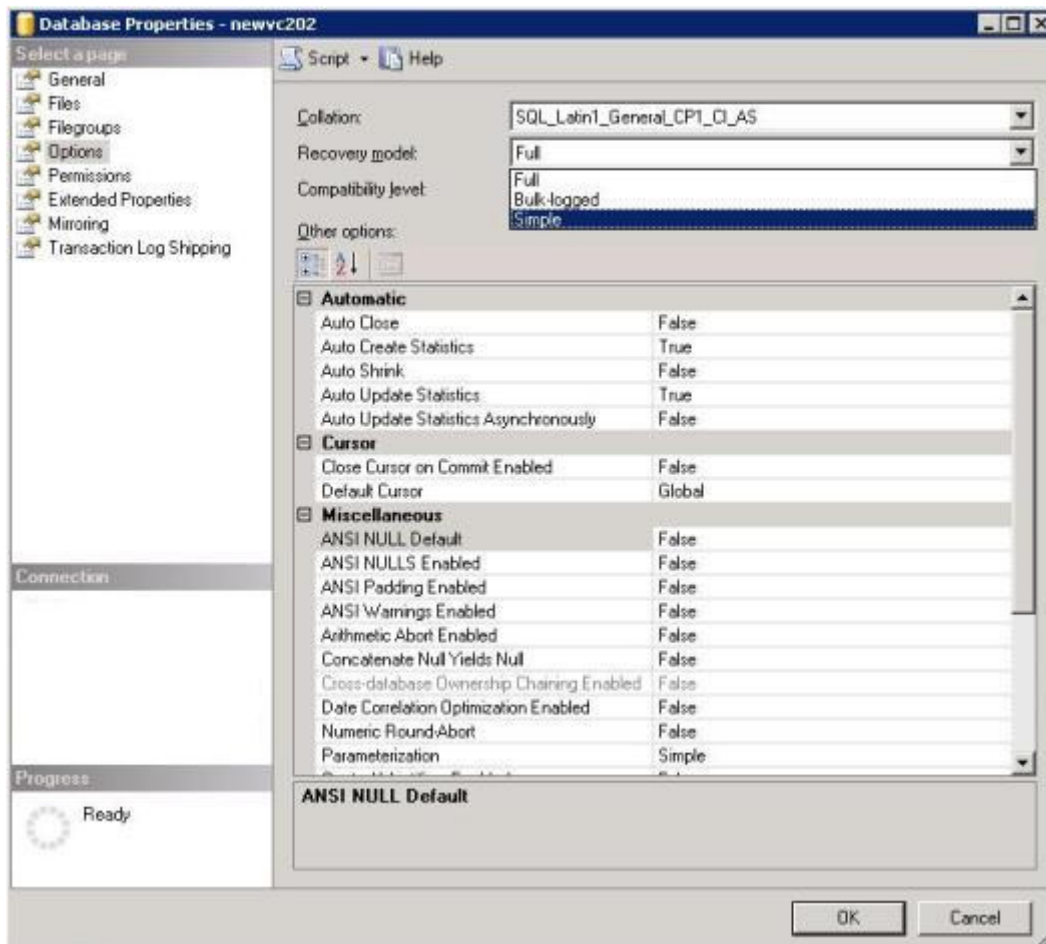


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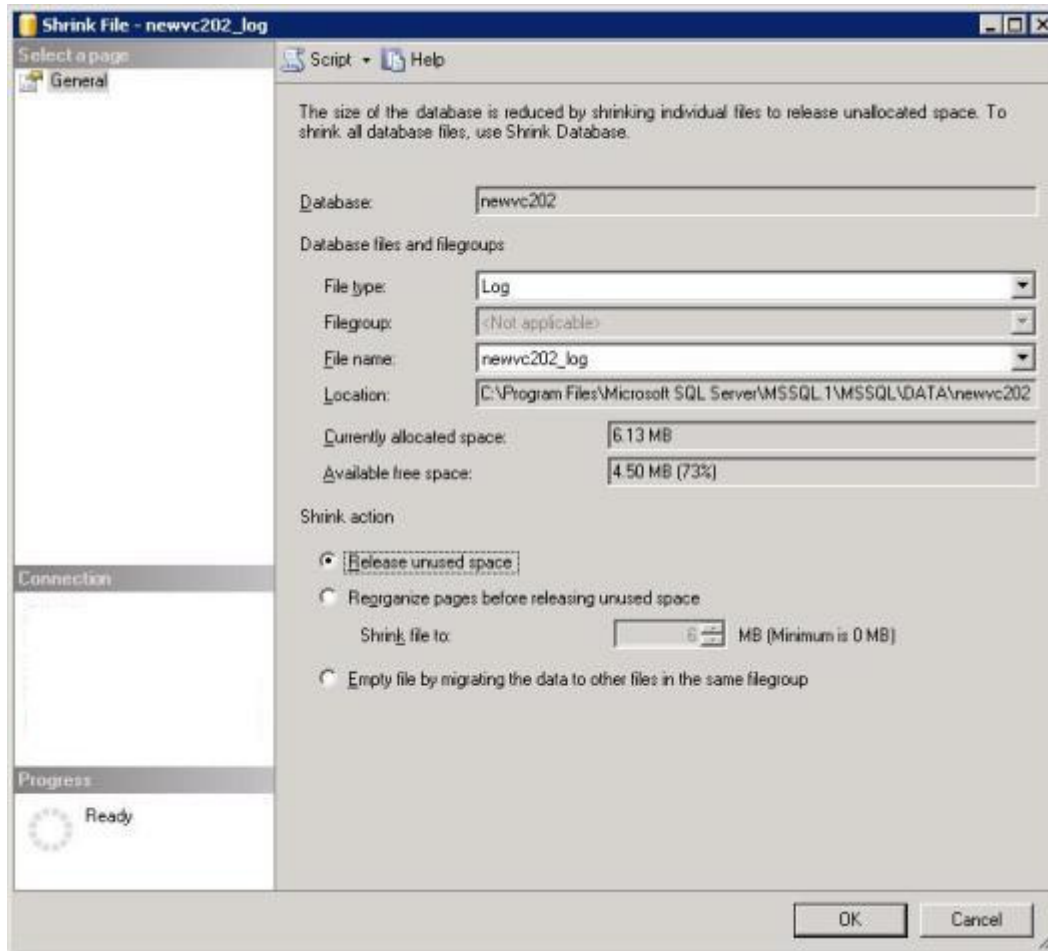
On a Microsoft SQL 2005/2008 server:

Note: Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio Express can be used for SQL server 2005 Express Edition. If it is not installed on the server, you must download and install it from the Microsoft [Download Center](#).

1. Log in to the Microsoft SQL 2005/2008 Server as an administrator.
2. Open up SQL Management Studio.
3. Right-click the **database** that VirtualCenter is using.
4. Click **Properties**.
5. Click the **Options** link.
6. Set the Recovery Model to **Simple** as follows:



7. Click **OK**.
8. Once this is complete, right click on the **database** again.
9. Click **Tasks>Shrink>Files**.
10. On the Shrink Database window select the file type as 'Log' . The file name appears in the filename drop down as databasename_log as follows:



The space used versus the space allocated displays. After you set the recovery model to **Simple**, the majority of the space in the transaction log released.

11. Ensure that the **Release unused space** radio button is selected.
12. Click **OK** on this window to shrink the transaction log.