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# **About This PeopleBook**

PeopleBooks provide you with the information that you need to implement and use PeopleSoft applications.

This preface discusses:

- PeopleSoft application prerequisites.
- PeopleSoft application fundamentals.
- Documentation updates and printed documentation.
- · Additional resources.
- Typographical conventions and visual cues.
- Comments and suggestions.
- Common elements in PeopleBooks.

**Note.** PeopleBooks document only page elements, such as fields and check boxes, that require additional explanation. If a page element is not documented with the process or task in which it is used, then either it requires no additional explanation or it is documented with common elements for the section, chapter, PeopleBook, or product line. Elements that are common to all PeopleSoft applications are defined in this preface.

## **PeopleSoft Application Prerequisites**

To benefit fully from the information that is covered in these books, you should have a basic understanding of how to use PeopleSoft applications.

You might also want to complete at least one PeopleSoft introductory training course, if applicable.

You should be familiar with navigating the system and adding, updating, and deleting information by using PeopleSoft menus, and pages, forms, or windows. You should also be comfortable using the World Wide Web and the Microsoft Windows or Windows NT graphical user interface.

These books do not review navigation and other basics. They present the information that you need to use the system and implement your PeopleSoft applications most effectively.

## **PeopleSoft Application Fundamentals**

Each application PeopleBook provides implementation and processing information for your PeopleSoft applications. For some applications, additional, essential information describing the setup and design of your system appears in a companion volume of documentation called the application fundamentals PeopleBook. Most PeopleSoft product lines have a version of the application fundamentals PeopleBook. The preface of each PeopleBook identifies the application fundamentals PeopleBooks that are associated with that PeopleBook.

The application fundamentals PeopleBook consists of important topics that apply to many or all PeopleSoft applications across one or more product lines. Whether you are implementing a single application, some combination of applications within the product line, or the entire product line, you should be familiar with the contents of the appropriate application fundamentals PeopleBooks. They provide the starting points for fundamental implementation tasks.

## **Documentation Updates and Printed Documentation**

This section discusses how to:

- Obtain documentation updates.
- Order printed documentation.

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**Important!** Before you upgrade, you must check PeopleSoft Customer Connection for updates to the upgrade instructions. PeopleSoft continually posts updates as the upgrade process is refined.

### See Also

PeopleSoft Customer Connection, https://www.peoplesoft.com/corp/en/login.jsp

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- Web
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- Email

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### See Also

PeopleSoft Customer Connection, https://www.peoplesoft.com/corp/en/login.jsp

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Resource	Navigation	
Application maintenance information	Updates + Fixes	
Business process diagrams	Support, Documentation, Business Process Maps	
Interactive Services Repository	Interactive Services Repository	
Hardware and software requirements	Implement, Optimize + Upgrade, Implementation Guide Implementation Documentation & Software, Hardware a Software Requirements	
Installation guides	Implement, Optimize + Upgrade, Implementation Guide, Implementation Documentation & Software, Installation Guides and Notes	
Integration information	Implement, Optimize + Upgrade, Implementation Guide, Implementation Documentation and Software, Pre-built Integrations for PeopleSoft Enterprise and PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne Applications	
Minimum technical requirements (MTRs) (EnterpriseOne only)	Implement, Optimize + Upgrade, Implementation Guide, Supported Platforms	
PeopleBook documentation updates	Support, Documentation, Documentation Updates	
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Product release roadmap	Support, Roadmaps + Schedules	
Release notes	Support, Documentation, Documentation Updates, Category, Release Notes	
Release value proposition	Support, Documentation, Documentation Updates, Category, Release Value Proposition	
Statement of direction	Support, Documentation, Documentation Updates, Category, Statement of Direction	

Resource	Navigation	
Troubleshooting information	Support, Troubleshooting	
Upgrade documentation	Support, Documentation, Upgrade Documentation and Scripts	

# **Typographical Conventions and Visual Cues**

This section discusses:

- Typographical conventions.
- Visual cues.
- Country, region, and industry identifiers.
- · Currency codes.

# **Typographical Conventions**

This table contains the typographical conventions that are used in PeopleBooks:

Typographical Convention or Visual Cue	Description
Bold	Indicates PeopleCode function names, business function names, event names, system function names, method names, language constructs, and PeopleCode reserved words that must be included literally in the function call.
Italics	Indicates field values, emphasis, and PeopleSoft or other book-length publication titles. In PeopleCode syntax, italic items are placeholders for arguments that your program must supply.  We also use italics when we refer to words as words or letters as letters, as in the following: Enter the letter <i>O</i> .
Key+Key	Indicates a key combination action. For example, a plus sign (+) between keys means that you must hold down the first key while you press the second key. For ALT+W, hold down the ALT key while you press the W key.
Monospace font	Indicates a PeopleCode program or other code example.
"" (quotation marks)	Indicate chapter titles in cross-references and words that are used differently from their intended meanings.

Typographical Convention or Visual Cue	Description	
(ellipses)	Indicate that the preceding item or series can be repeated any number of times in PeopleCode syntax.	
{ } (curly braces)	Indicate a choice between two options in PeopleCode syntax. Options are separated by a pipe ( ).	
[](square brackets)	Indicate optional items in PeopleCode syntax.	
& (ampersand)	When placed before a parameter in PeopleCode syntax, an ampersand indicates that the parameter is an already instantiated object.	
	Ampersands also precede all PeopleCode variables.	

## **Visual Cues**

PeopleBooks contain the following visual cues.

### **Notes**

Notes indicate information that you should pay particular attention to as you work with the PeopleSoft system.

Note. Example of a note.

If the note is preceded by *Important!*, the note is crucial and includes information that concerns what you must do for the system to function properly.

Important! Example of an important note.

### Warnings

Warnings indicate crucial configuration considerations. Pay close attention to warning messages.

Warning! Example of a warning.

### **Cross-References**

PeopleBooks provide cross-references either under the heading "See Also" or on a separate line preceded by the word *See*. Cross-references lead to other documentation that is pertinent to the immediately preceding documentation.

## Country, Region, and Industry Identifiers

Information that applies only to a specific country, region, or industry is preceded by a standard identifier in parentheses. This identifier typically appears at the beginning of a section heading, but it may also appear at the beginning of a note or other text.

Example of a country-specific heading: "(FRA) Hiring an Employee"

Example of a region-specific heading: "(Latin America) Setting Up Depreciation"

## **Country Identifiers**

Countries are identified with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) country code.

## **Region Identifiers**

Regions are identified by the region name. The following region identifiers may appear in PeopleBooks:

- · Asia Pacific
- Europe
- · Latin America
- North America

## **Industry Identifiers**

Industries are identified by the industry name or by an abbreviation for that industry. The following industry identifiers may appear in PeopleBooks:

- USF (U.S. Federal)
- E&G (Education and Government)

## **Currency Codes**

Monetary amounts are identified by the ISO currency code.

## **Comments and Suggestions**

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Or send email comments to doc@peoplesoft.com.

While we cannot guarantee to answer every email message, we will pay careful attention to your comments and suggestions.

# Common Elements Used in PeopleBooks

Address Book Number

Enter a unique number that identifies the master record for the entity. An address book number can be the identifier for a customer, supplier, company, employee, applicant, participant, tenant, location, and so on. Depending on the application, the field on the form might refer to the address book number as the customer number, supplier number, or company number, employee or applicant id, participant number, and so on.

### **As If Currency Code**

Enter the three-character code to specify the currency that you want to use to view transaction amounts. This code allows you to view the transaction amounts as if they were entered in the specified currency rather than the foreign or domestic currency that was used when the transaction was originally entered.

### **Batch Number**

Displays a number that identifies a group of transactions to be processed by the system. On entry forms, you can assign the batch number or the system can assign it through the Next Numbers program (P0002).

#### **Batch Date**

Enter the date in which a batch is created. If you leave this field blank, the system supplies the system date as the batch date.

### **Batch Status**

Displays a code from user-defined code (UDC) table 98/IC that indicates the posting status of a batch. Values are:

Blank: Batch is unposted and pending approval.

A: The batch is approved for posting, has no errors and is in balance, but it has not yet been posted.

D: The batch posted successfully.

E: The batch is in error. You must correct the batch before it can post.

P: The system is in the process of posting the batch. The batch is unavailable until the posting process is complete. If errors occur during the post, the batch status changes to E.

*U:* The batch is temporarily unavailable because someone is working with it, or the batch appears to be in use because a power failure occurred while the batch was open.

### **Branch/Plant**

Enter a code that identifies a separate entity as a warehouse location, job, project, work center, branch, or plant in which distribution and manufacturing activities occur. In some systems, this is called a business unit.

### **Business Unit**

Enter the alphanumeric code that identifies a separate entity within a business for which you want to track costs. In some systems, this is called a branch/plant.

### **Category Code**

Enter the code that represents a specific category code. Category codes are user-defined codes that you customize to handle the tracking and reporting requirements of your organization.

### **Company**

Enter a code that identifies a specific organization, fund, or other reporting entity. The company code must already exist in the F0010 table and must identify a reporting entity that has a complete balance sheet.

### **Currency Code**

Enter the three-character code that represents the currency of the transaction. PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne provides currency codes that are recognized by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The system stores currency codes in the F0013 table.

### **Document Company**

Enter the company number associated with the document. This number, used in conjunction with the document number, document type, and general ledger date, uniquely identifies an original document.

If you assign next numbers by company and fiscal year, the system uses the document company to retrieve the correct next number for that company.

If two or more original documents have the same document number and document type, you can use the document company to display the document that you want.

#### **Document Number**

Displays a number that identifies the original document, which can be a voucher, invoice, journal entry, or time sheet, and so on. On entry forms, you can assign the original document number or the system can assign it through the Next Numbers program.

### **Document Type**

Enter the two-character UDC, from UDC table 00/DT, that identifies the origin and purpose of the transaction, such as a voucher, invoice, journal entry, or time sheet. PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne reserves these prefixes for the document types indicated:

- P: Accounts payable documents.
- R: Accounts receivable documents.
- T: Time and pay documents.
- *I*: Inventory documents.
- O: Purchase order documents.
- S: Sales order documents.

### **Effective Date**

Enter the date on which an address, item, transaction, or record becomes active. The meaning of this field differs, depending on the program. For example, the effective date can represent any of these dates:

- The date on which a change of address becomes effective.
- The date on which a lease becomes effective
- The date on which a price becomes effective.
- The date on which the currency exchange rate becomes effective.
- The date on which a tax rate becomes effective.

