

Library Management System

Problem Statements:

Requirements:

A university library wants to digitize its operations by developing a comprehensive library management system. The system should allow the administration to manage book inventories, member registrations, and borrowing activities efficiently. Each book in the library's collection must be cataloged with details such as title, author, publication year, genre, and ISBN number. Members of the library, including students, faculty, and staff, should have unique membership IDs and records that include personal details like name, address, and contact information. The system should facilitate the borrowing process by recording borrow dates, due dates, and return dates. To encourage timely returns, fines should be automatically calculated based on the number of overdue days. Additionally, the library wants to generate various reports to understand borrowing trends, such as the most borrowed books, popular genres, and active members. For administrative purposes, the system should also support inventory management functions like adding new books, updating book details, and removing books from the catalog. The ability to search for books by various criteria (title, author, genre, etc.) is essential. Moreover, the library wants to monitor the condition of books and manage repair or replacement activities as necessary.

Questions:

1. Find the book that has been borrowed the most times.
2. Calculate the average number of books borrowed per member.
3. Retrieve the minimum number of days a book was borrowed for.
4. Find the member who borrowed the most books in the last year.
5. List the top 5 most borrowed book genres.

Solution Table Creation:

1. Create Books Table:

```
CREATE TABLE Books (  
  BookID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  Title VARCHAR(200) NOT NULL,  
  PublicationYear INT,  
  ISBN VARCHAR(15) UNIQUE NOT NULL  
);
```

2. Create Authors Table:

```
CREATE TABLE Authors (  
  AuthorID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  AuthorName VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL  
);
```

3. Create Book-Authors Table:

```
CREATE TABLE BookAuthors (  
  BookAuthorID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  BookID INT,  
  AuthorID INT,  
  FOREIGN KEY (BookID) REFERENCES Books(BookID),  
  FOREIGN KEY (AuthorID) REFERENCES Authors(AuthorID)  
);
```

4. Create Genres Table:

```
CREATE TABLE Genres (  
  GenreID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  GenreName VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL UNIQUE  
);
```

5. Create Genre-Books Table:

```
CREATE TABLE BookGenres (  
  BookGenreID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  BookID INT,  
  GenreID INT,  
  FOREIGN KEY (BookID) REFERENCES Books(BookID),  
  FOREIGN KEY (GenreID) REFERENCES Genres(GenreID)  
);
```

6. Create MembershipType Table:

```
CREATE TABLE MembershipTypes (  
  MembershipTypeID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  TypeName VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,  
  MaxBooksAllowed INT NOT NULL  
);
```

7. Create Members Table:

```
CREATE TABLE Members (  
  MemberID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  Name VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,  
  Address VARCHAR(200),  
  Email VARCHAR(100),  
  Phone INT,  
  MembershipTypeID INT,  
  FOREIGN KEY (MembershipTypeID) REFERENCES MembershipTypes(MembershipTypeID)  
);
```

8. Create Book-Copies Table:

```
CREATE TABLE BookCopies (  
  BookCopyID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  BookID INT,  
  Status VARCHAR(50),  
  ConditionStatus VARCHAR(50),  
  FOREIGN KEY (BookID) REFERENCES Books(BookID)  
);
```

9. Create Inventory Table:

```
CREATE TABLE Inventory (  
  InventoryID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  BookCopyID INT,  
  AcquisitionDate DATE,  
  LastMaintenanceDate DATE,  
  FOREIGN KEY (BookCopyID) REFERENCES BookCopies(BookCopyID)  
);
```

10. Create Borrowing-Information Table:

```
CREATE TABLE BorrowingInfo (  
  BorrowingID INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,  
  MemberID INT,  
  BookCopyID INT,  
  BorrowDate DATE,  
  DueDate DATE,  
  ReturnDate DATE,  
  Fine DECIMAL(10, 2),  
  FOREIGN KEY (MemberID) REFERENCES Members(MemberID),  
  FOREIGN KEY (BookCopyID) REFERENCES BookCopies(BookCopyID)  
);
```

Solution of the given Question

1. Find the book that has been borrowed the most times

```
SELECT  
  b.Title,  
  COUNT(br.BookCopyID) AS BorrowCount  
FROM  
  BorrowingInfo br  
JOIN  
  BookCopies bc ON br.BookCopyID = bc.BookCopyID  
JOIN  
  Books b ON bc.BookID = b.BookID  
GROUP BY  
  bc.BookID  
ORDER BY  
  BorrowCount DESC  
LIMIT 1;
```

2. Calculate the average number of books borrowed per member

```
SELECT  
  AVG(BorrowCount)  
FROM (  
  SELECT  
    MemberID,  
    COUNT(BorrowingID) AS BorrowCount  
  FROM  
    borrowinginfo  
  GROUP BY  
    MemberID  
) AS Dummy;
```

3. Retrieve the minimum number of days a book was borrowed for

```
SELECT
  MIN(DATEDIFF(ReturnDate, BorrowDate)) AS MinBorrowDays
FROM
  BorrowingInfo
WHERE
  ReturnDate IS NOT NULL;
```

4. Find the member who borrowed the most books in the last year

```
SELECT
  m.Name,
  COUNT(br.BookCopyID) AS BooksBorrowed
FROM
  BorrowingInfo br
JOIN
  Members m ON br.MemberID = m.MemberID
WHERE
  br.BorrowDate >= DATE_SUB(CURDATE(), INTERVAL 1 YEAR)
GROUP BY
  br.MemberID, m.Name
ORDER BY
  BooksBorrowed DESC
LIMIT 1;
```

5. List the top 5 most borrowed book genres:

```
SELECT
  g.GenreName,
  COUNT(br.BookCopyID) AS BorrowCount
FROM
  BorrowingInfo br
JOIN
  BookCopies bc ON br.BookCopyID = bc.BookCopyID
JOIN
  Books b ON bc.BookID = b.BookID
JOIN
  BookGenres bg ON b.BookID = bg.BookID
JOIN
  Genres g ON bg.GenreID = g.GenreID
GROUP BY
  g.GenreID
ORDER BY
  BorrowCount DESC
LIMIT 5;
```