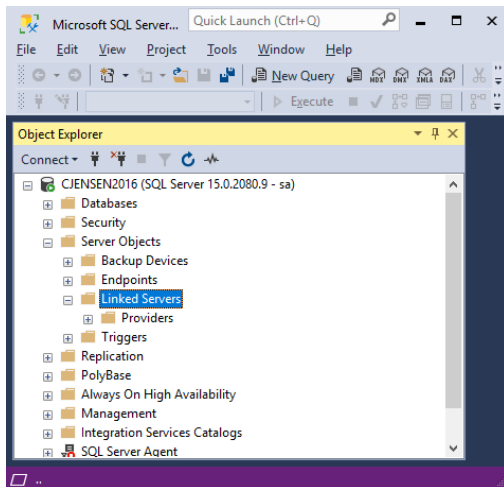
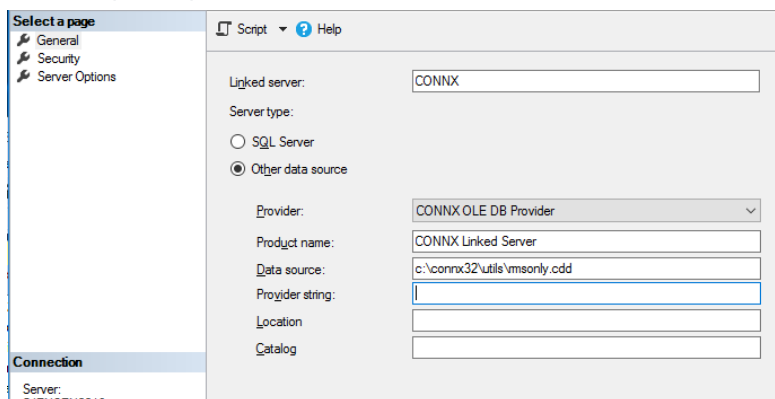


Use the Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio to create a linked server to connect to a non-SQL Server database.

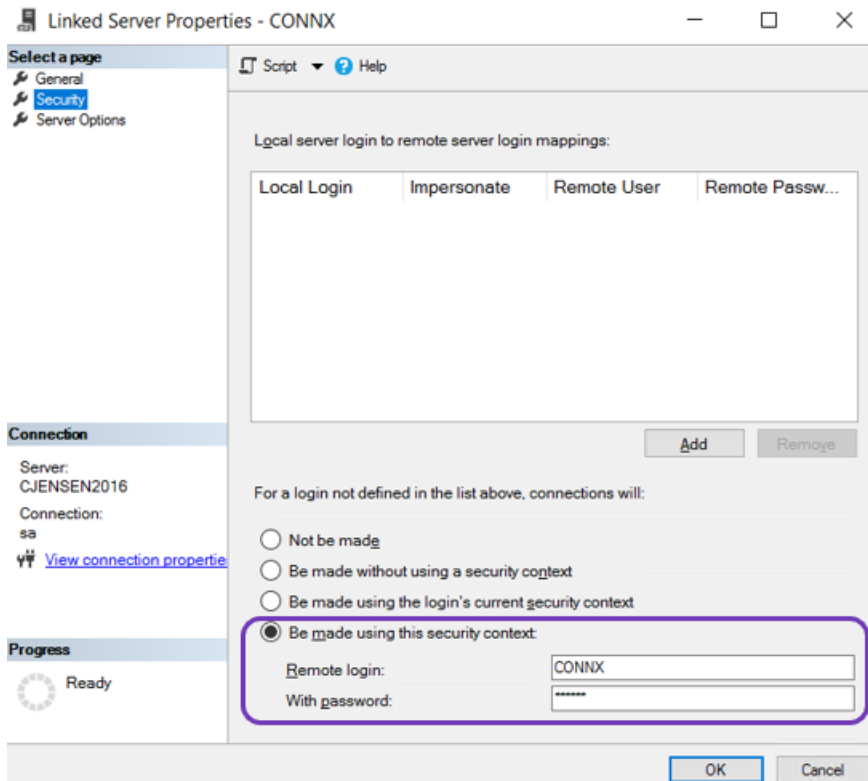
1. Open the SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) and connect to the instance of SQL Server you wish to create the linked server under.



2. Right Click on the “Linked Server” folder and then select “New Linked Server”. The linked server properties window (below) will appear.
  - a. Give the linked server a name – this is **required**.
  - b. Keep the server type radial button set to “other data source”.
  - c. Set the “provider” to be the CONNX OLEDB provider”
    - i. Do note – you can use the Microsoft OLEDB for ODBC Drivers – if you have previously created a DSN on the machine that can be referenced.
  - d. Enter “Product Name” – this is **required**.
  - e. Enter a path and the CDD name for the “Data Source” – this is **required**.
  - f. Provider String, Location and Catalog are **not required**, but can be used if the user is comfortable with using these options. If the user uses the provider string – they can skip Step 3 and 4.



3. Select the "Security" option from the menu on the left.
4. Select the "Be Made using this security context:" radial button.
  - a. Enter in the username to access the CDD for the "Remote login" box
  - b. Enter in the password for the above username in the "With password" box.



- c. Select "OK". This will create the Linked Server.
5. The Linked Server will now be available underneath the Linked Server folder in the SSMS.

