Page Life Expectancy and What It's Telling You

by Aamir Syed, Senior Consultant

SQL Server keeps data pages in memory for quicker access rather than reading from disk every time. Now, keep in mind that Page Life Expectancy doesn't prove or disprove anything on its own. It's simply a symptom of potential memory pressure. If you think that your server is suffering from some sort of memory pressure, this is just one piece of a bigger puzzle that can help point you in the right direction.

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Presenter: Mike Stone, Lead Architect & CIO

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Oracle and VMware Announce Oracle Cloud VMware Solution

by Dave Welch , CTO & Chief Evangelist

Today at Oracle Open World, Larry Ellison announced what a simulcast VMware blog calls Oracle Cloud VMware Solution (OCVS). I'm thinking Larry announced OVM's deprecation. But we'll get to that later. Here's what Larry said in less than a minute and a half using a single slide:

"We've got a close partnership with VMware per the agreement we just signed, we're the only cloud that will allow you to manage your own VMware stack. What I mean by that is if your VMware stack that you're running on-prem right now, you can lift and shift it intact to the Oracle cloud. You can use your existing tools, your existing operational procedures. Or you can take your on-prem VMware environment and link it up to OCI. We let you really control version management, operations, upgrade time of the VMware stack, making it easy, enabling you to migrate, if that's what you want to do, it enables you to migrate from on-prem into the cloud with almost no change - virtually no change. A very big deal. A very important announcement…"

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Fireman's Retirement System of St. Louis v. Oracle Executives
by Dave Welch , CTO & Chief Evangelist

Firefighter's Retirement System of St. Louis sued Oracle executives and Oracle's board on May 8, 2017 over allegations of conflicted and self-serving actions, in causing Oracle Corporation to pay an inflated price for NetSuite. The lawsuit's allegations include that the inflated price inappropriately enriched Larry Ellison, his family members, trusts for the family members' benefit, and related entities who together were the majority shareholders of NetSuite. The lawsuit also alleges that two NetSuite executives were complicit.

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How to Eat an Elephant - Getting Started with Large Projects
by Joe Grant, Principal Architect

Through the years, I have been assigned to several projects that can be considered large migrations. Some were just database migrations, but many of them included a variety of different applications. Other examples of large projects include platform migrations, migrating databases from AIX to Linux on x86_64, or simply moving everything in datacenter A to datacenter B (and had no database component to it at all). As one works through these large projects, there are several aspects of project planning and management that need to be addressed, which do not necessarily come up during smaller projects. porting resources.

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