mytab VALUES ('C');
```

```
ROLLBACK;
```

Which rows does the table now contain?

A and B

If a database crashes, all uncommitted changes are automatically rolled back. True or False?

True

Steven King's row in the EMPLOYEES table has EMPLOYEE_ID = 100 and SALARY = 24000. A user issues the following statements in the order shown:

```
UPDATE employees
```

```
SET salary = salary * 2
```

```
WHERE employee_id = 100;
```

```
COMMIT;
```

```
UPDATE employees
```

```
SET salary = 30000
```

```
WHERE employee_id = 100;
```

The user's database session now ends abnormally. What is now King's salary in the table?

48000

Examine the following statements:

```
UPDATE employees SET salary = 15000;
```

```
SAVEPOINT upd1_done;
```

```
UPDATE employees SET salary = 22000;  
SAVEPOINT upd2_done;  
DELETE FROM employees;
```

You want to retain all the employees with a salary of 15000; What statement would you execute next?

```
ROLLBACK TO SAVEPOINT upd1_done;
```

Which SQL statement is used to remove all the changes made by an uncommitted transaction?

```
ROLLBACK;
```