

Getting Started with MySQL

Based on your own experience, what one thing would you explain to them before they begin?

The file copied by the *copy.bat* does not need to be copied each time for connecting.

Also I would by default goto the commands used to point the machine for where to find MySQL. As this changes the current directory with the 'cd' command to the MySQL application directory so it knows where to look. You would type the following for this to work;

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c:
cd \mysql\bin
mysqld --console --standalone
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Now the machine is looking in the *mysql\bin* directory (folder) and has a view of the files needed to be able to execute the files needed for the 'mysqld --console --standalone' to run.

Then I would highlight the fact that when the MySQL server is running and you connect to it with your mySQL client you get the MySQL client prompt which looks like a cmd prompt but importantly it now has the following prefix for the command line showing your doing mysql commands.

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mysql>
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This is good to know so that you are simply in the right window when doing commands!