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# **XQuery Introduction / Intermediate**

**Duration: 2 days** 

#### Overview:

XQuery is a language for querying XML data and documents that is currently being developed by the W3C. This tutorial covers the basics of XQuery from a technical perspective. It provides attendees with a solid understanding of the syntax and structure of XQuery expressions. Emphasis is on practical examples and hands-on participation from the attendees.

With the XQuery, you finally have a tool that will make it much easier to search, extract and manipulate information from XML content stored in databases. Aspect Training's XQuery Introduction course not only walks you through the XQuery specification, but also teaches you how to program with this widely anticipated query language.

Aspect Training's XQuery Introduction course is for query writers who have some knowledge of XML basics, but not necessarily advanced knowledge of XML-related technologies. On this course you will also learn about XQuery's support for filtering, sorting, and grouping data, as well as how to use FLWOR expressions, XPath, and XQuery tools for extracting and combining information.

Aspect Training's XQuery Introduction course will show you how to apply all of these tools to a wide variety of data sources, and how to recombine information from multiple sources into a single final output result. Whether you're coming from SQL, XSLT, or starting from scratch, this carefully paced course is for you.

## **Prerequisites:**

A working knowledge of XML is required for this course.

## **Topics:**

### 1 - The Need for XQuery

Why Not SQL?

XSLT and XPath as Query Languages

The Structure of XQuery

Assignments with let

Iterations with for

Returning Results

Conditional Logic

**Defining Functions** 

## 2 - Extensions and Modular XQuery

Extending XQuery with Libraries

Importing Modules
Invoking External Functions
Using Library Modules Effectively
3 - XPathXQuery Applications
Viewing XML
Creating an XQuery Pipeline
HTML: A Regional Weather Report
Making the Table More Sophisticated
Parameterized XQuery
SVG: Graphing from XQuery
Syndication with RSS
Building an XQuery Syndication Engine
4 - Working with the XPath 2.0 Data Model
XML Infosets
Node Values and Types
Types and Type Systems
Schemas and Complex Types
Validation Produces Type Annotations
Sequence Types
Static Typing
5 - Understanding XQuery Semantics
XQuery Semantics Introduction
Processing Model for XQuery
Differences Between XQuery and XQuery Core
XQuery Data Model
Schemas and Types
Functions
Notation
Expression of Semantics in XQuery
Type Level
Type Level Function Semantics

Enhancing XQuery with Pragmas and Extensions

A Relational-to-Object Database: Concept Mapping SQL Concepts

Relational Technology

Oracle 9i XQuery Support

IBM DB2 XQuery Support

GoXML DB XQuery Support

# 7 - Generating XML and HTML Using XQuery

Tools for Generating Web Pages

A Photo Album Application

Generating the Overview Page

Generating the Picture Pages

Comparing XSLT and XQuery

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