Database Design

Normalisation

- Normalisation is the process of converting your database design to a standard process.
- There are three normal form, first, second and third normal forms
- 1NF, 2NF, 3NF

First Normal Form

- Each set of columns must uniquely idea a row
- If its more than one row with combination of columns, it is not unique

Primary Key

- It is used to uniquely identify a record in a database.
- A field or column in a table that contains a unique value for the row
- Eg: Student ID

Action:

 Analyse the data, add a primary Key - which field can be sued to uniquely identify a row

First normal form: Student

- None of the fields can uniquely identify a student
- So, we create a new field -> Student ID

Summary:

- For each of your tables, determine if any combination of the columns can be used to uniquely identify a record
 - If so, determine what columns can be the primary key
 - If not, create a new column for the primary key

First Normal Form: Student, Subject, Teacher, University

University				
PK	university ID	number		
	name	text		
	unit number	number		
	street number	number		
	stret name	text		
	suburb	text		
	city	text		
	state	text		
	code	text		
	country	text		

Subject				
PK	subject ID	number		
	subject name	text		
	category	text		
	student name	text		

	Student	
PK	student ID	number
	first name	text
	last name	text
	date of birth	date
	unit number	number
	street number	number
	street name	text
	suburb	text
	city	text
	state	text
	code	text
	country	text

	Teacher	
PK	teacher ID	number
	first name	text
	last name	text
	data of birth	date
	subjects taught	text
	unit number	number
	street number	number
	street name	text
	suburb	text
	city	text
	state	text
	code	text
	country	text