# Fiscal Period and Fiscal Year

Enter a number that identifies the general ledger period and year. For many programs, you can leave these fields blank to use the current fiscal period and year defined in the Company Names & Number program (P0010)

# G/L Date (general ledger date)

Enter the date that identifies the financial period to which a transaction will be posted. The system compares the date that you enter on the transaction to the fiscal date pattern assigned to the company to retrieve the appropriate fiscal period number and year, as well as to perform date validations.

# **Data Dictionary Preface**

This preface discusses the Data Dictionary PeopleBook.

# **PeopleSoft Products**

This PeopleBook refers to this PeopleSoft product line: PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne Tools.

# **PeopleSoft Tools Data Dictionary**

This PeopleBook covers Data Dictionary (DD), a member of the PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne Tools suite. DD is used to create data types for PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications. Its chapters describe DD items in general, how to set up specific automatic processing of certain data types, and how to configure DD items to support different terms across industries as well as different languages.

Preface

## CHAPTER 1

# Getting Started with PeopleSoft Tools Data Dictionary

This chapter provides an overview of the data dictionary (DD).

# **PeopleSoft Tools Data Dictionary Overview**

Use DD to create or modify DD items for use in PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications. DD items not only define and describe data, but they also can trigger the runtime engine to react or process in certain ways by nature of their types. Furthermore, online help, error messages, term substitutions for different industries, and translations are all tied to DD items.

### Other Sources of Information

In the planning phase of the implementation, take advantage of all PeopleSoft sources of information, including the installation guides and troubleshooting information. A complete list of these resources appears in the preface in *About These PeopleBooks*, with information about where to find the most current version of each.

### See Also

About These PeopleBooks Preface

# **PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne Tools Data Dictionary Implementation**

To use DD to work with the PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications, these tasks must be completed first:

- You must have a valid PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne user account.
  - Depending on how security has been configured, you might need one or more roles assigned to you so that you can access Object Management Workbench (OMW), the PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne databases, and so forth.
- OMW must be configured with transfer activity rules and allowed actions so that application development can occur.
- At a minimum, you must have a default project in OMW to which you have been added in the role of Developer.

## CHAPTER 2

# **Understanding the Data Dictionary**

This chapter discusses the data dictionary (DD).

# The Data Dictionary

A data dictionary item identifies a unit of information. The DD item definition defines how the item can be used and includes information such as the type of item and its length. Most of the fields in PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications are actually DD items. At runtime, PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications (such as those in Accounts Payable or Sales Order Management) access the DD and reflect the assigned attributes in any of these fields:

Just as a dictionary contains word definitions, the PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne DD is a central repository that contains all of the database data items that are used in all of the PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications. Each data item in the dictionary is defined by a number of attributes that describe parameters such as the data type, data length, and so forth. The system performs automatic error checking against these parameters when users enter values during runtime.

Additionally, DD item attributes define how the DD item should appear when placed on a form or report, including its title and whether to display default values. Also, all DD items have an associated glossary in which you can enter text. If the DD item is included on a form, this text appears when the user presses F1, and so is sometimes referred to as F1 Help. The system also displays the glossary text under certain circumstances, such as for the content of an error message.

DD items are the foundation of PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne objects. You create DD items for use as fields on a form, columns in a table, fields in a business view (BV), members of a data structure, fields on a report, and so on. Because the DD is dynamic, any changes that you make to a DD item are effective immediately for all applications that include the DD item. Applications access the DD at runtime and immediately reflect modifications to DD item attributes such as field descriptions, column headings, decimals, and edit rules.

This is a list of the parameters that define DD items:

- Display Decimals
- File Decimals
- Alpha Description
- Data Type
- Size
- Glossary
- Allow Blank Entry \*
- Upper Case Only \*

- All Triggers \*
- Row and Column Headings \*

The application retrieves field information from the DD. Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) can be overridden in Form Design Aid (FDA) and Report Design Aid (RDA). In these instances, the application retrieves the overrides, if any exist.

Create new DD items and view existing ones with the Object Management Workbench (OMW) or the Data Dictionary Application program (P92001). After you create a DD item, use the Data Dictionary Application program to define jargon and language translations for it.

Use Data Dictionary Application to create, view, and update attributes for DD items. You can copy a DD item with similar attributes and modify it for the specific needs. This method can be quicker and easier than creating a new DD item, but if you use this method you must distinguish between the original and the copy. You distinguish between them by modifying the alias.

Because changes to a DD item are immediately reflected throughout the PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne tools at runtime, remember that changing the type and attributes of a DD item might affect how the data is stored and cause discrepancies among records.

**Note.** The DD does not verify whether a DD item is used by an application when you delete it. If you delete a DD item that an application uses, that application will fail.

Glossary items are items that cannot be attributes in tables. Glossary items are typically used as information messages.

Error messages used in PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne are stored as DD items. Error messages do not use all the fields that are required for regular DD items, so you need to use the DD glossary item application to display error messages.

## CHAPTER 3

# Working with the Data Dictionary

This chapter discusses where data dictionary (DD) items are stored and the different types of DD triggers.

# **Data Dictionary and Data Dictionary Item Storage**

DD items reside on enterprise (logic) servers in relational database tables. Workstations retrieve from the publisher DD (the relational database tables) only those DD items that are necessary for the applications being used. Replication occurs when you use an application for the first time after installing PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne. The DD information is stored on each workstation in a permanent cache under the same local path code and spec directory as these global tables:

- glbltbl.xdb (references for the data)
- glbltbl.ddb (the DD items)

If DD items have been changed and you want to replicate the changes to workstations immediately, you must use the Data Replication (P98DREP) application. When you have data replication set up and an item is changed, the next time that a subscriber machine signs on to the system, the permanent cache for that DD item will be deleted. Then, the next time that a user accesses an application that has the changed DD item, the system detects that the information is not in the permanent cache and retrieves the information from the publisher DD (the relational database tables).

If you use PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne software in coexistence with PeopleSoft World software, you must maintain two DDs. You cannot share one DD because in PeopleSoft World software, the \$ is reserved for business partners and is used for the beginning of an alias. The \$ does not compile and, thus, cannot be shared with PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne software. Some of the file formats in PeopleSoft World software are also different.

### See Also

EnterpriseOne Tools 8.94 PeopleBook: System Administration, "Administering the Data Dictionary"

## **Data Dictionary Triggers**

A *trigger* is an editing or display routine that is attached at the dictionary level and initiated at runtime. Triggers are reusable objects and, therefore, automatically associated with each application that uses the DD item. Triggers save time and increase the usefulness of the code because you can create the business logic only once and then use it within multiple applications. Triggers ensure accuracy and integrity of data across all applications.

Use triggers to perform these tasks:

- Establish field default values.
- Link DD items to a user-defined code (UDC) table of values.
- Activate a visual assist search program when a user positions the cursor in a field.
- Establish rules and procedures that are embedded in the editing and formatting of the data for a field.
- Determine a next number scheme that developers should use when assigning a number to data.

Although you can override any of these triggers in Form Design Aid (FDA), you should anticipate how the DD item will most often be used to reduce the need for overrides.

PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne provides a variety of trigger types:

- · Default value
- · Visual assist
- Edit rule
- Display rule
- Next number
- · Smart field

## **Default Value Triggers**

A default value trigger is the value assigned to the object based on that DD item when the object is blank.

## **Visual Assist Triggers**

A DD item with an associated *visual assist trigger* displays the visual assist button at runtime. These types of visual assist triggers are available:

Search form

This visual assist loads the selected search & select form to assist users in selecting values. The search & select form must exist before you attach a search form trigger. Also, the form must display table values only; it cannot display UDC values.

Calculator

This visual assist provides an on-screen calculator to assist users in deriving mathematical values.

Calendar

This visual assist provides an on-screen calendar to assist users in selecting dates.

## **Edit Rule Triggers**

Use *edit rule triggers* to validate field values that are based on business functions or rules (logic that you write yourself). For example, you can define an edit rule trigger that performs these functions:

- Validates and compares a field with a particular value.
- Ensures that a field value is within a specified range of values.
- Links a field to a specific UDC search & select form.
- · Checks for Y and N values.

To base the trigger on a business function, then the business function must already exist. To base the trigger on a rule, build the validation logic at the time that you define the trigger. These rules can include UDCs such as:

- EQ: Equal
- GE: Greater or Equal
- · GT: Greater
- · HNDL: Table Handle
- LE: Less Than or Equal
- LT: Less Than
- NE: Not Equal
- NRANGE: Not Between
- RANGE: Between
- UDC: User Defined Code
- VALUE: In a List
- ZLNGTH: Allocated Length (VARLEN flds)

## **Display Rule Triggers**

Use a *display rule trigger* to format data. You attach a display rule trigger based on either a business function or a UDC. To base the trigger on a business function, then the business function must already exist. To base the trigger on a rule, indicate the formatting at the time that you define the trigger with one of these codes:

\*RAB

Right-adjusts the value and precedes it with blanks. DD items that define business units use this rule.

• \*RABN

Right-adjusts the value and precedes it with blanks. DD items that do not define business units use this rule.

\*RAZ

Right-adjusts the value and precedes it with zeroes. For example, Company appears as 00001.

• CODE

Uses the specified edit codes to format numeric fields. See UDC 98/EC for a list of valid codes. The code should be entered into the parameter field.

MASK

Embeds the specified characters within the data when it appears. For example, to display social security number (SSN) with embedded dashes, the mask parameter would appear as in this example:

bbb-bb-bbbb, where b corresponds to each digit in the social security number.

Mask can be used only with char or string DD item types.

## **Next Number Triggers**

The *next number* trigger controls the automatic numbering for such items as new general ledger account numbers, voucher numbers, and address numbers. It enables you to specify the numbering system code to use and automatically increments numbers to reduce transpositions and keying errors.

Use the next number trigger to enter a default value in a numeric DD item if the user does not enter a number. Next numbers are assigned from an array. The combination of system code and index defines how the next number will be assigned.

F0002 has this logic:

• One record per system and 10-element array.

The key to F0002 is system code. The table includes 10 columns for individual next number elements. The system uses each of these elements for a specific hard code within the applications for that system code.

