

Of course! This is excellent news that you've implemented the Admin Dashboard. This significantly changes how we document Practical 12, making it much more comprehensive and directly aligned with your new project structure.

Now, instead of focusing on a seller managing *their* products, Practical 12 will document the **Admin's ability to manage *all* products**. This is a much more robust demonstration of CRUD.

Here's a detailed guide on what to write in your practical file for Practical 12, focusing on your new Admin Dashboard.

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## Practical 12: Implement a Full CRUD for Managing Products (via Admin Dashboard)

**Aim:** To develop a complete CRUD (Create, Read, Update, Delete) module within the Admin Dashboard, enabling an authenticated administrator to manage all product listings on the ByteBazaar platform.

### 1. Key Questions & Analysis

#### 1.1. Are the adding, update, and delete functionalities correct?

Yes. The Admin Dashboard provides full CRUD functionality for comprehensive product management.

- **Create (Adding Products):**
  - Admins can navigate to the "Products" section of the dashboard and click an "Add Product" button. This displays a form (admin-add-product.html) where product details (title, description, price, image URL, category, seller) can be entered.
  - The form data is sent via POST to the api/admin\_add\_product.php script. This script performs server-side validation, handles secure image uploads (if implemented, otherwise uses URL), and executes a prepared INSERT statement to add the new product to the products table.
  - It also correctly updates the product\_count in the categories table.
- **Read (Viewing Products):**
  - The "Products" section of the Admin Dashboard (admin-products.html) displays a paginated and sortable list of *all* products on the platform.
  - The js/admin-products.js script makes GET requests to api/admin\_get\_products.php

to fetch this data, including product details, associated category, and seller information.

- **Update (Editing Products):**

- Each product listed in the Admin Dashboard has an "Edit" action. Clicking this leads to a dedicated edit form (admin-edit-product.html), which is pre-populated with the existing product data fetched via api/admin\_get\_product.php.
- Upon submission, the updated product details are sent via POST to api/admin\_update\_product.php. This script validates the data and executes a prepared UPDATE statement on the products table. This operation includes updating the product's category, image, and potentially changing its associated seller.

- **Delete (Removing Products):**

- Each product in the Admin Dashboard has a "Delete" action (typically with a confirmation prompt).
- This action triggers a POST request to api/admin\_delete\_product.php with the product's ID. The PHP script executes a prepared DELETE statement, removing the product from the products table.
- Crucially, this operation also handles decrementing the product\_count in the categories table to maintain data consistency.

## 1.2. Is the UI linked with the DB correctly?

Yes. The Admin Dashboard UI is robustly linked with the database through dedicated PHP API endpoints for each CRUD operation.

- **Asynchronous Communication:** All interactions (fetching, adding, editing, deleting) happen asynchronously using the JavaScript fetch API. This provides a smooth, non-blocking user experience.
- **JSON API:** The PHP backend scripts (api/admin\_add\_product.php, api/admin\_get\_products.php, etc.) consistently return JSON responses, which the frontend JavaScript parses to update the UI.
- **Data Consistency:** Operations like adding or deleting products correctly update related tables (e.g., categories.product\_count) on the backend, ensuring data integrity across the database.

## 1.3. Are success/failure messages shown?

Yes. Comprehensive feedback is provided to the administrator:

- **Real-time Notifications:** All backend CRUD scripts return a structured JSON response indicating success or failure and a descriptive message.
- **Frontend Alerts:** The frontend JavaScript (js/admin-products.js, js/admin-add-product.js, etc.) uses the global showNotification() function to display these messages in a user-friendly popup, confirming actions or alerting to errors.
- **Error Logging:** Detailed error messages are logged to the browser's console for

debugging purposes if a backend operation fails.