

# Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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This book is about some of the PL/SQL errors. Also, give you an opportunity to learn PL/SQL from mistakes. This book employs examples and you will see a mistake in the program and the possible solution for the mistake. This book is suitable for self-learners.

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## Oracle Error Message: ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER(1); 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: number precision too large ORA-06512: at line 3 ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_SQL", line 1721
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	Datatype NUMBER size is small i.e., size “1” is not sufficient.
Possible Solution	By increasing datatype NUMBER size from 1to 2 or more.

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**Oracle Error Message:** ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: character string buffer too small

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='CC'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: character string buffer too small ORA-06512: at line 2 ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_SQL", line 1721
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	Here, datatype CHAR width is “1”. Hence, “CC” cannot assign.
Possible Solution	By specifying width more than “1” or assign “C” to variable “code”.

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**Oracle Error Message:** ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: number precision too large  
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**Oracle Error Message:** ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: number precision too large

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE           ↓ 2      i    NUMBER(2):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6      i:=i+1;    (99+1 = 100 result cannot store when i=99) 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: number precision too large ORA-06512: at line 6
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	This error message is from runtime. Size of variable "i" in declare section is 2 and this size is not sufficient to store 100 value into the variable "i".
Possible Solution	Increase the variable "i" size from 2 to 3 or more.

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**Oracle Error Message:** ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: number precision too large

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER(1,1):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1; 10         END LOOP; 11         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 12     END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06502: PL/SQL: numeric or value error: number precision too large ORA-06512: at line 2 ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_SQL", line 1721
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	Datatype NUMBER width is wrong.
Possible Solution	By giving valid width for the datatype NUMBER.

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### Oracle Error Message: ORA-06531: Reference to uninitialized collection

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 3      tp_v tp; ← Red arrow here 4  BEGIN 5      tp_v.EXTEND; 6      tp_v(1) := 'Sailaja'; 7  END; 8  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06531: Reference to uninitialized collection ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_SQL", line 1721
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	Initialization of type variable is missing.
Possible Solution	By initializing the type variable i.e., tp_v tp:=tp();

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### Oracle Error Message: ORA-06533: Subscript beyond count

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      str  VARCHAR2(20); 3      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 4      tp_v tp:=tp(); 5  BEGIN 6      tp_v.EXTEND; 7      tp_v(2) := 'Sailaja'; 8  END; 9 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06533: Subscript beyond count ORA-06512: at line 7 ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_SQL", line 1721
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	Wrong index specification in type variable.
Possible Solution	By replacing index "2" with "1" i.e., tp_v(1)

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## Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ""

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER; 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 9, column 16: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ; The symbol ":" was substituted for "" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. “=” (equal symbol) is missing in assignment operator i.e., “:=” (colon equal)
Possible Solution	By giving “=” equal symbol after colon (:) symbol.

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"  
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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 DECLARE 2     i    NUMBER(3):=1; 3 BEGIN 4     WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP; 5         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6         i:=i+1; 7     END LOOP; 8 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 23: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: ( begin case declare exit for goto if loop mod null pragma raise return select update while with <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> <a bind variable> << continue close current delete fetch lock insert open rollback savepoint set sql execute commit forall merge pipe purge json_exists json_value json_query json_object json_array The symbol "exit" was substituted for "
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) at end of "LOOP" keyword.
Possible Solution	By removing semicolon (;) after "LOOP" keyword.

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      CHAR(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      ENDLOOP;  8  END; 9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 8, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: loop
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Space is missing in between "END" and "LOOP" keywords.
Possible Solution	By including at least one space between "END" and "LOOP" keywords.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSE 8          IF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 9              DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 10         ELSE 11             DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal'); 12         END IF; 13     END; 14 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 13, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: if
Mistake Line	Related to Line 8
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Only one "END IF" for two "IF".
Possible Solution	Either by replacing "ELSE" and "IF" with "ELSIF" or by adding additionally "END IF"

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To return square of a given number.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE or replace FUNCTION f_square (n NUMBER) return number is; 2     p NUMBER; 3 BEGIN 4     p:=n * n; 5     return p; 6 END; 7 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION F_SQUARE Line/Col: 1/47 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: begin function pragma procedure subtype type <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> current cursor delete exists prior external language
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) after "IS" keyword.
Possible Solution	By remove semicolon (;) after "IS" keyword.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER; 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP; &lt;---- Red arrow here 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 8, column 29: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: ( begin case declare exit for goto if loop mod null pragma raise return select update while with <an identifier> ..... json_query json_object json_array The symbol "exit" was substituted for "
Mistake Line	Line 8
Problem Details	Semicolon (;) given after "LOOP" keyword.
Possible Solution	By removing semicolon (;) after the keyword "LOOP"

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru');  7          WHEN 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 6, column 53: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: ), * & = - + </> at in is mod remainder not rem => <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~=> <= <> and or default like like2 like4 likec as between from using    multiset member submultiset The symbol ")" was substituted for ";" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Closing bracket is missing.
Possible Solution	By giving closing bracket for the statement line 6.

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     ENDCASE; &lt;----- Red arrow points here 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 12, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ";" when expecting one of the following: case
Mistake Line	Line 11
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Space is missing in between END and CASE.
Possible Solution	By adding at least one space between END and CASE.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "|"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12     BEGIN 13         swap(v1, v2); 14         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = ' v1); 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16     END;</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 14, column 38: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol " " when expecting one of the following: ), * & = - + < / > at in.....between from using    multiset member submultiset The symbol ", was inserted before " " to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 14
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. One pipe () symbol is missing in concatenation operator i.e., two pipe (  ) symbols.
Possible Solution	By adding pipe () symbol.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "="

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6       i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 6, column 8: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "=" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ; The symbol ":= was inserted before "=" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Colon (:) is missing in expression.
Possible Solution	By giving colon (:) in expression as “:=” (colon equal) is the assignment operator in PL/SQL.

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 ← 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	<p>ORA-06550: line 5, column 7: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following: * &amp; - + / at loop mod remainder rem &lt;an exponent (**)&gt; and or    multiset The symbol "*" was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.</p>
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. “LOOP” keyword is missing.
Possible Solution	By including the LOOP keyword.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 <span style="background-color: red;">[ ]</span> 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 8, column 7: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following: . ( * @ % & - + / at mod remainder rem then <an exponent (**)> and or    multiset The symbol "." was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. "THEN" keyword is missing for "ELSIF"
Possible Solution	By adding "THEN" keyword for "ELSIF"

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   FOR i IN 1..10 3     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i*i); 4   END LOOP; 5 6 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 3, column 8: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following: * & - + / at loop mod remainder rem <an exponent (**)>    multiset The symbol "*" was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. “LOOP” keyword is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding “LOOP” keyword.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12 BEGIN 13     swap(v1, v2) ← 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 14, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following:
Mistake Line	Line 13
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By giving semicolon (;).