For example, if you specify system code 09 in the next numbers trigger, six rows are populated and four are blank. The system uses each of these coded, populated rows as hard code. The first row defines New Account ID. Within PeopleSoft EnterpriseOne applications that create new accounts, the system retrieves the account number from system 09, row 1 of the F0002 table. Row 2 contains Journal Entries. In a master business function that creates journal entry documents, the system retrieves the document number from system 09, row 2 of the F0002 table.

If you specify system 04 in the Next Numbers trigger, the system uses a separate set of rows that have hard codes for use within system 04.

· Check digits.

Check digits (sometimes called a Modulus 11 check) enables you to specify whether the system adds a number to the end of each next number that it assigns.

For example, if you are using check digits and the next number is 2, the system adds a check digit such as 7, making the last two numbers 27. Check digits provide a method of randomly incrementing numbers to prevent the assignment of transposed numbers. In the algorithm in this topic, the system would never assign next number 72 while the check digits feature is activated.

## **IBM Modulus 11 Self-Check Algorithm**

Each position in the base number has a weight factor. Modulus 11 counts positions from the right-most digit (not including the check digit).

The Modulus 11 weight factors are 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 2 for positions 1 to 31, respectively.

After you set next numbers, do not change them. If you change next numbers, these issues might occur:

- System performance will be affected.
- Next numbers functionality will not duplicate numbers; when it reaches the maximum, it will start over.
- You will not be able to change position or add a new entry without modifying the program.

Next numbers connect to the DD. A DD item in the DD points to the next numbers system which you can manipulate with the Next Numbers application (P0002).

## **Smart Field Triggers**

Smart fields are DD items with attached business functions. The business functions include named mappings, which simplify the process of choosing a DD item with particular functionality. End-users do not need to know which business function to use and what parameters to pass; instead, the user simply selects a DD item that has this information. Smart fields can be used in all section types in Report Design Aid (RDA). For example, you can use smart fields to derive a column heading or an object value in a tabular section. Smart fields are always in glossary group K.

## CHAPTER 4

# **Defining a Data Dictionary Item**

This chapter discusses how to:

- Create a dictionary data dictionary (DD) item.
- Add glossary text for languages.
- Define jargon and alternate language terms.

## **Common Elements Used in This Chapter**

Column Title

Enter text to display on the first line of description that are used in column headings on a report or form. This description is for the base language only, unless you update the description for another language.

This description should be no larger than the DD item size, if possible. If the column heading is only one line, it should be placed in this column. Use the second line of the Column Title when one is insufficient.

**Row Description** 

Use row description in a manner similar to the column description in the query facility. The row description that identifies fields on forms and reports. This description is for the base language only, unless you update the description for another language. It should be less than 35 characters. Use abbreviations whenever possible. Common abbreviations are:

• U/M: Units of measure

• YTD: Year-to-date

• MTD: Month-to-date

PYE: Prior year end

· QTY: Quantity

• G/L: General ledger

• A/P: Accounts payable

• DEPR: Depreciation

# **Creating a Data Dictionary Item**

This section discusses how to create a DD item.

When you create a new DD item, the system prompts you to indicate whether the DD item will be a glossary DD item.

## Forms Used to Create a Data Dictionary Item

Form Name	Form ID	Navigation	Usage
Add EnterpriseOne Object to the Project	W98220C	Click the Add button on the Object Management Workbench form.	Create a DD item.
Data Item Specifications	W92001C	Select Data Item on the Add EnterpriseOne Object to the Project form. When prompted, indicate the DD item type you want to create.	Define the DD item specifications. Attach default triggers, if needed. If creating a glossary DD item, write the glossary.
Smart Field Criteria	W9212A	Enter K in the Glossary Group field on the Data Item Specifications form. Select Smart Fields from the Form menu.	Select the business function that was created for the smart field. Select the event in which the smart field should be triggered. Select the named mapping that is associated with the business function data structure.

## **Creating a Data Dictionary Item**

To create a DD item:

Access the Data Item Specifications form.

Alias Enter a code that identifies and defines a unit of information. It is an

alphanumeric code up to eight characters long that does not allow blanks or special characters such as %, &, or +. You create new DD items using system

codes 55-59. You cannot change the alias.

**Allow Blank Entry** Set this flag to indicate whether blank values can be written to the database.

Select this option to allow blank entry under these conditions:

• If the field is edited against a user-defined code (UDC) table, a blank value will be allowed regardless of whether a blank value is valid for the table.

• If the field is specified to be a mandatory entry, a blank value will be

allowed as a valid entry.

**Auto Include** Set this flag to indicate whether this column should be automatically included

in all database fetches to tables that contain this item. This option should only be selected for items that are essential for certain database trigger processes or

security validation.

Class Enter a code that defines the DD item class. The class defines the essential

attributes and characteristics of a DD item and is informational only.

### **Control Type**

Enter a code that defines the type of graphical user control that is associated with the DD item. For example, a DD item can appear as a push button, check box, and so on.

Control type is used by Form Design Aid (FDA) to automatically add the correct control to a form for a specific DD item. For example, if a DD item will normally be used as a check box, then the DD control type should be a check box. When you use Quick Form, the DD item will default as a check box control instead of a generic edit on the form.

You can override this setting in FDA; however, you should anticipate how it will most commonly be used to reduce the need for overrides.

Enter a text string used to identify the DD item. It is a 32-character, alphabetical field that does not allow blanks or special characters such as % &, . +. The field cannot be changed after you save the DD item.

Enter an identifier of the style or classification of data, such as numeric, alphabetic, and date. Do not change the DD item data type if it is used within an existing application. Data types include these:

- Character: A single letter, always the size of one.
- Date: A date.
- Integer: An integer.
- Character (Blob): An item that can be translated from EBCDIC (8-bit character code commonly used on IBM mainframes) to ASCII (7-bit character code).
- Binary (Blob): An item that cannot be translated, appears in machine code, and is found as an executable file under Win.help.
- Binary: An option that represents two choices.

It is usually a combination of the digits 1 and 0 to represent on and off or true and false.

- String: An item that is always the same size or length.
- Variable String: An item of variable size.
- UTime: An item that allows business process to span several time zones.
- Identifier (ID): An item that is used within the program logic for controls.

An ID is used to write a C program and reference third-party software that returns a pointer. An API then saves the pointer that references the ID. The parameter that the system passes to the C program is the ID.

• Numeric: A long integer.

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Enter a case-sensitive description for the DD items. The system uses this name to search for similar DD items. To enter an alpha description, follow these conventions:

- Dates: Begin all date fields with the word, Date.
- Amounts: Begin all amount fields with the word, Amount.
- Units: Begin all unit, quantity, and volume fields with the word, Units.
- Name: Begin all 30-byte description fields with the word, Name.

**Data Item** 

**Data Type** 

**Description** 

- Prompt: Begin any Y/N prompting field with the word, Prompt.
- Address Number: Begin all address numbers (employee, customer, owner) with the word, Address Number.

### **Display Decimals**

Enter a value that designates the number of decimals in the currency, amount, or quantity fields the system displays. For example, U.S. Dollars would be two decimals, Japanese Yen would be no decimals, and Cameroon Francs would be three decimals.

### **Do Not Total**

Enter a value that identifies DD items that are applicable to one of the development platforms only. Valid values are:

- 1 Non-AS/400 system only.
- 2 AS/400 only.

Blank – DD item is valid for both platforms.

The system makes this flag available for entry if the DD item is of type numeric. When you select this option, the DD item is marked Not to total. When this item is used in a report, the item property, Suppress At Total, is marked.

### **File Decimals**

Enter a value that indicates number of stored positions to the right of the decimal of the DD item.

### **Glossary Group**

Enter a code that indicates the type of DD item. It is validated against UDC H98/DI. Items in glossary group D or S can be included in database tables. Items in other glossary groups (for example, error messages) cannot be added to a table.

The DD item names for error messages are assigned automatically. If you need to assign the own error message numbers, use 4 digit numbers greater than '5000'.

The DD item name for a non-database field (used on a video or report but not in a file - glossary group U) must begin with a #, \$ or @. For help text (glossary group H), the DD Inquiry/Revision Program field may be used to specify the name of a follow-on item. To create the own messages for the IBM message file (glossary group J), begin the DD item name with the own three characters (for example, CLT0001).

### **Item Occurrences**

Enter a value that indicates the number of array elements to create which in turn will create child items (one child per array element).

Item occurrences allows you to create an item as a child of another item. The DD verifies that attributes are consistent between the parent and the child. If you change the parent item, the changes are duplicated in the child items. The DD item names use the parent DD item name and a number, such as a parent item ABC and child items ABC1, ABC2, and so on.

The array DD item names are restricted to certain lengths depending on the number of array elements:

- 3 bytes 1 to 9 elements
- 2 bytes 10 to 99 elements
- 1 byte 100 to 999 elements

**Row Security** Set this flag to indicate whether the field can be used in setting up row security.

Within the DD, all DD items are referenced by this four-byte data name. As they are used in database tables, a two-character prefix is added to create unique data names in each table specification (DDS). If you are adding an error message, this field must be left blank. The system assigns the error message number using next numbers. The name appears on a successful add. You should assign error message numbers greater than 5000. Special characters are not allowed as part of the DD item name, with the exception of #, @, \$.

You can create protected data names by using \$xxx and @xxx, where you

define xxx.

The alias cannot be changed.

Size Enter a value that indicates the field size of the DD item.

All amount fields should be entered as 15 bytes, 0 decimals, and the DD item

type should be P (packed).

System Code Enter a value that designates the system number for the Next Number

retrieval. See UDC 98/SY.

**Upper Case Only** Set this flag to indicate whether the DD item will accept lowercase text. If

the value of this field is a Y, the user cannot enter lowercase characters into

a control based on this DD item.

## **Adding Glossary Text for Languages**

This section discusses how to add glossary text for languages.

For any DD item, you can add glossary text for different languages. For example, you can create glossary text for the base English language item and also add glossary text for French, Spanish, and German. Glossary text for languages must be added after the DD item has been created.

## Form Used to Add Glossary Text for Languages

	Form Name	Form ID	Navigation	Usage
Work w	ith Data Items	W92001B	Data Dictionary Design (GH951), Work with Data Dictionary Items	Choose a DD item for which to supply a non-English glossary.

## **Adding Glossary Text for Languages**

To add glossary text for languages:

- 1. Access Work with Data Items.
- 2. Select the DD item that you want to change.
- 3. From the Row menu, select Glossary Overrides.
- 4. On Work With Data Item Glossary Overrides, click the Add button.
- 5. On Data Item Glossary Header, complete these fields:

- Language
- Form

Enter a form name if you want the glossary to apply to a specific form only.

