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## Changing a Database Name Using NEWID

By Tom Roehr, Senior Consultant

One of the many tasks a DBA will perform is cloning a database. Usually this is done from a production database to a quality assurance or test database to provide production volume data. If the database is on a virtual machine, cloning could occur at the VM level.

Cloning does exactly what it means, creating an exact duplicate of a database. Unfortunately, that ends up with you having two databases with the same name and DBID in your network. Sometimes you can resolve it sufficiently with aliasing at the TNSNAMES level. [Read More](#)

## SQL Server and HA - What You Need to Know Before You Decide

by Shawn Meyers (@1dizzygoose), Principal Architect

In this post I will discuss High Availability (HA) and list native SQL Server types with their pros and cons. This is a brief overview and while there is a lot more to each of these topics, I will be covering the basics. [Read More](#)

### An Interview - Backups & Recoverability - Part 3

by Jim Hannan, Principal Architect  
Joe Grant, Principal Architect

This is the third part of a recent interview between Jim Hannan and his colleague, and fellow Principal Architect Joe Grant, who has completed over 100 restores in his more than 10 years as an Oracle DBA for his insights regarding best practices for backups and recoverability. [Read More](#)

### An Interview - Backups & Recoverability - Part 4

by Jim Hannan, Principal Architect  
Joe Grant, Principal Architect

In this final part of a recent interview between Jim Hannan and his colleague, and fellow Principal Architect Joe Grant, Joe shares his favorite RMAN restore war story. [Read More](#)

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