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      IF n &gt; 10 THEN 5          EXIT; 6      END IF; 7      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n    '. PL/SQL'); 8      n:=n+1; 9      END LOOP; 10     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 11 END; 12 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 10, column 5: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT"
Mistake Line	Before Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. LOOP is missing for END LOOP
Possible Solution	By including LOOP keyword before “IF” i.e., line 4

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN 'P' DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 9, column 16: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following: * & = - + < / > at in is mod remainder not rem then <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~=> <= <> and or like like2 like4 likec between    multiset member submultiset The symbol "*" was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. THEN keyword is missing for WHEN.
Possible Solution	By adding THEN keyword for WHEN condition in line 9.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE 5          WHEN code = 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN code = 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN code = 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN code = 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN code = 'P' DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 9, column 23: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following: * & - + / at mod remainder rem then <an exponent (**)> and or    multiset The symbol "*" was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. THEN keyword is missing for WHEN.
Possible Solution	By adding "THEN" keyword for "WHEN" condition in line 9.

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS\_OUTPUT"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE 5          WHEN code = 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN code = 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN code = 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN code = 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN code = 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10     END CASE; 11    EXCEPTION 12        WHEN CASE_NOT_FOUND ← 13            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 14    END; 15  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 13, column 8: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DBMS_OUTPUT" when expecting one of the following: . then or The symbol "then" was substituted for "DBMS_OUTPUT" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 12
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. THEN keyword is missing for WHEN statement in EXCEPTION section.
Possible Solution	By adding THEN keyword at end of WHEN statement in EXCEPTION section.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DECLARE"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To return square of a given number.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE or replace FUNCTION f_square (n NUMBER) return number is 2 DECLARE ← 3     p NUMBER; 4 BEGIN 5     p:=n * n; 6     return p; 7 END; 8 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION F_SQUARE Line/Col: 2/1 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DECLARE" when expecting one of the following: begin function pragma procedure subtype type <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> current cursor delete exists prior external language
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. "DECLARE" keyword after "IS" keyword.
Possible Solution	By removing "DECLARE" keyword after "IS" keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "ELSIF"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG') 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 7, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "ELSIF" when expecting one of the following: := . ( % ;
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. The statement termination character i.e., semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By including semicolon (;) at end of DBMS_OUTPUT statement.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal') 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 11, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END" when expecting one of the following: := . ( % ; The symbol ";" was substituted for "END" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 10
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. The statement termination character i.e., semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By including semicolon (;) at end of DBMS_OUTPUT statement.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string "PL/SQL".
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n    '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1 10         END LOOP; 11     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 10, column 5: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END" when expecting one of the following: * & = - + ; < / > at in is mod remainder not rem <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~=> <= <> and or like like2 like4 likec between    member submultiset The symbol ";" was substituted for "END" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing for the expression "n:=n+1"
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of expression in line 9 i.e., n:=n+1;

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT ← 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n   '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1; 10         END LOOP; 11         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 12     END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 7, column 2: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END" when expecting one of the following: ; when <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> The symbol ";" was substituted for "END" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing for the statement “EXIT”
Possible Solution	By ending the statement “EXIT” with semicolon (;) i.e., EXIT;

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string "PL/SQL".
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 6          n:=n+1; 7          EXIT WHEN n &gt; 10 ← 8      END LOOP; 9      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 10 END; 11 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 8, column 5: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END" when expecting one of the following: * & - + ; / at mod remainder rem <an exponent (**)> and or    multiset The symbol ":" was substituted for "END" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of the statement in line 7.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for nested FOR loop.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   &lt;&lt;outer_loop&gt;&gt; 3   FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 4     &lt;&lt;inner_loop&gt;&gt; 5     FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 6       IF outer_loop.i = 2 THEN 7         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('outer: '    TO_CHAR(outer_loop.i) 8            ' inner: '   TO_CHAR(inner_loop.i)); 9       END IF; 10      END LOOP inner_loop ← 11    END LOOP outer_loop; 12  END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 11, column 3: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END" when expecting one of the following: ; The symbol ";" was substituted for "END" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 10
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of line 10.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program user defined function creation.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time RETURN varchar2 IS 2     time_v  VARCHAR2(20); 3 BEGIN 4     time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.'); 5     RETURN time_v; 6 EXCEPTION 7     WHEN OTHERS THEN 8         RETURN SQLERRM ← 9 END; 10 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION SYSTEM_TIME Line/Col: 9/1 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "END" when expecting one of the following: . (* @ % & = - + ; < / > at in is mod remainder not rem <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~~= <= <> and or like like2 like4 likec between    multiset member submultiset The symbol ";" was substituted for "END" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 8
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of the statement in line 8.

## **Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes**

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "end-of-file"  
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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "end-of-file"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i    NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  EN; &lt;-- Red arrow points here 9  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 8, column 3: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "end-of-file" when expecting one of the following: ( begin case declare end exception exit for goto if loop mod null pragma raise return select update while with <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> <a bind variable> << continue close current delete fetch lock insert open rollback savepoint set sql execute commit forall merge pipe purge json_exists json_value json_query json_object json_array
Mistake Line	Line 8
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in “END” keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., by replacing “EN” with “END”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "end-of-file"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i    NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END  9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 8, column 3: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "end-of-file" when expecting one of the following: ; <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> The symbol ";" was substituted for "end-of-file" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 8
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Statement termination character i.e., semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By giving semicolon (;) at the end of "END" keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF"

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12     END IF; ← 13 END; 14 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 12, column 8: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF" when expecting one of the following: ; <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier>
Mistake Line	Line 12
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. An additional “END IF” without “IF”.
Possible Solution	By removing additional “END IF”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEING &lt;----- 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF" when expecting one of the following: constant exception <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> table columns long double ref char time timestamp interval date binary national character nchar
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in “BEGIN” keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., by replacing “BEING” with “BEGIN”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  <span style="background-color: red;">-</span>    LOOP 4      IF n &gt; 10 THEN 5          EXIT; 6      END IF; 7      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 8      n:=n+1; 9      END LOOP; 10     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 11 END; 12 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 2: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IF" when expecting one of the following: constant exception <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> table columns long double ref char time timestamp interval date binary national character nchar
Mistake Line	Before Line 3
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. BEGIN keyword is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding BEGIN keyword before “LOOP” keyword

## **Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes**

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS"

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To return square of a given number.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE or replace FUNCTION f_square (n NUMBER) is 2     p NUMBER; 3 BEGIN 4     p:=n * n; 5     return p; 6 END; 7 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION F_SQUARE Line/Col: 1/31 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS" when expecting one of the following: return
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. RETURN <datatype> is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding RETURN NUMBER before "IS" keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER; 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10) 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "FUNCTION" when expecting one of the following: . ( * % & = - + ; </> at in is mod remainder not rem <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~=> = <= <> and or like like2 like4 likec between    multiset member submultiset The symbol ";" was substituted for "FUNCTION" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of "num_v" declaration.

# Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

## Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER(2); 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         ENDLOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 13, column 5: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "AVG_FUN" when expecting one of the following: loop The symbol "loop" was substituted for "AVG_FUN" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 11
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Space is missing in END LOOP.
Possible Solution	By giving at least one space between "END" and "LOOP" keywords.

# Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

## Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER(2); 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 41: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IS" when expecting one of the following: return
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. RETURN <datatype> is missing.
Possible Solution	By including RETURN NUMBER before "IS" keyword

## **Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes**

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "LOOP"

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "LOOP"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7              DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 8          n:=n+1; 9      END LOOP; 10     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 11 END; 12 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 9, column 9: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "LOOP" when expecting one of the following: if
Mistake Line	Before Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. “END IF;” is missing for IF statement.
Possible Solution	By adding “END IF;” keyword before “END LOOP;” i.e., line 9

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "LOOP"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for nested FOR loop.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   &lt;&lt;outer_loop&gt;&gt; 3   FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 4     &lt;&lt;inner_loop&gt;&gt; 5     FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 6       IF outer_loop.i = 2 THEN 7         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('outer: '    TO_CHAR(outer_loop.i) 8            ' inner: '   TO_CHAR(inner_loop.i)); 9       ENDIF; 10      END LOOP inner_loop; 11    END LOOP outer_loop; 12  END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 10, column 9: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "LOOP" when expecting one of the following: if
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Space is missing in between END and IF.
Possible Solution	By giving at least one space between END and IF.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "THEM"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEM 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' and '    n2    ' are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 15: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "THEM" when expecting one of the following: . (* @ % & - + / at mod remainder rem then <an exponent (**)> and or    multiset
Mistake Line	Line 5
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in “THEN” keyword.
Possible Solution	By replacing “THEM” with “THEN”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i) 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9 / 10  </pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 6, column 7: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "I" when expecting one of the following: := . ( % ; The symbol "." was substituted for "I" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 5
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Statement termination character i.e., semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By giving semicolon (;) at the end of DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i) statement.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i  NUMBER(3):=1; 3 BEING ← 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 10: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "I" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ; not null range default character
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in “BEGIN” keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., by replacing “BEING” with “BEGIN”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHIE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 9: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "I" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ;
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in “WHIE” keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., by replacing “WHIE” with “WHILE”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSEIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' Both are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 7, column 11: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "N2" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ;
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in keyword “ELSEIF”.
Possible Solution	By replacing “ELSEIF” with “ELSIF”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'FMSSSSSth)); 3 END; 4 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	<p>ORA-06550: line 2, column 42: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "FMSSSSSth); END;" when expecting one of the following:</p> <p>( - + case mod new not null &lt;an identifier&gt; &lt;a double-quoted delimited-identifier&gt; &lt;a bind variable&gt; continue avg count current exists max min prior sql stddev sum variance execute forall merge time timestamp interval date &lt;a string literal with character set specification&gt; &lt;a number&gt; &lt;a single-quoted SQL string&gt; pipe &lt;an alternatively-quoted string literal with cha</p>
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Missing single quote at end of FMSSSSSth.
Possible Solution	By adding single quote at end of FMSSSSSth.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display today date
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Today's Date is '    SYSDATE); 3 END; 4 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 2, column 32: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "S" when expecting one of the following: ), * & = - + < / > at in is mod remainder not rem => <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~=> <= <> and or default like like2 like4 likec as between from using    multiset member submultiset
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Missing additional single quote.
Possible Solution	By adding additional single quote.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To return square of a given number.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE or replace FUNCTION f_square (n NUMBER(20)) return number is 2     p NUMBER; 3 BEGIN 4     p:=n * n; 5     return p; 6 END; 7 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION F_SQUARE Line/Col: 1/29 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "(" when expecting one of the following: := . ) , @ % default character The symbol "=" was substituted for "(" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Datatype size specification in parameter.
Possible Solution	By removing size i.e., 20 in NUMBER parameter.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap ← 12 BEGIN 13     swap(v1, v2); 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 12, column 1: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "BEGIN" when expecting one of the following: ; The symbol ";" was substituted for "BEGIN" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 11
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of line 11.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1  INT:=1; 3      v2  INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2  10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12     BEGIN 13         swap(v1, v2); 14         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 10, column 10: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "P2" when expecting one of the following: . ( * @ % & = - + ; < / > at in is mod remainder not rem..... between    multiset member submultiset The symbol ";" was substituted for "P2" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding semicolon (;) at end of line 9.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6      DECLARE&lt;--&gt; 7          l INT; 8      BEGIN 9          l:=p1; 10         p1:=p2; 11         p2:=l; 12     END swap; 13     BEGIN 14         swap(v1, v2); 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 16         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 17     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 6, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "DECLARE" when expecting .....current cursor delete exists prior external language
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. DECLARE keyword is wrong inside procedure declaration.
Possible Solution	By removing DECLARE keyword after "IS" keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2 ← 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12 BEGIN 13     swap(v1, v2); 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 4: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "PROCEDURE" when expecting one of the following: * & = - + ; < / > at in is mod remainder not rem <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~= >= <= <> and or like like2.....The symbol ";" was substituted for "PROCEDURE" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Semicolon (;) is missing at end of variable declaration.
Possible Solution	By giving semicolon (;) at end of "v2" variable declaration.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 NUMBER IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; ↑ 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12 BEGIN 13     swap(v1, v2); 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 44: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "IN" when expecting one of the following: := .) , @ % default character
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. NUMBER datatype before “IN OUT”
Possible Solution	By removing NUMBER datatype before “IN OUT” in 2 <sup>nd</sup> parameter.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1  INT:=1; 3      v2  INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) <span style="background-color: red;"> </span> 5          l INT; 6      BEGIN 7          l:=p1; 8          p1:=p2; 9          p2:=l; 10     END swap; 11    BEGIN 12        swap(v1, v2); 13        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 14        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 15    END;</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 10: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "L" when expecting one of the following: ; is with default authid as cluster order using external deterministic parallel_enable pipelined result_cache accessible rewrite
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. “IS” keyword is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding “IS” keyword at end of procedure parameters.

# Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

## Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER(2); 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL <span style="background-color: red;">  </span> 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 9, column 10: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "AVG_V" when expecting one of the following: loop and or The symbol "loop" was substituted for "AVG_V" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 8
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. “LOOP” keyword is missing.
Possible Solution	By adding “LOOP” keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1; 10         END LOOP; 11         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program); 12     END; 13 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 11, column 26: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "End of Program); END;" when expecting one of the following: ( ) - + case mod new not null <an identifier> <a double-quoted delimited-identifier> .....second timezone_hour timezone_minute timezone_region timezone_abbr time timestamp interval date
Mistake Line	Line 11
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. For closing the string in parameter of DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE, single quote is missing.
Possible Solution	By including single quote.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   n NUMBER:=1; 3   LOOP 4     IF n &gt; 10 THEN 5       EXIT; 6     END IF; 7     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 8     n:=n+1; 9   END LOOP; 10  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 11 END; 12 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 2, column 7: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "NUMBER" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ; The symbol "." was substituted for "NUMBER" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. DECLARE section is missing for variable declaration i.e., “n NUMBER:=1;”
Possible Solution	By keeping variable declaration i.e., “n NUMBER:=1;” in DECLARE section.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); <span style="color:red">Red arrow pointing to this line</span> 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 7, column 13: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol " THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(" when expecting one of the following: . (* @ % & = - + < / > at in is mod remainder not rem then <an exponent (**)> <> or != or ~=> <= <> and or like like2 like4 likec between    multiset member submultiset
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Single quote is missing.
Possible Solution	By giving single quote in line 7.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          ELSE 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 9, column 12: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "P" when expecting one of the following: ( begin case declare exit for goto if loop mod null pragma raise return select update while .....merge pipe purge json_exists json_value json_query json_object json_array The symbol "if" was substituted for "P"
Mistake Line	Line 9
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. ELSE is wrong.
Possible Solution	By replacing “ELSE” keyword with “WHEN” keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for nested FOR loop.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   &lt;&lt;outer_loop&gt;&gt; 3   FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 4     &lt;&lt;inner_loop &lt;--&gt; 5     FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 6       IF outer_loop.i = 2 THEN 7         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('outer: '    TO_CHAR(outer_loop.i) 8            ' inner: '   TO_CHAR(inner_loop.i)); 9       END IF; 10      END LOOP inner_loop; 11    END LOOP outer_loop; 12  END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 5: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "FOR" when expecting one of the following: >> The symbol ">>" was substituted for "FOR" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. ">>" is missing for label "inner_loop".
Possible Solution	By adding ">>" for label "inner_loop" in line 4.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program user defined function creation.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time RETURNS varchar2 IS 2     time_v  VARCHAR2(20); 3 BEGIN 4     time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.'); 5     RETURN time_v; 6 EXCEPTION 7     WHEN OTHERS THEN 8         RETURN SQLERRM; 9 END; 10 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION SYSTEM_TIME Line/Col: 1/22 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "RETURNS" when expecting one of the following: ( return compress compiled wrapped
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in RETURN keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., replacing "RETURNS" with "RETURN".

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program user defined function creation.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time RETURN varchar2 IS 2     time_v  VARCHAR2(20); 3 BEGIN 4     time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.'); 5     RETURNS time_v; 6 EXCEPTION 7 WHEN OTHERS THEN 8     RETURN SQLERRM; 9 END; 10 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION SYSTEM_TIME Line/Col: 5/12 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "TIME_V" when expecting one of the following: := . ( @ % ; The symbol "=" was substituted for "TIME_V" to continue.
Mistake Line	Line 5
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Spelling mistake in RETURN keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., replacing "RETURNS" with "RETURN".

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program user defined function creation.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time() RETURN varchar2 IS 2     time_v  VARCHAR2(20); 3 BEGIN 4     time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.'); 5     RETURN time_v; 6 EXCEPTION 7     WHEN OTHERS THEN 8         RETURN SQLERRM; 9 END; 10 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION SYSTEM_TIME Line/Col: 1/22 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol ")" when expecting one of the following: <an identifier><a double-quoted delimited-identifier> current delete exists prior
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Empty brackets along with function name is wrong.
Possible Solution	By removing empty brackets along with function name i.e., system_time

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "xxxxx"

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program user defined function creation.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time RETURN varchar2(20) IS 2     time_v  VARCHAR2(20); 3 BEGIN 4     time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.'); 5     RETURN time_v; 6 EXCEPTION 7     WHEN OTHERS THEN 8         RETURN SQLERRM; 9 END; 10 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION SYSTEM_TIME Line/Col: 1/37 PLS-00103: Encountered the symbol "(" when expecting one of the following: . @ % ; is default authid as cluster order using external character deterministic parallel_enable pipelined aggregate result_cache accessible rewrite
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Width given for RETURN datatype i.e., RETURN VARCHAR2(20).
Possible Solution	By removing width from RETURN datatype i.e., RETURN VARCHAR2

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00103: PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

<b>Aim of the PL/SQL Program</b>	Example program for nested FOR loop.
<b>PL/SQL Code with Mistakes</b>	<pre>1 BEGIN 2 &lt;&lt;out_loop&gt;&gt; 3   FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 4     &lt;&lt;inner_loop&gt;&gt; 5     FOR i IN 1..3 LOOP 6       IF outer_loop.i = 2 THEN 7         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE ('outer: '    TO_CHAR(outer_loop.i) 8              ' inner: '   TO_CHAR(inner_loop.i)); 9       END IF; 10      END LOOP inner_loop; 11    END LOOP outer_loop; 12  END;</pre>
<b>Oracle Error Message</b>	ORA-06550: line 6, column 10: PLS-00201: identifier 'OUTER_LOOP.I' must be declared
<b>Mistake Line</b>	Line 2
<b>Problem Details</b>	Mistake in label name.
<b>Possible Solution</b>	By replacing label name "out_loop" with "outer_loop" in line 2.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00113: END identifier 'xxxxx'

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swa;← 12 BEGIN 13     swap(v1, v2); 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 11, column 8: PLS-00113: END identifier 'SWA' must match 'SWAP' at line 4, column 14
Mistake Line	Line 11
Problem Details	Spelling mistake in procedure name following the "END" keyword.
Possible Solution	By replacing "swa" with "swap" after "END" keyword.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00201: identifier 'DBMS\_OUTPUTPUT\_LINE' must be declared

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      NUMBER(3):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUTPUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=i+1; 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 7: PLS-00201: identifier 'DBMS_OUTPUTPUT_LINE' must be declared
Mistake Line	Line 5
Problem Details	Dot (.) is missing in between package name and procedure name.
Possible Solution	By including dot (.) in between DBMS_OUTPUT and PUT_LINE.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 DECLAR ← 2   i  NUMBER(3):=1; 3 BEGIN 4   WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6     i:=i+1; 7   END LOOP; 8 END; 9 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Invalid statement Unsupported Command ORA-06550: line 2, column 10: PLS-00201: identifier 'T' must be declared
Mistake Line	Line 1
Problem Details	Spelling mistake in “DECLARE” keyword.
Possible Solution	By correcting the spelling mistake i.e., by replacing “DECLAR” with “DECLARE”.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      i      NUMBER(2):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      WHILE i &lt;= 100 LOOP 5          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 6          i:=j+1; ← 7      END LOOP; 8  END; 9  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 6, column 10: PLS-00201: identifier 'J' must be declared
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	The declaration of variable "j" is missing.
Possible Solution	By replacing "j" with "i" as "j" is not required for this logic.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