If you do not enter a form name, the glossary applies to all forms that use this item.

- 6. On Work with Data Item Glossary Overrides, select the row that you just added.
- 7. From the Row menu, select Glossary.
- 8. On Data Item Glossary, enter the glossary text that you want to appear.

## **Defining Jargon and Alternate Language Terms**

When you create a DD item, you assign descriptions to the row, column, and glossary. Because these descriptions might not offer the flexible terminology that you need, you can assign alternate jargon or language descriptions to each item. Alternate descriptions allow the same DD item to appear with different row, columns, and glossaries for different users, depending on the system (product) code of the object that they are using.

For example, the cost center field MCU is widely used throughout the system. Its row description is Business Unit, which is a term used by financial applications. However, in distribution applications, this DD item appears as Branch/Plant. Likewise, in warehousing applications, the DD item appears as Warehouse.

In addition to any alternate terms that you define, users can implement their own language overrides at the application level. The system checks for and resolves overrides in this order:

- 1. If a user applies a language override in the application (such as FDA or Report Design Aid (RDA)), the system uses the term indicated by the language override, if one exists.
- 2. If the user did not specify a language override in the application, then the system determines at runtime whether a system code has been attached to the menu selection.
  - If the menu selection has an attached system code, then the system displays the alternate term dictated by the system code, if one exists.
- 3. If no alternate term has been indicated for the menu selection, the system determines at runtime whether a system code has been attached to the application.
  - If the application has an attached system code, then the system displays the alternate term that is dictated by the system code, if one exists.
- 4. If no alternate term has been indicated for the application, then the DD text appears.

In all cases, the system first checks the user's preferred language for an alternate term before checking without language. Language and language overrides always take precedence over non-language overrides. For example, assume that, in an environment in which English is the base language, all the forms have French translations that a user can view by selecting the French override. A form might contain a DD item that in English has an alternate term; in this example, however, the French version of the DD item does not have an alternate term. When it appears in English, the form displays either the main term or the alternate term, as appropriate. When it appears in French, however, the form displays only the main term, even when an alternate term is called for, because the language override takes precedence over displaying the alternate term.

Jargon and alternate language terms must be added after the DD item has been created.

This section describes how to:

• Change a row and column text for all applications.

- Define jargon.
- Update a DD item for languages.

## Forms Used to Define Jargon and Alternate Language Terms

Form Name	Form ID	Navigation	Usage
Work with Data Items	W92001B	Data Dictionary Design (GH951), Work with Data Dictionary Items	Choose a DD item for which to define jargon and alternate language terms.
Work with Data Item Descriptions	W92001S	On Work with Data Items, select a DD item.	Modify language jargon codes.
		From the Row menu, select Descript. Overrides.	
Data Item Descriptions	W92001Q	On Work with Data Item Descriptions, click the Add button.	Apply a language and jargon code to the DD item.

## Changing a Row and Column Text for All Applications

Click the Glossary Overrides to change the alpha description and create a record. You then use the Glossary form to change the description.

Changes to row and column descriptions are not replicated through data replication. To deploy row and column changes to workstations, you must deliver a new full or partial package, or an update package that includes the affected applications. The new or update package deletes the existing row and columns that are stored in a cache on the workstation.

To change row and column text for all applications:

Access Work with Data Item Descriptions.

Enter a UDC (98/SY) value that specifies the system number for reporting and jargon purposes.

## **Defining Jargon**

To define jargon:

Jargon Code

Access Data Item Descriptions.

**Application Override** Enter a UDC (98/SY) value that specifies the system number for reporting

and jargon purposes.

## **Updating a Data Item for Languages**

To update a DD item for languages:

Access Data Item Descriptions.

Language

Enter a UDC (01/LP) that specifies the language to use on forms and printed reports. Before you specify a language, a code for that language must exist at either the system level or in the users preferences.

# **Glossary of PeopleSoft Terms**

**absence entitlement** This element defines rules for granting paid time off for valid absences, such as sick

time, vacation, and maternity leave. An absence entitlement element defines the

entitlement amount, frequency, and entitlement period.

**absence take**This element defines the conditions that must be met before a payee is entitled

to take paid time off.

academic career In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, all course work that a student undertakes

at an academic institution and that is grouped in a single student record. For example, a university that has an undergraduate school, a graduate school, and various professional schools might define several academic careers—an undergraduate career, a graduate career, and separate careers for each professional school (law school,

medical school, dental school, and so on).

academic institution In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an entity (such as a university or college)

that is independent of other similar entities and that has its own set of rules and

business processes.

**academic organization** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an entity that is part of the administrative

structure within an academic institution. At the lowest level, an academic organization might be an academic department. At the highest level, an academic organization can

represent a division.

academic plan In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an area of study—such as a major, minor,

or specialization—that exists within an academic program or academic career.

**academic program** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the entity to which a student applies and is

admitted and from which the student graduates.

accounting class In PeopleSoft Enterprise Performance Management, the accounting class defines how

a resource is treated for generally accepted accounting practices. The Inventory class indicates whether a resource becomes part of a balance sheet account, such as inventory or fixed assets, while the Non-inventory class indicates that the resource is

treated as an expense of the period during which it occurs.

**accounting date**The accounting date indicates when a transaction is recognized, as opposed to the date

the transaction actually occurred. The accounting date and transaction date can be the same. The accounting date determines the period in the general ledger to which the transaction is to be posted. You can only select an accounting date that falls within an open period in the ledger to which you are posting. The accounting date for an item

is normally the invoice date.

accounting split The accounting split method indicates how expenses are allocated or divided among

one or more sets of accounting ChartFields.

**accumulator** You use an accumulator to store cumulative values of defined items as they are

processed. You can accumulate a single value over time or multiple values over time. For example, an accumulator could consist of all voluntary deductions, or all company deductions, enabling you to accumulate amounts. It allows total flexibility

for time periods and values accumulated.

action reason The reason an employee's job or employment information is updated. The action

reason is entered in two parts: a personnel action, such as a promotion, termination, or change from one pay group to another—and a reason for that action. Action reasons are used by PeopleSoft Human Resources, PeopleSoft Benefits Administration,

PeopleSoft Stock Administration, and the COBRA Administration feature of the Base Benefits business process.

action template

In PeopleSoft Receivables, outlines a set of escalating actions that the system or user performs based on the period of time that a customer or item has been in an action plan for a specific condition.

activity

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, an instance of a catalog item (sometimes called a class) that is available for enrollment. The activity defines such things as the costs that are associated with the offering, enrollment limits and deadlines, and waitlisting capacities.

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Performance Management, the work of an organization and the aggregation of actions that are used for activity-based costing.

In PeopleSoft Project Costing, the unit of work that provides a further breakdown of projects—usually into specific tasks.

In PeopleSoft Workflow, a specific transaction that you might need to perform in a business process. Because it consists of the steps that are used to perform a transaction, it is also known as a step map.

address usage

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a grouping of address types defining the order in which the address types are used. For example, you might define an address usage code to process addresses in the following order: billing address, dormitory address, home address, and then work address.

adjustment calendar

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the adjustment calendar controls how a particular charge is adjusted on a student's account when the student drops classes or withdraws from a term. The charge adjustment is based on how much time has elapsed from a predetermined date, and it is determined as a percentage of the original charge amount.

administrative function

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a particular functional area that processes checklists, communication, and comments. The administrative function identifies which variable data is added to a person's checklist or communication record when a specific checklist code, communication category, or comment is assigned to the student. This key data enables you to trace that checklist, communication, or comment back to a specific processing event in a functional area.

admit type

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a designation used to distinguish first-year applications from transfer applications.

agreement

In PeopleSoft eSettlements, provides a way to group and specify processing options, such as payment terms, pay from a bank, and notifications by a buyer and supplier location combination.

allocation rule

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, an expression within compensation plans that enables the system to assign transactions to nodes and participants. During transaction allocation, the allocation engine traverses the compensation structure from the current node to the root node, checking each node for plans that contain allocation rules.

alternate account

A feature in PeopleSoft General Ledger that enables you to create a statutory chart of accounts and enter statutory account transactions at the detail transaction level, as required for recording and reporting by some national governments.

analysis database

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, database tables that store large amounts of student information that may not appear in standard report formats. The analysis database tables contain keys for all objects in a report that an application program can use to reference other student-record objects that are not contained in the printed report. For instance, the analysis database contains data on courses that are considered for satisfying a requirement but that are rejected. It also contains information on

courses captured by global limits. An analysis database is used in PeopleSoft Enterprise Academic Advisement.

AR specialist Abbreviation for receivables specialist. In PeopleSoft Receivables, an individual in

who tracks and resolves deductions and disputed items.

arbitration plan In PeopleSoft Enterprise Pricer, defines how price rules are to be applied to the base

price when the transaction is priced.

**assessment rule** In PeopleSoft Receivables, a user-defined rule that the system uses to evaluate the

condition of a customer's account or of individual items to determine whether to

generate a follow-up action.

**asset class** An asset group used for reporting purposes. It can be used in conjunction with the asset

category to refine asset classification.

attribute/value pair In PeopleSoft Directory Interface, relates the data that makes up an entry in the

directory information tree.

audience In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a segment of the database that relates

to an initiative, or a membership organization that is based on constituent attributes rather than a dues-paying structure. Examples of audiences include the Class of '65

and Undergraduate Arts & Sciences.

**authentication server** A server that is set up to verify users of the system.

base time period In PeopleSoft Business Planning, the lowest level time period in a calendar.

benchmark job In PeopleSoft Workforce Analytics, a benchmark job is a job code for which there is

corresponding salary survey data from published, third-party sources.

billing career In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the one career under which other careers

are grouped for billing purposes if a student is active simultaneously in multiple

careers.

bio bit or bio brief In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a report that summarizes information

stored in the system about a particular constituent. You can generate standard or

specialized reports.

book In PeopleSoft Asset Management, used for storing financial and tax information, such

as costs, depreciation attributes, and retirement information on assets.

**branch** A tree node that rolls up to nodes above it in the hierarchy, as defined in PeopleSoft

Tree Manager.

**budgetary account only** An account used by the system only and not by users; this type of account does

not accept transactions. You can only budget with this account. Formerly called

"system-maintained account."

budget check In commitment control, the processing of source transactions against control budget

ledgers, to see if they pass, fail, or pass with a warning.

