**Exercise 1.D Exploring MySQL Workbench**

**1. Take some time to independently explore the sakila database in MySQL Workbench.  
 a) How can you quickly retrieve a sample of records from each table?**

Use the format : **SELECT** *\** **FROM** sakila**.***table\_name*;

**b) How can you modify the query to specify columns to retrieve from a table?**

Use the format : **SELECT** *column\_name(use \* for all columns)* **FROM**

sakila**.***table\_name*;

**c) How can you use the interface to change the limit of records displayed?**

On the same bar where the execute button is, there is a limit to drop down menu. Click

and select desired limit

2. **As you preview the data available in each table, consider the substance of the**

**information represented.**

1. What data does the table contain?

All types of information from names to addresses to rental date

b) What does this tell you about the business behind the database?

At first I thought it was a film studio but now I think it is a film rental shop.

3. **Reconvene with your small group and discuss your observations. What adjustments  
might you make to your brainstorming document regarding records to track for your  
friend’s business?**

As a group we agreed that we can shorten our list a little bit. Some attributes don’t make as much sense to have as others. A second look to filter out unnecessary attributes or maybe move them to another group would be a good a Idea.