<b>Aim of the PL/SQL Program</b>	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
<b>PL/SQL Code with Mistakes</b>	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12 BEGIN 13     swa(v1, v2); 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
<b>Oracle Error Message</b>	ORA-06550: line 13, column 4: PLS-00201: identifier 'SWA' must be declared
<b>Mistake Line</b>	Line 13
<b>Problem Details</b>	Spelling mistake in procedure name.
<b>Possible Solution</b>	By replacing "swa" with "swap"

# Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

## Oracle Error Message: PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE and declared FUNCTION usage
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER(2); 3      nums_v    sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10); 4      FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_v IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS 5          i          PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST; 6          avg_v     NUMBER:=0; 7      BEGIN 8          WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP 9              avg_v := avg_v + nums_p(i) / nums_p.COUNT; 10             i := nums_p.NEXT(i); 11         END LOOP; 12         RETURN avg_v; 13     END avg_fun; 14     BEGIN 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun(nums_v)); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 35: PLS-00201: identifier 'NUMS_P.FIRST' must be declared
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	Parameter name is wrong.
Possible Solution	By replacing "num_v" with "num_p".

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00201: identifier 'xxxxx' must be declared

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUM:=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1; 10         END LOOP; 11     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 2, column 7: PLS-00201: identifier 'NUM' must be declared
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	This error message is from the parser. Wrong datatype i.e., NUM.
Possible Solution	By replacing NUM with NUMBER datatype.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00215: String length constraints must be in range (1 .. 32767)  
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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00215: String length constraints must be in range (1 .. 32767)

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      str  VARCHAR2(20); 3      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2 NOT NULL; 4      tp_v tp:=tp(); 5  BEGIN 6      tp_v.EXTEND; 7      tp_v(1) := 'Sailaja'; 8  END; 9  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 3, column 24: PLS-00215: String length constraints must be in range (1 .. 32767)
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	Size specification is missing with VARCHAR2 datatype in TYPE declaration.
Possible Solution	By specifying the size with VARCHAR2 in TYPE declaration. For example, TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00215: String length constraints must be in range (1 .. 32767)

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program user defined function creation.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time RETURN varchar2 IS 2     time_v  VARCHAR2; ← 3 BEGIN 4     time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.'); 5     RETURN time_v; 6 EXCEPTION 7     WHEN OTHERS THEN 8         RETURN SQLERRM; 9 END; 10 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	Errors: FUNCTION SYSTEM_TIME Line/Col: 2/12 PLS-00215: String length constraints must be in range (1 .. 32767)
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	Datatype VARCHAR2 width is missing for the variable “time_v”.
Possible Solution	By specifying the valid width i.e., time_v VARCHAR2(20);

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00216: NUMBER precision constraint must be in range (1 .. 38)

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER(1111111111):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1; 10         END LOOP; 11         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 12     END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 2, column 14: PLS-00216: NUMBER precision constraint must be in range (1 .. 38)
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	Datatype NUMBER width is wrong.
Possible Solution	By giving valid width for the datatype NUMBER.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00302: component 'EXTEND' must be declared

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 100
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 3      tp_v tp:=tp(); 4  BEGIN 5      tp.EXTEND; ← 6      tp_v(1) := 'Sailaja'; 7  END; 8 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 7: PLS-00302: component 'EXTEND' must be declared
Mistake Line	Line 5
Problem Details	Type variable is wrong with EXTEND method.
Possible Solution	By giving correct type variable with EXTEND method i.e., tp_v.EXTEND

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00306: wrong number or types of arguments in call to 'PUT\_LINE'

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display biggest of two numbers.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n1    INT:=24; 3      n2    INT:=55; 4  BEGIN 5      IF n1 &gt; n2 THEN 6          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1    ' is BIG'); 7      ELSIF n2 &gt; n1 THEN 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2    ' is BIG'); 9      ELSE 10         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2, ' Both are Equal'); 11     END IF; 12 END; 13 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 10, column 7: PLS-00306: wrong number or types of arguments in call to 'PUT_LINE'
Mistake Line	Line 10
Problem Details	More than one argument in PUT_LINE procedure of DBMS_OUTPUT Package.
Possible Solution	By replacing “,” with pipe (  ) symbol.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00325: non-integral numeric literal xxxxx is inappropriate in this context

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display 1 to 10 numbers along with string “PL/SQL”.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      n NUMBER(1111111111):=1; 3  BEGIN 4      LOOP 5          IF n &gt; 10 THEN 6              EXIT; 7          END IF; 8          DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n  '. PL/SQL'); 9          n:=n+1; 10         END LOOP; 11         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('End of Program'); 12     END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 2, column 14: PLS-00325: non-integral numeric literal 1111111111 is inappropriate in this context
Mistake Line	Line 2
Problem Details	Datatype NUMBER width is wrong.
Possible Solution	By giving valid width for the datatype NUMBER.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00330: invalid use of type name or subtype name  
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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00330: invalid use of type name or subtype name

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 3      tp_v tp:=tp;← 4  BEGIN 5      tp_v.EXTEND; 6      tp_v(1) := 'Sailaja'; 7  END; 8 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 3, column 13: PLS-00330: invalid use of type name or subtype name
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	Invalid initialization of type variable.
Possible Solution	By correcting initialization of type variable i.e., tp_v tp:=tp();

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00330: invalid use of type name or subtype name

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 3      tp_v tp:=tp(); 4  BEGIN 5      tp_v.EXTEND; 6      tp(1) := 'Sailaja'; 7  END; 8 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 6, column 4: PLS-00330: invalid use of type name or subtype name
Mistake Line	Line 6
Problem Details	Type name is wrong
Possible Solution	By giving correct type name i.e., tp_v(1)

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00355: use of pl/sql table not allowed in this context

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 3      tp_v tp:=tp(); 4  BEGIN    ↓ 5      tp_v().EXTEND; 6      tp_v(1) := 'Sailaja'; 7  END; 8  /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 4: PLS-00355: use of pl/sql table not allowed in this context
Mistake Line	Line 5
Problem Details	Type variable usage with EXTEND method is wrong.
Possible Solution	By correcting type variable usage with EXTEND method i.e., tp_v.EXTEND;

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00363: expression 'l' cannot be used as an assignment target

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN OUT INT) 5      IS 6          l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; 11     END swap; 12 BEGIN 13     swap(1, 2); ← 14     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16 END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 13, column 9: PLS-00363: expression 'l' cannot be used as an assignment target
Mistake Line	Line 13
Problem Details	Values passed directly for the IN OUT parameters.
Possible Solution	By referring values instead of passing directly i.e., swap (v1, v2)

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00363: expression 'xxxxx' cannot be used as an assignment target

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00363: expression 'xxxxx' cannot be used as an assignment target

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To display numbers from 1 to 10
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1 BEGIN 2   FOR i IN 1..10 LOOP 3     DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i); 4     i:=i+1; ← 5   END LOOP; 6 END; 7 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 8: PLS-00363: expression 'T' cannot be used as an assignment target
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	FOR variable "i" used for increment.
Possible Solution	By removing the expression "i:=i+1".