**budget control** In commitment control, budget control ensures that commitments and expenditures

don't exceed budgets. It enables you to track transactions against corresponding budgets and terminate a document's cycle if the defined budget conditions are not met. For example, you can prevent a purchase order from being dispatched to a vendor if

there are insufficient funds in the related budget to support it.

budget period The interval of time (such as 12 months or 4 quarters) into which a period is divided

for budgetary and reporting purposes. The ChartField allows maximum flexibility to define operational accounting time periods without restriction to only one calendar.

business event In PeopleSoft Receivables, defines the processing characteristics for the Receivable

Update process for a draft activity.

In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, an original business transaction or activity that may justify the creation of a PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management event

(a sale, for example).

**business unit** A corporation or a subset of a corporation that is independent with regard to one or

more operational or accounting functions.

buyer In PeopleSoft eSettlements, an organization (or business unit, as opposed to an

individual) that transacts with suppliers (vendors) within the system. A buyer creates

payments for purchases that are made in the system.

**campus** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an entity that is usually associated with

a distinct physical administrative unit, that belongs to a single academic institution, that uses a unique course catalog, and that produces a common transcript for students

within the same academic career.

catalog item In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a specific topic that a learner can

study and have tracked. For example, "Introduction to Microsoft Word." A catalog item contains general information about the topic and includes a course code, description, categorization, keywords, and delivery methods. A catalog item can

have one or more learning activities.

catalog map In PeopleSoft Catalog Management, translates values from the catalog source data to

the format of the company's catalog.

catalog partner In PeopleSoft Catalog Management, shares responsibility with the enterprise catalog

manager for maintaining catalog content.

**categorization** Associates partner offerings with catalog offerings and groups them into enterprise

catalog categories.

category In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a broad grouping to which specific

comments or communications (contexts) are assigned. Category codes are also linked to 3C access groups so that you can assign data-entry or view-only privileges across

functions.

**channel** In PeopleSoft MultiChannel Framework, email, chat, voice (computer telephone

integration [CTI]), or a generic event.

**ChartField** A field that stores a chart of accounts, resources, and so on, depending on the

PeopleSoft application. ChartField values represent individual account numbers,

department codes, and so forth.

ChartField balancing You can require specific ChartFields to match up (balance) on the debit and the credit

side of a transaction.

**ChartField combination edit** The process of editing journal lines for valid ChartField combinations based on

user-defined rules.

**ChartKey** One or more fields that uniquely identify each row in a table. Some tables contain only

one field as the key, while others require a combination.

**checkbook** In PeopleSoft Promotions Management, enables you to view financial data (such as

planned, incurred, and actual amounts) that is related to funds and trade promotions.

**checklist code** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a code that represents a list of planned

or completed action items that can be assigned to a staff member, volunteer, or unit.

Checklists enable you to view all action assignments on one page.

class

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a specific offering of a course component

within an academic term.

See also course.

Class ChartField

A ChartField value that identifies a unique appropriation budget key when you combine it with a fund, department ID, and program code, as well as a budget period.

Formerly called *sub-classification*.

clearance

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the period of time during which a constituent in PeopleSoft Contributor Relations is approved for involvement in an initiative or an action. Clearances are used to prevent development officers from making multiple requests to a constituent during the same time period.

clone

In PeopleCode, to make a unique copy. In contrast, to *copy* may mean making a new reference to an object, so if the underlying object is changed, both the copy and the original change.

cohort

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the highest level of the three-level classification structure that you define for enrollment management. You can define a cohort level, link it to other levels, and set enrollment target numbers for it.

See also population and division.

collection

To make a set of documents available for searching in Verity, you must first create at least one collection. A collection is set of directories and files that allow search application users to use the Verity search engine to quickly find and display source documents that match search criteria. A collection is a set of statistics and pointers to the source documents, stored in a proprietary format on a file server. Because a collection can only store information for a single location, PeopleSoft maintains a set of collections (one per language code) for each search index object.

collection rule

In PeopleSoft Receivables, a user-defined rule that defines actions to take for a customer based on both the amount and the number of days past due for outstanding balances.

comm key

See communication key.

communication key

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a single code for entering a combination of communication category, communication context, communication method, communication direction, and standard letter code. Communication keys (also called *comm keys* or *speed keys*) can be created for background processes as well as for specific users.

compensation object

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a node within a compensation structure. Compensation objects are the building blocks that make up a compensation structure's hierarchical representation.

compensation structure

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a hierarchical relationship of compensation objects that represents the compensation-related relationship between the objects.

condition

In PeopleSoft Receivables, occurs when there is a change of status for a customer's account, such as reaching a credit limit or exceeding a user-defined balance due.

configuration parameter catalog

Used to configure an external system with PeopleSoft. For example, a configuration parameter catalog might set up configuration and communication parameters for an external server.

configuration plan

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, configuration plans hold allocation information for common variables (not incentive rules) and are attached to a node without a participant. Configuration plans are not processed by transactions.

**constituents** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, friends, alumni, organizations,

foundations, or other entities affiliated with the institution, and about which the institution maintains information. The constituent types delivered with PeopleSoft Enterprise Contributor Relations Solutions are based on those defined by the Council

for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

**content reference** Content references are pointers to content registered in the portal registry. These are

typically either URLs or iScripts. Content references fall into three categories: target

content, templates, and template pagelets.

**context** In PeopleCode, determines which buffer fields can be contextually referenced and

which is the current row of data on each scroll level when a PeopleCode program

is running.

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a specific instance of a comment or communication. One or more contexts are assigned to a category, which you link to 3C access groups so that you can assign data-entry or view-only privileges across

functions.

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a mechanism that is used to

determine the scope of a processing run. PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management

uses three types of context: plan, period, and run-level.

control table Stores information that controls the processing of an application. This type of

processing might be consistent throughout an organization, or it might be used only by

portions of the organization for more limited sharing of data.

cost profile A combination of a receipt cost method, a cost flow, and a deplete cost method. A profile is associated with a cost book and determines how items in that book are

valued, as well as how the material movement of the item is valued for the book.

**cost row** A cost transaction and amount for a set of ChartFields.

**course** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a course that is offered by a school and

that is typically described in a course catalog. A course has a standard syllabus and credit level; however, these may be modified at the class level. Courses can contain

multiple components such as lecture, discussion, and lab.

See also *class*.

course share set In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a tag that defines a set of requirement

groups that can share courses. Course share sets are used in PeopleSoft Enterprise

Academic Advisement.

**current learning** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a self-service repository for all of a

learner's in-progress learning activities and programs.

data acquisition In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, the process during which raw

business transactions are acquired from external source systems and fed into the

operational data store (ODS).

data elements Data elements, at their simplest level, define a subset of data and the rules by which

to group them.

For Workforce Analytics, data elements are rules that tell the system what measures to

retrieve about your workforce groups.

dataset A data grouping that enables role-based filtering and distribution of data. You can

limit the range and quantity of data that is displayed for a user by associating dataset rules with user roles. The result of dataset rules is a set of data that is appropriate

for the user's roles.

**delivery method** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, identifies the primary type of

delivery method in which a particular learning activity is offered. Also provides

default values for the learning activity, such as cost and language. This is primarily used to help learners search the catalog for the type of delivery from which they learn best. Because PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management is a blended learning system, it does not enforce the delivery method.

In PeopleSoft Supply Chain Management, identifies the method by which goods are shipped to their destinations (such as truck, air, rail, and so on). The delivery method is specified when creating shipment schedules.

delivery method type

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, identifies how learning activities can be delivered—for example, through online learning, classroom instruction, seminars, books, and so forth—in an organization. The type determines whether the delivery method includes scheduled components.

directory information tree

In PeopleSoft Directory Interface, the representation of a directory's hierarchical structure.

division

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the lowest level of the three-level classification structure that you define in PeopleSoft Enterprise Recruiting and Admissions for enrollment management. You can define a division level, link it to other levels, and set enrollment target numbers for it.

See also *population* and *cohort*.

document sequencing

A flexible method that sequentially numbers the financial transactions (for example, bills, purchase orders, invoices, and payments) in the system for statutory reporting and for tracking commercial transaction activity.

dynamic detail tree

A tree that takes its detail values—dynamic details—directly from a table in the database, rather than from a range of values that are entered by the user.

edit table

A table in the database that has its own record definition, such as the Department table. As fields are entered into a PeopleSoft application, they can be validated against an edit table to ensure data integrity throughout the system.

effective date

A method of dating information in PeopleSoft applications. You can predate information to add historical data to your system, or postdate information in order to enter it before it actually goes into effect. By using effective dates, you don't delete values; you enter a new value with a current effective date.

EIM ledger

Abbreviation for *Enterprise Incentive Management ledger*. In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, an object to handle incremental result gathering within the scope of a participant. The ledger captures a result set with all of the appropriate traces to the data origin and to the processing steps of which it is a result.

elimination set

In PeopleSoft General Ledger, a related group of intercompany accounts that is processed during consolidations.

entry event

In PeopleSoft General Ledger, Receivables, Payables, Purchasing, and Billing, a business process that generates multiple debits and credits resulting from single transactions to produce standard, supplemental accounting entries.

equitization

In PeopleSoft General Ledger, a business process that enables parent companies to calculate the net income of subsidiaries on a monthly basis and adjust that amount to increase the investment amount and equity income amount before performing consolidations.

equity item limit

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the amounts of funds set by the institution to be awarded with discretionary or gift funds. The limit could be reduced by amounts equal to such things as expected family contribution (EFC) or parent contribution. Students are packaged by Equity Item Type Groups and Related Equity Item Types. This limit can be used to assure that similar student populations are packaged equally.

event

A predefined point either in the Component Processor flow or in the program flow. As each point is encountered, the event activates each component, triggering any PeopleCode program that is associated with that component and that event. Examples of events are FieldChange, SavePreChange, and RowDelete.

