Collaboration vs. Cheating

Permitted Collaboration

• Discussing material covered in lectures or the textbook.
• Discussing the requirements of an assignment.
• Discussing tools (e.g., SQL*PLUS) or support code, as long as it is a technical question about the support code itself.
• Asking general knowledge questions about SQL syntax and Java/JDBC as well as general techniques of designing, coding, or debugging.
• Discussing general traits you may notice in another's compiled, running program.
• Exchanging results (without looking at the code) and other test data.

Prohibited Collaboration - Cheating

• Working on the logic/design assignments together.
• Asking for help on something you haven't thought about yourself.
• Copying code, using someone else's code.
• Discussing “pseudocode”.
• Taking someone else's design.
• Debugging with another person.
• Having incorrect file permissions/being careless with your source: If another student copies your work, you are accountable for negligence.
• Signing up in place of another student.

In Doubt?

• Always talk to the instructor, if you are in doubt of whether or not you are involved in a prohibited collaboration.