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00363: expression 'xxxxx' cannot be used as an assignment target

<b>Aim of the PL/SQL Program</b>	To return square of a given number.
<b>PL/SQL Code with Mistakes</b>	<pre>1 CREATE or replace FUNCTION f_square (n NUMBER) return number is 2     p NUMBER; 3 BEGIN 4     n:=20; &lt;---- Red arrow points here 5     p:=n * n; 6     return p; 7 END; 8 /</pre>
<b>Oracle Error Message</b>	Errors: FUNCTION F_SQUARE Line/Col: 4/5 PL/SQL: Statement ignored Line/Col: 4/5 PLS-00363: expression 'N' cannot be used as an assignment target
<b>Mistake Line</b>	Line 4
<b>Problem Details</b>	Value assigned to "IN" parameter.
<b>Possible Solution</b>	By passing value instead of assigning to "n" parameter i.e., remove the 4 <sup>th</sup> line.

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00363: expression 'xxxxx' cannot be used as an assignment target

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	To swap two numbers and display two number after swapping.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      v1    INT:=1; 3      v2    INT:=2; 4      PROCEDURE swap(p1 IN OUT INT, p2 IN INT) 5  IS 6      l INT; 7      BEGIN 8          l:=p1; 9          p1:=p2; 10         p2:=l; <span style="background-color: red;">↑</span> 11     END swap; 12     BEGIN 13         swap(v1, v2); 14         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v1 value = '  v1); 15         DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('v2 value = '  v2); 16     END;</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 10, column 10: PLS-00363: expression 'P2' cannot be used as an assignment target
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	Parameter type is wrong.
Possible Solution	By replacing "IN" with "IN OUT".

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**Oracle Error Message: PLS-00382: expression is of wrong type**

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00382: expression is of wrong type

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for TYPE usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      str  VARCHAR2(20); 3      TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL; 4      tp_v tp:=tp(); 5  BEGIN 6      tp_v.EXTEND; 7      tp_v := 'Sailaja'; 8  END; 9 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 7, column 12: PLS-00382: expression is of wrong type
Mistake Line	Line 7
Problem Details	Index is missing in type variable.
Possible Solution	By giving index in type variable i.e., tp_v(1)

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

### Oracle Error Message: PLS-00382: expression is of wrong type

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE ← 5          WHEN 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 5, column 12: PLS-00382: expression is of wrong type
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	Variable is missing with “CASE” statement.
Possible Solution	By attaching variable “code” with “CASE” statement i.e., CASE code

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00573: cannot constrain scale, precision, or range of an anchored type declaration

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for subtype usage.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      str1 VARCHAR2(10); 3      SUBTYPE str2_st IS str1%TYPE(20); 4      str3  str2_st; 5  BEGIN 6      str3:='Sailaja'; 7  END; 8 /</pre> 
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 3, column 23: PLS-00573: cannot constrain scale, precision, or range of an anchored type declaration
Mistake Line	Line 3
Problem Details	Size specification for TYPE.
Possible Solution	By removing size including brackets after TYPE i.e., 20

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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**Oracle Error Message:** PLS-00615: type mismatch found at 'xxxxx' between CASE operand and WHEN operands

Aim of the PL/SQL Program	Example program for CASE statement.
PL/SQL Code with Mistakes	<pre>1  DECLARE 2      code CHAR:='C'; 3  BEGIN 4      CASE code 5          WHEN code = 'H' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hyderabad'); 6          WHEN code = 'B' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Bangaluru'); 7          WHEN code = 'C' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Chennai'); 8          WHEN code = 'D' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Delhi'); 9          WHEN code = 'P' THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Pune'); 10         ELSE DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Code'); 11     END CASE; 12 END; 13 /</pre>
Oracle Error Message	ORA-06550: line 4, column 9: PLS-00615: type mismatch found at 'CODE' between CASE operand and WHEN operands
Mistake Line	Line 4
Problem Details	Variable is not required along with "CASE" keyword.
Possible Solution	By removing variable "code" with "CASE" keyword in line 4.

# Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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## PL/SQL Programs with Mistakes (Find the Mistakes)

### Program #1:-

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'FMSSSSSth));
END;
/
```

### Program #2:-

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Today's Date is ' || SYSDATE);
END;
/
```

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### Program #3:-

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE global_pkg
IS
    CURSOR ref_c IS SELECT line FROM user_source;
    TYPE ref_t IS REF CURSOR ref_c%ROWTYPE;
END global_pkg;
/
```

### Program #4:-

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE lowest_proc
( num1_p NUMBER, num2_p NUMBER, num3_p NUMBER)
DECLARE
    l_lowest  NUMBER;
BEGIN
    SELECT LEAST(num1_p, num2_p, num3_p) INTO l_lowest FROM dual;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(l_lowest);
END;
/
```

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### Program #5:-

```
DECLARE
    i INT;
BEGIN
    FOR i IN 1..10 LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i*i);
        i:=i+1;
    END LOOP;
END;
/
```

### Program #6:-

```
DECLARE
    l_clob CLOB(4000);
BEGIN
    IF l_clob IS NULL THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('CLOB is NULL');
    ELSIF LENGTH(l_clob) = 0 THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('CLOB has a length of ZERO');
    ELSE
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('CLOB has Blank Spaces');
```

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```
    END IF;
END;
/
```

### Program #7:-

```
DECLARE
    str1 VARCHAR2(10);
    SUBTYPE str2_st IS str1%TYPE(20);
    str3 str2_st;
BEGIN
    str3:='Sailaja';
END;
/
```

### Program #8:-

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_SQL.EXEC_DDL_STATEMENT('CREATE TABLE employees(empno NUMBER)');
END;
```

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### Program #9:-

```
DECLARE
    str VARCHAR2(20);
    TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL;
    tp_v tp:=tp();
BEGIN
    tp_v(1) := 'Oracle';
END;
/
```

### Program #10:-

```
DECLARE
    cur_v  PLS_INTEGER;
    flag   PLS_INTEGER;
    str    VARCHAR2(200);
BEGIN
    str := 'UPDATE emp SET sal = sal + 1000 WHERE deptno = 20';
    cur_v := DBMS_SQL.OPEN_CURSOR();
    DBMS_SQLPARSE(str, DBMS_SQL.NATIVE);
    flag := DBMS_SQLEXECUTE(cur_v);
    IF flag = 0 THEN
```

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```
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Nothing Updated');
ELSIF flag = 1 THEN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('One Record Updated');
ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('More than One Record Updated');
END IF;
END;
/
```

### Program #11:-