In PeopleSoft Human Resources, also refers to an incident that affects benefits eligibility.

event propagation process

In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, a process that determines, through logic, the propagation of an original PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management event and creates a derivative (duplicate) of the original event to be processed by other objects. Sales Incentive Management uses this mechanism to implement splits, roll-ups, and so on. Event propagation determines who receives the credit.

exception

In PeopleSoft Receivables, an item that either is a deduction or is in dispute.

exclusive pricing

In PeopleSoft Order Management, a type of arbitration plan that is associated with a price rule. Exclusive pricing is used to price sales order transactions.

fact

In PeopleSoft applications, facts are numeric data values from fields from a source database as well as an analytic application. A fact can be anything you want to measure your business by, for example, revenue, actual, budget data, or sales numbers. A fact is stored on a fact table.

financial aid term

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a combination of a period of time that the school determines as an instructional accounting period and an academic career. It is created and defined during the setup process. Only terms eligible for financial aid are set up for each financial aid career.

forecast item

A logical entity with a unique set of descriptive demand and forecast data that is used as the basis to forecast demand. You create forecast items for a wide range of uses, but they ultimately represent things that you buy, sell, or use in your organization and for which you require a predictable usage.

fund

In PeopleSoft Promotions Management, a budget that can be used to fund promotional activity. There are four funding methods: top down, fixed accrual, rolling accrual, and zero-based accrual.

gap

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an artificial figure that sets aside an amount of unmet financial aid need that is not funded with Title IV funds. A gap can be used to prevent fully funding any student to conserve funds, or it can be used to preserve unmet financial aid need so that institutional funds can be awarded.

generic process type

In PeopleSoft Process Scheduler, process types are identified by a generic process type. For example, the generic process type SQR includes all SQR process types, such as SQR process and SQR report.

gift table

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a table or so-called *donor pyramid* describing the number and size of gifts that you expect will be needed to successfully complete the campaign in PeopleSoft Contributor Relations. The gift table enables you to estimate the number of donors and prospects that you need at each gift level to reach the campaign goal.

GL business unit

Abbreviation for *general ledger business unit*. A unit in an organization that is an independent entity for accounting purposes. It maintains its own set of accounting books.

See also business unit.

**GL** entry template

Abbreviation for *general ledger entry template*. In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a template that defines how a particular item is sent to the general ledger. An item-type maps to the general ledger, and the GL entry template can involve multiple general ledger accounts. The entry to the general ledger is further controlled

by high-level flags that control the summarization and the type of accounting—that is, accrual or cash.

## **GL** Interface process

Abbreviation for *General Ledger Interface process*. In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a process that is used to send transactions from PeopleSoft Enterprise Student Financials to the general ledger. Item types are mapped to specific general ledger accounts, enabling transactions to move to the general ledger when the GL Interface process is run.

group

In PeopleSoft Billing and Receivables, a posting entity that comprises one or more transactions (items, deposits, payments, transfers, matches, or write-offs).

In PeopleSoft Human Resources Management and Supply Chain Management, any set of records that are associated under a single name or variable to run calculations in PeopleSoft business processes. In PeopleSoft Time and Labor, for example, employees are placed in groups for time reporting purposes.

incentive object

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, the incentive-related objects that define and support the PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management calculation process and results, such as plan templates, plans, results data, user interaction objects, and so on.

incentive rule

In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, the commands that act on transactions and turn them into compensation. A rule is one part in the process of turning a transaction into compensation.

incur

In PeopleSoft Promotions Management, to become liable for a promotional payment. In other words, you owe that amount to a customer for promotional activities.

initiative

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the basis from which all advancement plans are executed. It is an organized effort targeting a specific constituency, and it can occur over a specified period of time with specific purposes and goals. An initiative can be a campaign, an event, an organized volunteer effort, a membership drive, or any other type of effort defined by the institution. Initiatives can be multipart, and they can be related to other initiatives. This enables you to track individual parts of an initiative, as well as entire initiatives.

inquiry access

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a type of security access that permits the user only to view data.

See also update access.

institution

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an entity (such as a university or college) that is independent of other similar entities and that has its own set of rules and business processes.

item

In PeopleSoft Inventory, a tangible commodity that is stored in a business unit (shipped from a warehouse).

In PeopleSoft Demand Planning, Inventory Policy Planning, and Supply Planning, a noninventory item that is designated as being used for planning purposes only. It can represent a family or group of inventory items. It can have a planning bill of material (BOM) or planning routing, and it can exist as a component on a planning BOM. A planning item cannot be specified on a production or engineering BOM or routing, and it cannot be used as a component in a production. The quantity on hand will never be maintained.

In PeopleSoft Receivables, an individual receivable. An item can be an invoice, a credit memo, a debit memo, a write-off, or an adjustment.

item shuffle

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a process that enables you to change a payment allocation without having to reverse the payment.

joint communication

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, one letter that is addressed jointly to two people. For example, a letter might be addressed to both Mr. Sudhir Awat and Ms. Samantha Mortelli. A relationship must be established between the two individuals in the database, and at least one of the individuals must have an ID in the database.

keyword

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a term that you link to particular elements within PeopleSoft Student Financials, Financial Aid, and Contributor Relations. You can use keywords as search criteria that enable you to locate specific records in a search dialog box.

**KPI** 

An abbreviation for *key performance indicator*. A high-level measurement of how well an organization is doing in achieving critical success factors. This defines the data value or calculation upon which an assessment is determined.

LDIF file

Abbreviation for *Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) Data Interchange Format file*. Contains discrepancies between PeopleSoft data and directory data.

learner group

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a group of learners who are linked to the same learning environment. Members of the learner group can share the same attributes, such as the same department or job code. Learner groups are used to control access to and enrollment in learning activities and programs. They are also used to perform group enrollments and mass enrollments in the back office.

learning components

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, the foundational building blocks of learning activities. PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management supports six basic types of learning components: web-based, session, webcast, test, survey, and assignment. One or more of these learning component types compose a single learning activity.

learning environment

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, identifies a set of categories and catalog items that can be made available to learner groups. Also defines the default values that are assigned to the learning activities and programs that are created within a particular learning environment. Learning environments provide a way to partition the catalog so that learners see only those items that are relevant to them.

learning history

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a self-service repository for all of a learner's completed learning activities and programs.

ledger mapping

You use ledger mapping to relate expense data from general ledger accounts to resource objects. Multiple ledger line items can be mapped to one or more resource IDs. You can also use ledger mapping to map dollar amounts (referred to as *rates*) to business units. You can map the amounts in two different ways: an actual amount that represents actual costs of the accounting period, or a budgeted amount that can be used to calculate the capacity rates as well as budgeted model results. In PeopleSoft Enterprise Warehouse, you can map general ledger accounts to the EW Ledger table.

library section

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a section that is defined in a plan (or template) and that is available for other plans to share. Changes to a library section are reflected in all plans that use it.

linked section

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a section that is defined in a plan template but appears in a plan. Changes to linked sections propagate to plans using that section.

linked variable

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a variable that is defined and maintained in a plan template and that also appears in a plan. Changes to linked variables propagate to plans using that variable.

**LMS** 

Abbreviation for *learning management system*. In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, LMS is a PeopleSoft Student Records feature that provides a common set of interoperability standards that enable the sharing of instructional content and data between learning and administrative environments.

load

In PeopleSoft Inventory, identifies a group of goods that are shipped together. Load management is a feature of PeopleSoft Inventory that is used to track the weight, the volume, and the destination of a shipment.

local functionality

In PeopleSoft HRMS, the set of information that is available for a specific country. You can access this information when you click the appropriate country flag in the global window, or when you access it by a local country menu.

location

Locations enable you to indicate the different types of addresses—for a company, for example, one address to receive bills, another for shipping, a third for postal deliveries, and a separate street address. Each address has a different location number. The primary location—indicated by a *1*—is the address you use most often and may be different from the main address.

logistical task

In PeopleSoft Services Procurement, an administrative task that is related to hiring a service provider. Logistical tasks are linked to the service type on the work order so that different types of services can have different logistical tasks. Logistical tasks include both preapproval tasks (such as assigning a new badge or ordering a new laptop) and postapproval tasks (such as scheduling orientation or setting up the service provider email). The logistical tasks can be mandatory or optional. Mandatory preapproval tasks must be completed before the work order is approved. Mandatory postapproval tasks, on the other hand, must be completed before a work order is released to a service provider.

market template

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, additional functionality that is specific to a given market or industry and is built on top of a product category.

mass change

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, mass change is a SQL generator that can be used to create specialized functionality. Using mass change, you can set up a series of Insert, Update, or Delete SQL statements to perform business functions that are specific to the institution.

See also 3C engine.

match group

In PeopleSoft Receivables, a group of receivables items and matching offset items. The system creates match groups by using user-defined matching criteria for selected field values.

MCF server

Abbreviation for *PeopleSoft MultiChannel Framework server*. Comprises the universal queue server and the MCF log server. Both processes are started when *MCF Servers* is selected in an application server domain configuration.

merchandising activity

In PeopleSoft Promotions Management, a specific discount type that is associated with a trade promotion (such as off-invoice, billback or rebate, or lump-sum payment) that defines the performance that is required to receive the discount. In the industry, you may know this as an offer, a discount, a merchandising event, an event, or a tactic.

meta-SQL

Meta-SQL constructs expand into platform-specific Structured Query Language (SQL) substrings. They are used in functions that pass SQL strings, such as in SQL objects, the SQLExec function, and PeopleSoft Application Engine programs.

metastring

Metastrings are special expressions included in SQL string literals. The metastrings, prefixed with a percent (%) symbol, are included directly in the string literals. They expand at run time into an appropriate substring for the current database platform.

multibook

In PeopleSoft General Ledger, multiple ledgers having multiple-base currencies that are defined for a business unit, with the option to post a single transaction to all base currencies (all ledgers) or to only one of those base currencies (ledgers).

multicurrency

The ability to process transactions in a currency other than the business unit's base currency.

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**national allowance** In PeopleSoft Promotions Management, a promotion at the corporate level that is

funded by nondiscretionary dollars. In the industry, you may know this as a national

promotion, a corporate promotion, or a corporate discount.

**need** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the difference between the cost of

attendance (COA) and the expected family contribution (EFC). It is the gap between the cost of attending the school and the student's resources. The financial aid package is based on the amount of financial need. The process of determining a student's

need is called need analysis.

**node-oriented tree** A tree that is based on a detail structure, but the detail values are not used.

pagelet Each block of content on the home page is called a pagelet. These pagelets display

summary information within a small rectangular area on the page. The pagelet provide users with a snapshot of their most relevant PeopleSoft and non-PeopleSoft content.

participant In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, participants are recipients of the

incentive compensation calculation process.

**participant object** Each participant object may be related to one or more compensation objects.

See also *compensation object*.

partner A company that supplies products or services that are resold or purchased by the

enterprise.

pay cycle In PeopleSoft Payables, a set of rules that define the criteria by which it should select

scheduled payments for payment creation.

