

## ◇ Big Picture First (Say This Line)

**“We implemented the ER diagram using Entity Framework Core with a Code-First approach.”**

Meaning:

We **designed C# models**

EF Core **automatically created tables**

Relationships came from **foreign keys & navigation properties**

## ◇ Step 1: Convert ER Diagram → C# Models

Each **entity in ER diagram = one C# class**

### Example: User Entity

You explain like this 

“The User table is implemented as a User class. The primary key is defined using attributes, and navigation properties represent relationships.”

Conceptually:

UserId → Primary Key

Other fields → Columns

Collections → One-to-Many relationships

## ◇ Step 2: Primary Keys & Foreign Keys

### How PKs are handled

EF Core uses:

```
[Key]  
public int UserId { get; set; }
```

## How FKs are handled

Example logic you explain (no need to show code unless asked):

“Foreign keys like user\_id and doc\_id are added as properties, and EF Core automatically maps relationships.”

So:

```
user_id → UserId  
doc_id → DocumentId
```

## ◇ Step 3: Relationships Implementation (Very Important)

### 1 One User → Many Documents

Explain like this:

“In the User model, we define a collection of Documents, and in the Document model, we define a foreign key and a navigation property back to User.”

EF understands:

- One user
- Many documents
- Automatically enforces relationship

### 2 One Document → Many Versions

Your line ↗

“Each document can have multiple versions, so we created a one-to-many relationship between Document and DocumentVersion.”

Handled using:

```
DocumentId as FK  
ICollection<DocumentVersion>
```

### 3 Inline Comments Relationships

Explain confidently:

“Inline comments are linked to the document, the exact version, and the user using foreign keys. This allows precise commenting on specific text ranges.”

This matches your ER diagram exactly.

## ◇ Step 4: DbContext (Heart of EF)

Say this clearly:

**“DbContext acts as a bridge between our application and the database.”**

What you did:

```
Created ApplicationDbContext
```

```
Added:
```

```
DbSet<User>  
DbSet<Document>  
DbSet<DocumentVersion>  
DbSet<InlineComment>  
DbSet<ActivityLog>  
DbSet<PasswordResetToken>
```

Explain:

“Each DbSet represents a table in the database.”

## ◇ Step 5: Fluent API (If Asked WHY)

You can say:

“Where annotations were not enough, we used Fluent API to define relationships and constraints clearly.”

Examples (in words):

- Cascade delete rules
- Required relationships
- Foreign key behavior

## ◇ Step 6: Migrations (Very Viva-Friendly)

This line is GOLD 🎉 :

**“We used EF Core migrations to convert our models into database tables in a controlled and versioned way.”**

Flow:

- Create models
- Run Add-Migration
- Run Update-Database
- EF creates:
  - Tables
  - Keys
  - Relationships

## ◇ Step 7: Data Flow at Runtime

Explain this flow slowly 

- User sends request (upload / comment / edit)
- Controller receives request
- Service layer processes logic
- EF Core translates LINQ → SQL
- SQL Server stores or retrieves data
- Response sent back

## ◇ Step 8: Why EF Core Was the Right Choice

Say this in conclusion:

- Reduces manual SQL
- Prevents SQL injection
- Keeps code clean and maintainable
- Easy schema changes using migrations
- Strong mapping with ER diagram

## ⌚ One-Minute Summary (Memorize This)

“We implemented the ER diagram using EF Core Code-First approach. Each entity became a C# model, relationships were defined using foreign keys and navigation properties, DbContext connected the application to SQL Server, and migrations were used to generate and update the database schema.”