```
DECLARE
    TYPE student_ty IS RECORD(name VARCHAR2(100), phone NUMBER);
    TYPE student_marks_ty is RECORD(subject VARCHAR2(100), marks NUMBER, student_details
student_ty);
    student_rec student_marks_ty;

BEGIN
    student_rec.student_details.name := 'Sailaja Pasupuleti';
    student_rec.marks := 90;

    IF student_rec.phone IS NULL THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Student Contact Number NOT FOUND');
```

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```
END IF;  
END;  
/
```

### Program #12:-

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER emp  
    BEFORE UPDATE ON emp  
    BEFORE INSERT ON emp  
    BEFORE DELETE ON emp  
DECLARE  
BEGIN  
    IF TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'DY', 'NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE=ENGLISH') IN ('SAT', 'SUN') THEN  
        RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000, 'Customers maintained Monday-Friday only.');//  
    END IF;  
END;  
/
```

### Program #13:-

```
CREATE TABLE emp(ename VARCHAR2(20), sal NUMBER);  
/
```

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```
BEGIN
    INSERT INTO emp VALUES('scott', 9000);
    INSERT INTO emp VALUES('smith', 6000);
    INSERT INTO emp VALUES('Jones', 9000);
    INSERT INTO emp VALUES('James', 5000);
    INSERT INTO emp VALUES('Adams', 6000);
    COMMIT;
END;
/
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE emp_pkg
IS
    PROCEDURE emp_list;
    FUNCTION emp_total RETURN NUMBER;
END emp_pkg;
/
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE BODY emp_pkg
IS
    PROCEDURE emp_list
    IS
        BEGIN
```

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```
FOR e IN (SELECT * FROM emp) LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(e.ename,e.sal);
END LOOP;
END emp_list;

FUNCTION emp_total
IS
    ctr  INT;
BEGIN
    SELECT COUNT(1) INTO ctr FROM emp;
    RETURN ctr;
END emp_total;
END emp_pkg;
/
```

### Program #14:-

```
DECLARE
    n1  INT:=&no1;
    n2  INT:=&no2;
BEGIN
    IF n1 > n2 THEN
```

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```
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n1 || ' is BIG');
ELSEIF n2 > n1 THEN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2 || ' is BIG');
ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(n2 || ' Both are Equal');
ENDIF;
END;
/
```

### Program #15:-

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION system_time RETURN varchar2(20) IS
DECLARE
    time_v VARCHAR2(20);
BEGIN
    time_v := TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH:MI:SS A.M.');
    RETURN time_v;
EXCEPTION
    WHEN OTHERS THEN
        RETURN SQLERRM;
END;
/
```

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### Program #16:-

```
DECLARE
    empno_v  INTEGER(4);
    ename_v   emp.ename%TYPE;
    job_v    emp.job%TYPE;
    salary_v  emp.sal%TYPE;
BEGIN
    empno_v := &Employee_Number;
    SELECT ename, job, sal FROM emp WHERE empno = empno_v;
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Employee Name : ' || ename);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Designation : ' || job);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Salary      : ' || sal);
EXCEPTION
    WHEN OTHERS THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(SQLERRM);
    WHEN VALUE_ERROR THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Datatype or Width Mismatch');
    WHEN NO_DATA_FOUND THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Employee Not Found');
END;
/
```

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Program #17:-

```
CREATE FUNCTION f_square (n NUMBER)
DECLARE
    p    NUMBER;
BEGIN
    p=n * n;
    n=p;
END;
/
```

### Program #18:-

```
DECLARE
    v1 INT:=1;
    v2 INT:=2;
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE swap(p1 OUT INT, IN OUT INT)
IS
    l INT;
BEGIN
    l:=p1;
    p1:=p2;
    p2:=l;
```

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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```
END swap;
BEGIN
    swap(v1, v2);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v1 value = '||v1);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(v2 value = '||v2);
END;
/
```

### Program #19:-

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER emp_trig BEFORE DELETE emp FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    IF TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'D') IN (1, 7) THEN
        RAISE APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000, 'You cannot Delete Records from Emp Table Today');
    END IF;
END;
/
```

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### Program #20:-

```
DECLARE
    CURSOR emp_cur IS SELECT * FROM emp;
    emp_rec  emp_cur%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    OPEN emp_cur;
    FETCH emp_cur INTO emp_rec;
    WHILE emp_cur%FOUND LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(emp_rec.ename, emp_rec.sal, emp_rec.job);
        FETCH emp_cur INTO emp_rec;
    END LOOP;
    CLOSE emp_rec;
EXCEPTION
    WHEN OTHERS THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(SQLERRM);
    WHEN INVALID_CURSOR THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Cursor Name');
END;
/
```

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### Program #21:-

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD('Name',10) || 'Salary');
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD('---',10) || '----');
DECLARE
    CURSOR emp_cur IS SELECT * FROM emp;
    emp_rec  emp_cur%TYPE;
BEGIN
    OPEN emp_cur;
    LOOP
        FETCH emp_cur INTO emp_rec;
        IF emp_cur%NOTFOUND THEN
            EXIT;
        END IF;
        IF MOD(emp_cur%ROWTYPE, 2) = 0 THEN
            DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(RPAD(emp_rec.ename,10), emp_rec.sal);
        END IF;
    END LOOP;
    CLOSE emp_rec;
EXCEPTION
    WHEN INVALID_CURSOR THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Invalid Cursor Name');
```

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```
WHEN OTHERS THEN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(SQLERRM);
END;
END;
/
```

### Program #22:-

```
DECLARE
    TYPE sno_t IS TABLE OF NUMBER;
    nums_v  sno_t := sno_t(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10);
    FUNCTION avg_fun (nums_p IN sno_t) RETURN NUMBER IS
        i      PLS_INTEGER:=nums_p.FIRST;
        avg_v  NUMBER:=0;
    BEGIN
        WHILE i IS NOT NULL LOOP
            avg_v := avg_v + nums_p / nums_p.COUNT;
            i := nums_p.NEXT(i);
        END LOOP;
    END avg_fun;
    BEGIN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(avg_fun);
    END;
```

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Program #23:-

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER emp_trg BEFORE INSERT ON emp
IS
    ctr INT:=0;
BEGIN
    SELECT COUNT(1) INTO ctr FROM emp WHERE empno = :NEW.empno;
    IF ctr != 0 THEN
        RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(20500, 'Employee Number already used');
    END IF;
END;
/
```

### Program #24:-

```
CREATE OR REPLECE PROCADURE display
IS
    n NUMBER;
    CURSOR emp_cur IS SELECT ename, sal, job FROM emp;
    TYPE emp_tab IS TABLE OF emp_cur%ROWTYPE;
    v_emp_tab emp_tab%ROWTYPE;
BEGIN
    FOR v_emp_cur IN emp_cur
```