**payment shuffle** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a process allowing payments that have

been previously posted to a student's account to be automatically reapplied when a higher priority payment is posted or the payment allocation definition is changed.

pending item In PeopleSoft Receivables, an individual receivable (such as an invoice, a credit

memo, or a write-off) that has been entered in or created by the system, but hasn't

been posted.

**PeopleCode** PeopleCode is a proprietary language, executed by the PeopleSoft application

processor. PeopleCode generates results based upon existing data or user actions. By using business interlink objects, external services are available to all PeopleSoft

applications wherever PeopleCode can be executed.

**PeopleCode event** An action that a user takes upon an object, usually a record field, that is referenced

within a PeopleSoft page.

**PeopleSoft Internet** 

**Architecture** consisting of a relational da

The fundamental architecture on which PeopleSoft 8 applications are constructed, consisting of a relational database management system (RDBMS), an application

server, a web server, and a browser.

**performance measurement** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a variable used to store data (similar

to an aggregator, but without a predefined formula) within the scope of an incentive plan. Performance measures are associated with a plan calendar, territory, and participant. Performance measurements are used for quota calculation and reporting.

**period context** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, because a participant typically

uses the same compensation plan for multiple periods, the period context associates a plan context with a specific calendar period and fiscal year. The period context references the associated plan context, thus forming a chain. Each plan context has a

corresponding set of period contexts.

**person of interest** A person about whom the organization maintains information but who is not part of

the workforce.

personal portfolio

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the user-accessible menu item that contains an individual's name, address, telephone number, and other personal information.

plan

In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, a collection of allocation rules, variables, steps, sections, and incentive rules that instruct the PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management engine in how to process transactions.

plan context

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, correlates a participant with the compensation plan and node to which the participant is assigned, enabling the PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management system to find anything that is associated with the node and that is required to perform compensation processing. Each participant, node, and plan combination represents a unique plan context—if three participants are on a compensation structure, each has a different plan context. Configuration plans are identified by plan contexts and are associated with the participants that refer to them.

plan template

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, the base from which a plan is created. A plan template contains common sections and variables that are inherited by all plans that are created from the template. A template may contain steps and sections that are not visible in the plan definition.

planned learning

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a self-service repository for all of a learner's planned learning activities and programs.

planning instance

In PeopleSoft Supply Planning, a set of data (business units, items, supplies, and demands) constituting the inputs and outputs of a supply plan.

population

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the middle level of the three-level classification structure that you define in PeopleSoft Enterprise Recruiting and Admissions for enrollment management. You can define a population level, link it to other levels, and set enrollment target numbers for it.

See also division and cohort.

portal registry

In PeopleSoft applications, the portal registry is a tree-like structure in which content references are organized, classified, and registered. It is a central repository that defines both the structure and content of a portal through a hierarchical, tree-like structure of folders useful for organizing and securing content references.

price list

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Pricer, enables you to select products and conditions for which the price list applies to a transaction. During a transaction, the system either determines the product price based on the predefined search hierarchy for the transaction or uses the product's lowest price on any associated, active price lists. This price is used as the basis for any further discounts and surcharges.

price rule

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Pricer, defines the conditions that must be met for adjustments to be applied to the base price. Multiple rules can apply when conditions of each rule are met.

price rule condition

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Pricer, selects the price-by fields, the values for the price-by fields, and the operator that determines how the price-by fields are related to the transaction.

price rule key

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Pricer, defines the fields that are available to define price rule conditions (which are used to match a transaction) on the price rule.

primacy number

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a number that the system uses to prioritize financial aid applications when students are enrolled in multiple academic careers and academic programs at the same time. The Consolidate Academic Statistics process uses the primacy number indicated for both the career and program at the institutional level to determine a student's primary career and program. The system also uses the

number to determine the primary student attribute value that is used when you extract data to report on cohorts. The lowest number takes precedence.

primary name type In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the name type that is used to link the name

stored at the highest level within the system to the lower-level set of names that an

individual provides.

process category In PeopleSoft Process Scheduler, processes that are grouped for server load balancing

and prioritization.

**process group** In PeopleSoft Financials, a group of application processes (performed in a defined

order) that users can initiate in real time, directly from a transaction entry page.

**process definition** Process definitions define each run request.

**process instance** A unique number that identifies each process request. This value is automatically

incremented and assigned to each requested process when the process is submitted to

run.

**process job** You can link process definitions into a job request and process each request serially

or in parallel. You can also initiate subsequent processes based on the return code

from each prior request.

process request A single run request, such as a Structured Query Report (SQR), a COBOL or

Application Engine program, or a Crystal report that you run through PeopleSoft

Process Scheduler.

process run control A PeopleTools variable used to retain PeopleSoft Process Scheduler values needed

at runtime for all requests that reference a run control ID. Do not confuse these with application run controls, which may be defined with the same run control ID, but only

contain information specific to a given application process request.

product category In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, indicates an application in the

Enterprise Incentive Management suite of products. Each transaction in the PeopleSoft

Enterprise Incentive Management system is associated with a product category.

**programs** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a high-level grouping that guides the

learner along a specific learning path through sections of catalog items. PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Systems provides two types of programs—curricula and

certifications.

progress log In PeopleSoft Services Procurement, tracks deliverable-based projects. This is similar

to the time sheet in function and process. The service provider contact uses the

progress log to record and submit progress on deliverables. The progress can be logged by the activity that is performed, by the percentage of work that is completed, or by the

completion of milestone activities that are defined for the project.

**project transaction** In PeopleSoft Project Costing, an individual transaction line that represents a cost,

time, budget, or other transaction row.

**promotion** In PeopleSoft Promotions Management, a trade promotion, which is typically funded

from trade dollars and used by consumer products manufacturers to increase sales

volume.

prospects In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, students who are interested in applying to

the institution.

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Contributor Relations, individuals and organizations that are most likely to make substantial financial commitments or other types of commitments

to the institution.

**publishing** In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a stage in processing that makes

incentive-related results available to participants.

rating components

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, variables used with the Equation Editor to retrieve specified populations.

record group

A set of logically and functionally related control tables and views. Record groups help enable TableSet sharing, which eliminates redundant data entry. Record groups ensure that TableSet sharing is applied consistently across all related tables and views.

record input VAT flag

Abbreviation for *record input value-added tax flag*. Within PeopleSoft Purchasing, Payables, and General Ledger, this flag indicates that you are recording input VAT on the transaction. This flag, in conjunction with the record output VAT flag, is used to determine the accounting entries created for a transaction and to determine how a transaction is reported on the VAT return. For all cases within Purchasing and Payables where VAT information is tracked on a transaction, this flag is set to Yes. This flag is not used in PeopleSoft Order Management, Billing, or Receivables, where it is assumed that you are always recording only output VAT, or in PeopleSoft Expenses, where it is assumed that you are always recording only input VAT.

record output VAT flag

Abbreviation for record output value-added tax flag.

See record input VAT flag.

recname

The name of a record that is used to determine the associated field to match a value or set of values.

recognition

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the recognition type indicates whether the PeopleSoft Enterprise Contributor Relations donor is the primary donor of a commitment or shares the credit for a donation. Primary donors receive hard credit that must total 100 percent. Donors that share the credit are given soft credit. Institutions can also define other share recognition-type values such as memo credit or vehicle credit.

reference data

In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, system objects that represent the sales organization, such as territories, participants, products, customers, channels, and so on.

reference object

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, this dimension-type object further defines the business. Reference objects can have their own hierarchy (for example, product tree, customer tree, industry tree, and geography tree).

reference transaction

In commitment control, a reference transaction is a source transaction that is referenced by a higher-level (and usually later) source transaction, in order to automatically reverse all or part of the referenced transaction's budget-checked amount. This avoids duplicate postings during the sequential entry of the transaction at different commitment levels. For example, the amount of an encumbrance transaction (such as a purchase order) will, when checked and recorded against a budget, cause the system to concurrently reference and relieve all or part of the amount of a corresponding pre-encumbrance transaction, such as a purchase requisition.

regional sourcing

In PeopleSoft Purchasing, provides the infrastructure to maintain, display, and select an appropriate vendor and vendor pricing structure that is based on a regional sourcing model where the multiple ship to locations are grouped. Sourcing may occur at a level higher than the ship to location.

relationship object

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, these objects further define a compensation structure to resolve transactions by establishing associations between compensation objects and business objects.

remote data source data

Data that is extracted from a separate database and migrated into the local database.

**REN** server

Abbreviation for *real-time event notification server* in PeopleSoft MultiChannel Framework.

requester

In PeopleSoft eSettlements, an individual who requests goods or services and whose ID appears on the various procurement pages that reference purchase orders.

reversal indicator In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an indicator that denotes when a

particular payment has been reversed, usually because of insufficient funds.

role Describes how people fit into PeopleSoft Workflow. A role is a class of users who

perform the same type of work, such as clerks or managers. Your business rules

typically specify what user role needs to do an activity.

role user A PeopleSoft Workflow user. A person's role user ID serves much the same purpose as

a user ID does in other parts of the system. PeopleSoft Workflow uses role user IDs to determine how to route worklist items to users (through an email address, for example) and to track the roles that users play in the workflow. Role users do not need

PeopleSoft user IDs.

**roll up** In a tree, to roll up is to total sums based on the information hierarchy.

**run control** A run control is a type of online page that is used to begin a process, such as the

batch processing of a payroll run. Run control pages generally start a program that

manipulates data.

**run control ID** A unique ID to associate each user with his or her own run control table entries.

run-level context In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, associates a particular run (and batch

ID) with a period context and plan context. Every plan context that participates in a run has a separate run-level context. Because a run cannot span periods, only one run-level

context is associated with each plan context.

**search query**You use this set of objects to pass a query string and operators to the search engine.

The search index returns a set of matching results with keys to the source documents.

search/match In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions and PeopleSoft Enterprise Human

Resources Management Solutions, a feature that enables you to search for and identify

duplicate records in the database.

seasonal address In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, an address that recurs for the same length

of time at the same time of year each year until adjusted or deleted.

section In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a collection of incentive rules that

operate on transactions of a specific type. Sections enable plans to be segmented to

process logical events in different sections.

security event In commitment control, security events trigger security authorization checking, such

as budget entries, transfers, and adjustments; exception overrides and notifications;

and inquiries.

serial genealogy In PeopleSoft Manufacturing, the ability to track the composition of a specific,

serial-controlled item.

