To install the Sakila sample database, follow these steps:

1. Extract the installation archive to a temporary location such as C:\temp\ or /tmp/. When you unpack the archive, it creates a directory named sakila-db that contains the sakila-schema.sql and sakila-data.sql files.
2. Connect to the MySQL server using the mysql command-line client with the following command:

**shell> mysql -u root -p**

Enter your password when prompted. A non-root account can be used as long as the account has privileges to create new databases.

1. Execute the sakila-schema.sql script to create the database structure by using the following command:

**mysql> SOURCE C:/temp/sakila-db/sakila-schema.sql;**

Replace C:/temp/sakila-db with the path to the sakila-schema.sql file on your system.

Note

On Windows, use slashes, rather than backslashes, when executing the SOURCE command.

1. Execute the sakila-data.sql script to populate the database structure with the following command:

**mysql> SOURCE C:/temp/sakila-db/sakila-data.sql;**

Replace C:/temp/sakila-db with the path to the sakila-data.sql file on your system.

1. Confirm that the sample database is installed correctly. Execute the following statements. You should see output similar to that shown here.

**USE sakila;**

**Database changed**