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## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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```
LOOP
  n:=n+1;
  v_emp_tab(n).ename:=v_emp_cur.ename;
  v_emp_tab(n):=v_emp_cur.sal;
  v_emp_tab(n).job:=v_emp_cur.job;
  FOR n IN v_emp_tab.FIRST..v_emp_tab.LAST LOOP
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUTLINE(RPAD(v_emp_tab(i).ename,10) | | v_emp_tab(i).sal,v_emp_tab(i).job);
  END LOOP;
END display;
```

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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### Solutions for PL/SQL Program Mistakes

#### Program #1:-

- 1) A single quote is missing in 'FMSSSSSth'

#### Program #2:-

- 1) Additional single quote is required to display like Today's string.

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Today"s Date is ' || SYSDATE);
END;
/
```

#### Program #3:-

- 1) RETURN keyword should be there in the TYPE definition

## Learn PL/SQL from Mistakes

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```
CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE global_pkg
IS
    CURSOR ref_c IS SELECT line FROM user_source;
    TYPE ref_t IS REF CURSOR RETURN ref_c%ROWTYPE;
END global_pkg;
/
```

### Program #4:-

- 1) Replace "DECLARE" with "IS"

### Program #5:-

- 1) We should NOT declare "i" variable as "i" is implicitly declaring by FOR
- 2) We should NOT give  $i:=i+1$  as increment is implicit in FOR

```
BEGIN
    FOR i IN 1..10 LOOP
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE(i*i);
    END LOOP;
END;
/
```

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### Program #6:-

- 1) Remove size 4000 with CLOB in DECLARE Section

### Program #7:-

- 1) Remove size in %TYPE

### Program #8:-

- 1) Replace DBMS\_SQL with DBMS.Utility

### Program #9:-

- 1) Add the line tp\_v.EXTEND;

```
DECLARE
  str VARCHAR2(20);
  TYPE tp IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL;
  tp_v tp:=tp();
```

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```
BEGIN
    tp_v.EXTEND;
    tp_v(1) := 'Oracle';
END;
/
```

### Program #10:-

1) cur\_v as a 1st parameter to DBMS\_SQLPARSE

```
DECLARE
    cur_v  PLS_INTEGER;
    flag   PLS_INTEGER;
    str    VARCHAR2(200);
BEGIN
    str := 'UPDATE emp SET sal = sal + 1000 WHERE deptno = 20';
    cur_v := DBMS_SQL.OPEN_CURSOR();
    DBMS_SQLPARSE(cur_v, str, DBMS_SQL.NATIVE);
    flag := DBMS_SQLEXECUTE(cur_v);
    IF flag = 0 THEN
        DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Nothing Updated');
    ELSIF flag = 1 THEN
```

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```
DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('One Record Updated');
ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('More than One Record Updated');
END IF;
END;
/
```

### Program #11:-

- 1) In IF condition, mistake in "student\_rec.phone". It should be like this "student\_rec.student\_rec.phone"

### Program #12:-

- 1) We need to replace the following

BEFORE UPDATE ON emp  
BEFORE INSERT ON emp  
BEFORE DELETE ON emp

with BEFORE UPDATE OR INSERT OR DELETE ON emp

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```
CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER emp
  BEFORE UPDATE OR INSERT OR DELETE ON emp
DECLARE
BEGIN
  IF TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'DY', 'NLS_DATE_LANGUAGE=ENGLISH') IN ('SAT', 'SUN') THEN
    RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000, 'Customers maintained Monday-Friday only.');
  END IF;
END;
/
```

### Program #13:-

- 1) Replace "," with || (pipe) in DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE of the Procedure emp\_list
- 2) RETURN NUMBER is required in Function definition

### Program #14:-

- 1) Replace "ELSEIF" with "ELSIF"
- 2) Replace "ENDIF" with "END IF"

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### Program #15:-

- 1) Remove size in RETURN datatype i.e., replace VARCHAR2(20) with VARCHAR2
- 2) Remove DECLARE keyword

### Program #16:-

- 1) WHEN OTHERS THEN - should be at end
- 2) INTO Clause is mandatory in PL/SQL SELECT Statement
- 3) Replace ename, job, sal with ename\_v, job\_v, salary\_v respectively

### Program #17:-

- 1) RETURN type is missing
- 2) IS keyword is missing
- 3) remove DECLARE keyword
- 4) := is the assignment operator
- 5) should not assig a value to IN type argument (for "n" parameter)

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### **Program #18:-**

- 1) Remove "CREATE OR REPLACE" before the "PROCEDURE" keyword
- 2) Procedure parameter type should be "IN OUT", so replace "IN" with "IN OUT" for "p1" and "p2" parameters

### **Program #19:-**

- 1) "RAISE APPLICATION\_ERROR" is a single work, underscore between RAISE and APPLICATION words
- 2) ON keyword is required before the Table Name "emp" in Trigger definition, i.e., ON emp

### **Program #20:-**

- 1) Piple Symbol "||" in place of "," in DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE
- 2) Cursor name "emp\_cur" instead of record name "emp\_rec" in CLOSE statement
- 3) WHEN OTHERS THEN should be at end

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### Program #21:-

- 1) emp\_cur is ROWTYPE in the DECLARE Part
- 2) Replace "," with Pipe Symbol "||" in DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE(RPAD(emp\_rec.ename,10), emp\_rec.sal);
- 3) Replace ROWTYPE with ROWCOUNT in MOD(emp\_cur%ROWCOUNT, 2)
- 4) Give cursor name with CLOSE

### Program #22:-

- 1) nums\_p(i) in place of nums\_p in the expression avg\_v := avg\_v + nums\_p / nums\_p.COUNT;  
i.e., avg\_v := avg\_v + nums\_p(i) / nums\_p.COUNT;
- 2) RETURN avg\_v; statement is required after END LOOP in the FUNCTION definition
- 3) avg\_fun(nums\_v) in place of avg\_fun in DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE

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### Program #23:-

- 1) Add FOR EACH ROW to the Trigger Definition
- 2) Replace "IS" with "DECLARE"
- 3) First parameter value in RAISE\_APPLICATION\_ERROR should be in the range -20000 to -20999

### Program #24:-

- 1) Spelling mistakes in REPLACE and PROCEDURE
- 2) Remove %ROWTYPE in v\_emp\_tab varible declaration
- 3) Initialize "n" with ZERO
- 4) Replace "i" with "n" in DBMS\_OUTPUT\_LINE
- 5) Replace "PUTLINE" with "PUT\_LINE"

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- 6) Replace "," with "||" in DBMS\_OUTPUT.PUT\_LINE
- 7) Give END LOOP for 2nd FOR ..... LOOP
- 8) Give column name "sal" along with v\_emp\_tab(n) i.e., replace v\_emp\_tab(n) with v\_emp\_tab(n).sal



Thank you !!!!

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