



Chapter 5: MySQL

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The SELECT statement is used to select data from one or more tables:

```
SELECT column_name(s) FROM table_name
```

or we can use the * character to select ALL columns from a table:

```
SELECT * FROM table_name
```

The following example selects the id, firstname and lastname columns from the MyGuests table and displays it on the page:

```
<?php
$servername = "localhost";
$username = "username";
$password = "password";
$dbname = "myDB";

// Create connection
$conn = new mysqli($servername, $username, $password, $dbname);
// Check connection
if ($conn->connect_error) {
    die("Connection failed: " . $conn->connect_error);
}

$sql = "SELECT id, firstname, lastname FROM MyGuests";
$result = $conn->query($sql);

if ($result->num_rows > 0) {
    // output data of each row
    while($row = $result->fetch_assoc()) {
        echo "id: " . $row["id"]. " - Name: " . $row["firstname"]. "
" . $row["lastname"]. "<br>";
    }
} else {
    echo "0 results";
}
$conn->close();
?>
```



In the Example above,

- First, we set up an SQL query that selects the id, firstname and lastname columns from the MyGuests table. The next line of code runs the query and puts the resulting data into a variable called \$result.
- Then, the `function num_rows()` checks if there are more than zero rows returned.
- If there are more than zero rows returned, the function `fetch_assoc()` puts all the results into an associative array that we can loop through. The `while()` loop loops through the result set and outputs the data from the id, firstname and lastname columns.

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The DELETE statement is used to delete records from a table:

```
DELETE FROM table_name WHERE some_column = some_value
```

Note: Notice the WHERE clause in the DELETE syntax: The WHERE clause specifies which record or records that should be deleted. If you omit the WHERE clause, all records will be deleted!

If we have the "MyGuests" table as follow:

| <i>id</i> | <i>firstname</i> | <i>lastname</i> | <i>email</i> | <i>reg_date</i> |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | John | Doe | john@example.com | 2014-10-22 14:26:15 |
| 2 | Mary | Moe | mary@example.com | 2014-10-23 10:22:30 |
| 3 | Julie | Dooley | julie@example.com | 2014-10-26 10:48:23 |

The following examples delete the record with id=3 in the "MyGuests" table

```
// sql to delete a record
$sql = "DELETE FROM MyGuests WHERE id=3";

if ($conn->query($sql) === TRUE) {
    echo "Record deleted successfully";
} else {
    echo "Error deleting record: " . $conn->error;
}
```



❖ PHP Update Data in MySQL

The UPDATE statement is used to update existing records in a table:

```
UPDATE table_name
SET column1=value, column2=value2,...
WHERE some_column=some_value
```

If we have the "MyGuests" table as follow:

| id | firstname | lastname | email | reg_date |
|----|-----------|----------|------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | John | Doe | john@example.com | 2014-10-22 14:26:15 |
| 2 | Mary | Moe | mary@example.com | 2014-10-23 10:22:30 |

The following examples update the record with id=2 in the "MyGuests" table:

```
$sql = "UPDATE MyGuests SET lastname='Doe' WHERE id=2";
```

```
if ($conn->query($sql) === TRUE) {
    echo "Record updated successfully";
} else {
    echo "Error updating record: " . $conn->error;
}
```

Note: Notice the **WHERE** clause in the **UPDATE** syntax: The **WHERE** clause specifies which record or records that should be updated. If you omit the **WHERE** clause, all records will be updated!

❖ PHP Limit Data Selections From MySQL

- MySQL provides a **LIMIT** clause that is used to specify the number of records to return.
- The **LIMIT** clause makes it easy to code multi page results or pagination with SQL, and is very useful on large tables. Returning a large number of records can impact on performance.
- Assume we wish to select all records from 1 - 30 (inclusive) from a table called "Orders". The SQL query would then look like this:

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM Orders LIMIT 30";
```



- What if we want to select records 16 - 25 (inclusive), Mysql also provides a way to handle this: by using **OFFSET**.
- The SQL query below says "return only 10 records, start on record 16 (OFFSET 15)":

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM Orders LIMIT 10 OFFSET 15";
```

You could also use a shorter syntax to achieve the same result:

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM Orders LIMIT 15, 10";
```

Notice that the numbers are reversed when you use a comma.