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# SPOTLIGHT EXCEL PIVOT TABLES



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# Who am I?





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# Finish this sentence...

# I want to learn about Pivot Tables because



# **Class Overview**

- 1. What is a Pivot Table and Why Should I Care?
- 2. Example: LEGOs
- 3. Learning the Lingo
- 4. Example: Salsa Log
- 5. How I Made \$70,000 Using Pivot Tables
- 6. 10 Minute Break
- 7. Mini-Workshop: Build Your Own Pivot Tables
- 8. Recap Discussion
- 9. Class Evaluation

10. Q & A



# What is a Pivot Table?

### Wikipedia:

"A **pivot table** is a table of grouped values that aggregates the individual items of a more extensive table (such as from a database, spreadsheet, or business intelligence program) within one or more discrete categories. This summary might include sums, averages, or other statistics, which the pivot table groups together using a chosen aggregation function applied to the grouped values."



# Huh?

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## **Example: LEGOs** Not Just Fun & Games

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# **Starts with a Question...**

- 1. How many batches of Red LEGO bricks were manufactured? *(Conditional Formatting)*
- 2. How many batches of LEGOs were manufactured in Kansas in 2018? *(Sorting)*
- 3. What is the total number of green rectangular LEGOS that were manufactured after 12 pm? *(Filtering)*
- 4. What is the average # of defective units that were produced in Florida in batches of over 5,000 units?
   (Advanced Formulas)



# What's Wrong With This?

- 1. Manual  $\rightarrow$  Errors
- 2. Time Consuming
- 3. Information Overload
- 4. Difficult to Change
- 5. Tunnel Vision



# You want me to do what???



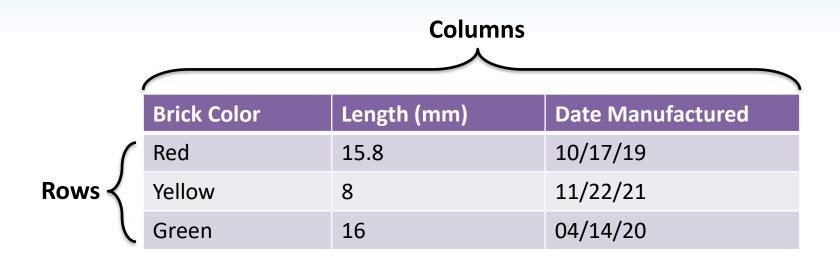


# Learning the Lingo

## What **should** have been taught in school...



# **The Data Table**



- **Column** = Type of data / attribute / field / category
- **Row** = Individual record / particular instance of a specific member of the table



# **The Pivot Table Builder**

1. **Fields** = Choose a category of data (same as columns from the data table)

5. Filters = Show/hide data in your Pivot Table

2. **Rows** = Group your data (displayed in rows)

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Search	P
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Drag fields between areas below:	

# ▼ Filters III Columns Non-Essential ■ Rows Σ Values

4. **Columns** = Group your data (displayed in columns)

3. **Values** = Summarize your data (e.g. SUM, AVERAGE, COUNT, etc.)



# **Example: Salsa Log**

## They used to call me "Gringo Salsero"



**Pop Quiz** 

The key takeaway from the last example is:

- A. Pivot Tables are not intimidating
- B. Tracking side income is as easy as 1, 2, 3...5, 6, 7
- C. People love nerdy white guys who can dance

D. All of the above



# How I Made \$70,000 Using Pivot Tables

Case Study: Legal Funding Inc.



# Let's Compare...

## Before

- 1. Hundreds of errors
- 2. Slow & repetitive data entry
- 3. Inaccessible data
- 4. Tedious & limited reporting
- 5. Uninformed decisions

## After

- 1. Zero errors
- 2. Fast & efficient data entry
- 3. Search data in seconds
- 4. Instant & unlimited reporting
- 5. Informed decisions



# **10 Minute Break**



# **How to Create a Pivot Table**

1. Select Data & Insert Pivot Table 2. Ask Questions 3. Group Data Memory Trick: SAGES 4. Experiment 5. Show Pivot Table



## Mini Workshop: Build Your Own Pivot Tables

#### **Remember SAGES...**

- 1. Select Data & Insert Pivot Table
- **2.** Ask Questions
- 3. Group Data
- 4. Experiment
- 5. Show Pivot Table

### **Create 1 Pivot Table to Answer Each Question:**

- 1. How many restaurants are there of each cuisine type? (Hint: use Count, not SUM)
- 2. Which neighborhood is the most expensive?
- 3. Which restaurants have a rating of 4 or above and recommend reservations? (Hint: use Restaurant Name, not cuisine type)
- 4. \*Show a breakdown of the average price per person of restaurants that contain the word "American" in their cuisine type, broken down by formality level, and only located in Manhattan (City = "New York").
- 5. Ask your own question and answer it using a pivot table.



# Recap: When Should I Use a Pivot Table?

- 1. Find a Quick Answer to a Question
- 2. Discover Trends
- 3. Create Reports
- 4. Create Dashboards
- 5. Impress the Pants Off Your Boss!



## Recap: Why Should I Use a Pivot Table?

- 1. Quick Setup Time
- 2. Powerful Analysis
- 3. Relevant Data
- 4. Customizable
- 5. No Manual Work...Ever Again!



# **Class Evaluation**











# **Thank You!**