**serial in production** In PeopleSoft Manufacturing, enables the tracing of serial information for

manufactured items. This is maintained in the Item Master record.

service impact In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, the resulting action triggered by a service

indicator. For example, a service indicator that reflects nonpayment of account balances by a student might result in a service impact that prohibits registration for

classes.

service indicator In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, indicates services that may be either

withheld or provided to an individual. Negative service indicators indicate holds that prevent the individual from receiving specified services, such as check-cashing privileges or registration for classes. Positive service indicators designate special services that are provided to the individual, such as front-of-line service or special

services for disabled students.

session

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, time elements that subdivide a term into multiple time periods during which classes are offered. In PeopleSoft Contributor Relations, a session is the means of validating gift, pledge, membership, or adjustment data entry . It controls access to the data entered by a specific user ID. Sessions are balanced, queued, and then posted to the institution's financial system. Sessions must be posted to enter a matching gift or pledge payment, to make an adjustment, or to process giving clubs or acknowledgements.

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, a single meeting day of an activity (that is, the period of time between start and finish times within a day). The session stores the specific date, location, meeting time, and instructor. Sessions are used for scheduled training.

session template

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management, enables you to set up common activity characteristics that may be reused while scheduling a PeopleSoft Enterprise Learning Management activity—characteristics such as days of the week, start and end times, facility and room assignments, instructors, and equipment. A session pattern template can be attached to an activity that is being scheduled. Attaching a template to an activity causes all of the default template information to populate the activity session pattern.

setup relationship

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a relationship object type that associates a configuration plan with any structure node.

share driver expression

In PeopleSoft Business Planning, a named planning method similar to a driver expression, but which you can set up globally for shared use within a single planning application or to be shared between multiple planning applications through PeopleSoft Enterprise Warehouse.

single signon

With single signon, users can, after being authenticated by a PeopleSoft application server, access a second PeopleSoft application server without entering a user ID or password.

source key process

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a process that relates a particular transaction to the source of the charge or financial aid. On selected pages, you can drill down into particular charges.

source transaction

In commitment control, any transaction generated in a PeopleSoft or third-party application that is integrated with commitment control and which can be checked against commitment control budgets. For example, a pre-encumbrance, encumbrance, expenditure, recognized revenue, or collected revenue transaction.

speed key

See communication key.

**SpeedChart** 

A user-defined shorthand key that designates several ChartKeys to be used for voucher entry. Percentages can optionally be related to each ChartKey in a SpeedChart definition.

SpeedType

A code representing a combination of ChartField values. SpeedTypes simplify the entry of ChartFields commonly used together.

staging

A method of consolidating selected partner offerings with the offerings from the enterprise's other partners.

standard letter code

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a standard letter code used to identify each letter template available for use in mail merge functions. Every letter generated in the system must have a standard letter code identification.

statutory account

Account required by a regulatory authority for recording and reporting financial results. In PeopleSoft, this is equivalent to the Alternate Account (ALTACCT) ChartField.

step In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, a collection of sections in a plan. Each

step corresponds to a step in the job run.

**storage level** In PeopleSoft Inventory, identifies the level of a material storage location. Material

storage locations are made up of a business unit, a storage area, and a storage level.

You can set up to four storage levels.

**subcustomer qualifier** A value that groups customers into a division for which you can generate detailed

history, aging, events, and profiles.

Summary ChartField You use summary ChartFields to create summary ledgers that roll up detail amounts

based on specific detail values or on selected tree nodes. When detail values are summarized using tree nodes, summary ChartFields must be used in the summary ledger data record to accommodate the maximum length of a node name (20

characters).

**summary ledger** An accounting feature used primarily in allocations, inquiries, and PS/nVision

reporting to store combined account balances from detail ledgers. Summary ledgers increase speed and efficiency of reporting by eliminating the need to summarize detail ledger balances each time a report is requested. Instead, detail balances are summarized in a background process according to user-specified criteria and stored on

summary ledgers. The summary ledgers are then accessed directly for reporting.

**summary time period** In PeopleSoft Business Planning, any time period (other than a base time period) that is

an aggregate of other time periods, including other summary time periods and base

time periods, such as quarter and year total.

**summary tree** A tree used to roll up accounts for each type of report in summary ledgers. Summary

trees enable you to define trees on trees. In a summary tree, the detail values are really nodes on a detail tree or another summary tree (known as the *basis* tree). A summary

tree structure specifies the details on which the summary trees are to be built.

**syndicate** To distribute a production version of the enterprise catalog to partners.

**system function** In PeopleSoft Receivables, an activity that defines how the system generates

accounting entries for the general ledger.

 TableSet
 A means of sharing similar sets of values in control tables, where the actual data values

are different but the structure of the tables is the same.

**TableSet sharing** Shared data that is stored in many tables that are based on the same TableSets. Tables

that use TableSet sharing contain the SETID field as an additional key or unique

identifier.

**target currency** The value of the entry currency or currencies converted to a single currency for budget

viewing and inquiry purposes.

tax authority In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a user-defined element that combines a

description and percentage of a tax with an account type, an item type, and a service

impact.

template A template is HTML code associated with a web page. It defines the layout of

the page and also where to get HTML for each part of the page. In PeopleSoft, you use templates to build a page by combining HTML from a number of sources. For a PeopleSoft portal, all templates must be registered in the portal registry, and each

content reference must be assigned a template.

territory In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, hierarchical relationships of business

objects, including regions, products, customers, industries, and participants.

**3C engine** Abbreviation for *Communications, Checklists, and Comments engine.* In PeopleSoft

Enterprise Campus Solutions, the 3C engine enables you to automate business

processes that involve additions, deletions, and updates to communications, checklists,

and comments. You define events and triggers to engage the engine, which runs the mass change and processes the 3C records (for individuals or organizations) immediately and automatically from within business processes.

3C group

Abbreviation for *Communications, Checklists, and Comments group*. In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a method of assigning or restricting access privileges. A 3C group enables you to group specific communication categories, checklist codes, and comment categories. You can then assign the group inquiry-only access or update access, as appropriate.

**TimeSpan** 

A relative period, such as year-to-date or current period, that can be used in various PeopleSoft General Ledger functions and reports when a rolling time frame, rather than a specific date, is required. TimeSpans can also be used with flexible formulas in PeopleSoft Projects.

trace usage

In PeopleSoft Manufacturing, enables the control of which components will be traced during the manufacturing process. Serial- and lot-controlled components can be traced. This is maintained in the Item Master record.

transaction allocation

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, the process of identifying the owner of a transaction. When a raw transaction from a batch is allocated to a plan context, the transaction is duplicated in the PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management transaction tables.

transaction state

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a value assigned by an incentive rule to a transaction. Transaction states enable sections to process only transactions that are at a specific stage in system processing. After being successfully processed, transactions may be promoted to the next transaction state and "picked up" by a different section for further processing.

Translate table

A system edit table that stores codes and translate values for the miscellaneous fields in the database that do not warrant individual edit tables of their own.

tree

The graphical hierarchy in PeopleSoft systems that displays the relationship between all accounting units (for example, corporate divisions, projects, reporting groups, account numbers) and determines roll-up hierarchies.

tuition lock

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a feature in the Tuition Calculation process that enables you to specify a point in a term after which students are charged a minimum (or *locked*) fee amount. Students are charged the locked fee amount even if they later drop classes and take less than the normal load level for that tuition charge.

unclaimed transaction

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Incentive Management, a transaction that is not claimed by a node or participant after the allocation process has completed, usually due to missing or incomplete data. Unclaimed transactions may be manually assigned to the appropriate node or participant by a compensation administrator.

universal navigation header

Every PeopleSoft portal includes the universal navigation header, intended to appear at the top of every page as long as the user is signed on to the portal. In addition to providing access to the standard navigation buttons (like Home, Favorites, and signoff) the universal navigation header can also display a welcome message for each user.

update access

In PeopleSoft Enterprise Campus Solutions, a type of security access that permits the user to edit and update data.

See also inquiry access.

user interaction object

In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, used to define the reporting components and reports that a participant can access in his or her context. All Sales Incentive Management user interface objects and reports are registered as user interaction objects. User interaction objects can be linked to a compensation structure node through a compensation relationship object (individually or as groups).

variable In PeopleSoft Sales Incentive Management, the intermediate results of calculations.

Variables hold the calculation results and are then inputs to other calculations. Variables can be plan variables that persist beyond the run of an engine or local

variables that exist only during the processing of a section.

**VAT exception** Abbreviation for *value-added tax exception*. A temporary or permanent exemption

from paying VAT that is granted to an organization. This terms refers to both VAT

exoneration and VAT suspension.

VAT exempt Abbreviation for *value-added tax exempt*. Describes goods and services that are not

subject to VAT. Organizations that supply exempt goods or services are unable to recover the related input VAT. This is also referred to as exempt without recovery.

**VAT exoneration** Abbreviation for *value-added tax exoneration*. An organization that has been granted a

permanent exemption from paying VAT due to the nature of that organization.

**VAT suspension** Abbreviation for *value-added tax suspension*. An organization that has been granted a

temporary exemption from paying VAT.

warehouse A PeopleSoft data warehouse that consists of predefined ETL maps, data warehouse

tools, and DataMart definitions.

work order In PeopleSoft Services Procurement, enables an enterprise to create resource-based

and deliverable-based transactions that specify the basic terms and conditions for hiring a specific service provider. When a service provider is hired, the service

provider logs time or progress against the work order.

worker A person who is part of the workforce; an employee or a contingent worker.

workset A group of people and organizations that are linked together as a set. You can use

worksets to simultaneously retrieve the data for a group of people and organizations

and work with the information on a single page.

worksheet A way of presenting data through a PeopleSoft Business Analysis Modeler interface

that enables users to do in-depth analysis using pivoting tables, charts, notes, and

history information.

worklist The automated to-do list that PeopleSoft Workflow creates. From the worklist, you

can directly access the pages you need to perform the next action, and then return to

the worklist for another item.

**XML schema** An XML definition that standardizes the representation of application messages,

component interfaces, or business interlinks.

yield by operation In PeopleSoft Manufacturing, the ability to plan the loss of a manufactured item on an

operation-by-operation basis.

**zero-rated VAT** Abbreviation for *zero-rated value-added tax*. A VAT transaction with a VAT code that

has a tax percent of zero. Used to track taxable VAT activity where no actual VAT amount is charged. Organizations that supply zero-rated goods and services can still recover the related input VAT. This is also referred to as exempt with recovery.

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