

## Lab Exercise 2: C# .NET 6 Class Library

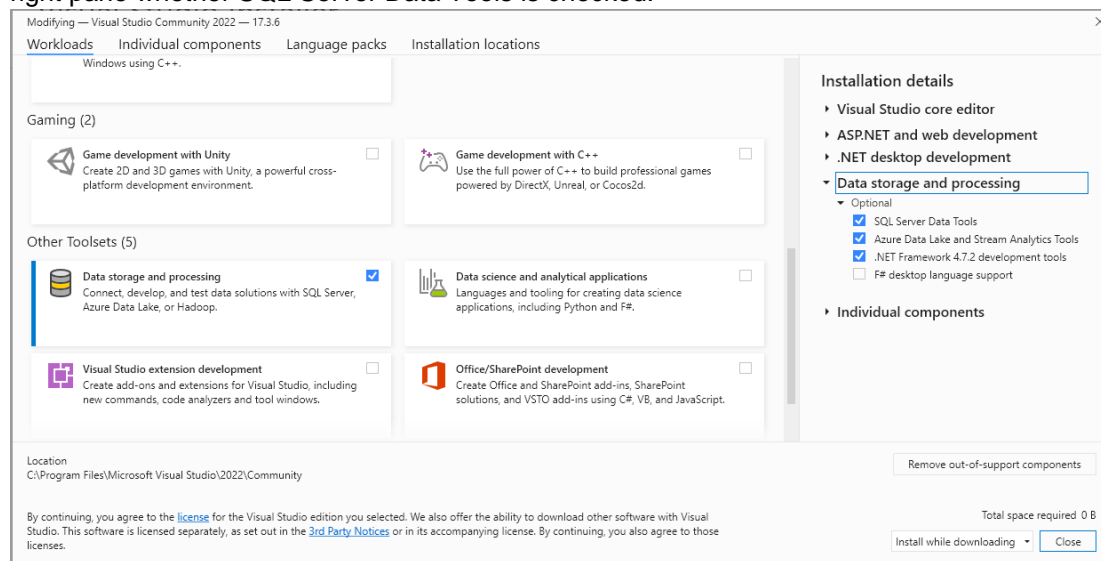
For exercises 2-4, create a blogging site using ASP.NET Web API and SQL Server Database. The site must have log in, registration, and post functionality (adding a post, listing all posts, and showing details of one post).

This specific lab exercise will deal with backend functionality, using class libraries and connect through console UI with dependency injection.

### The following should be downloaded:

- Visual Studio Community Edition
- SQL Server

In Visual Studio, go to Tools > Get Tools and Features. See Data Storage and Processes in the right pane whether SQL Server Data Tools is checked.



### Downloads per project

After setting up, right click each project and click Manage Nuget Packages. Browse for the following packages, ensuring that the 6.0 version is installed:

#### BlogDataLibrary (Class Library)

- Dapper
- Microsoft.Extensions.Configuration
- System.Data.SqlClient

#### BlogTestUI (Console App)

- Microsoft.Extensions.Configuration
- Microsoft.Extensions.Configuration.Json

#### BlogDB (SQL Server Database Project)

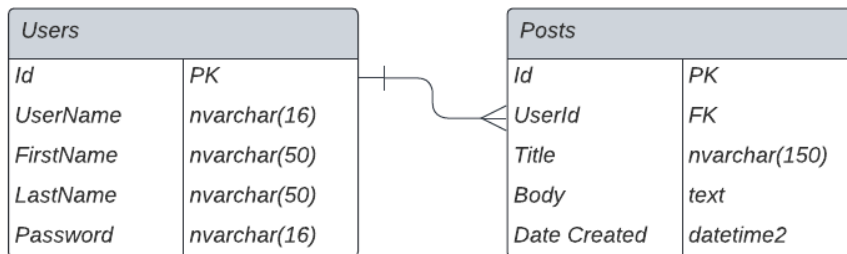
## Setting up the project

1. Open Visual Studio
2. Select Create New Project
3. Search for C# Class Library
4. Name the project as BlogDataLibrary
5. Name the Solution as LastNameLE2
6. Click Next
7. For Framework, choose .NET 6.0
8. Click Next
9. In Solution Explorer, in the right pane (View > Solution Explorer if not displayed), delete Class1.cs
10. Right click the Solution (LastNameLE2) > Add > New Project
11. Search for SQL Server Database Project
12. Name the project as LastNameBlogDB, hereon referred to as "DB Project"
13. Add another project, searching for Console App.
14. Name it as BlogTestUI
15. Use .NET 6.0, and check "Do not use top level statements"
16. Refer to the list of downloads per project

## Setting up the database

### Blog Site ERD

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1. In the DB Project, create new folder named dbo through Solution Explorer.
2. Under dbo, create a new folder named Tables.
3. Under Tables, right click > Add > Table
4. Name the first table as Users
5. Refer to the ERD for the columns and data type  
While it is not necessary to *copy* the capitalization of the column names, it is naming convention.
6. Uncheck Allow Nulls in all columns
7. Ensure in T-SQL, bottom pane, that Id has a keyword IDENTITY

Kindly refer to the figure below for Users table configuration:

Script File: Users.sql

Name	Data type	Allow Nulls	Default
Id	int	<input type="checkbox"/>	
UserName	nvarchar(16)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
FirstName	nvarchar(50)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
LastName	nvarchar(50)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Password	nvarchar(16)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Keys (1)**  
<unnamed> (Primary Key, Clustered: Id)

**Check Constraints (0)**  
**Indexes (0)**  
**Foreign Keys (0)**  
**Triggers (0)**

Design T-SQL

```
CREATE TABLE [dbo].[Users]
(
    [Id] INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY IDENTITY,
    [UserName] NVARCHAR(16) NOT NULL,
    [FirstName] NVARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    [LastName] NVARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    [Password] NVARCHAR(16) NOT NULL
)
```

8. Screenshot your own database design. Kindly show the Solution Explorer as well.

9. Create a new table under the same folder, named as Posts
10. Refer to the ERD for the column names and data types.
11. Uncheck Allow Nulls in all columns
12. Ensure in T-SQL, bottom pane, that Id has a keyword **IDENTITY**
13. In the pane next to the columns, right click Foreign Keys > Add New Foreign Key
14. Name it **FK\_Posts\_Users**
15. In T-SQL supply the following:

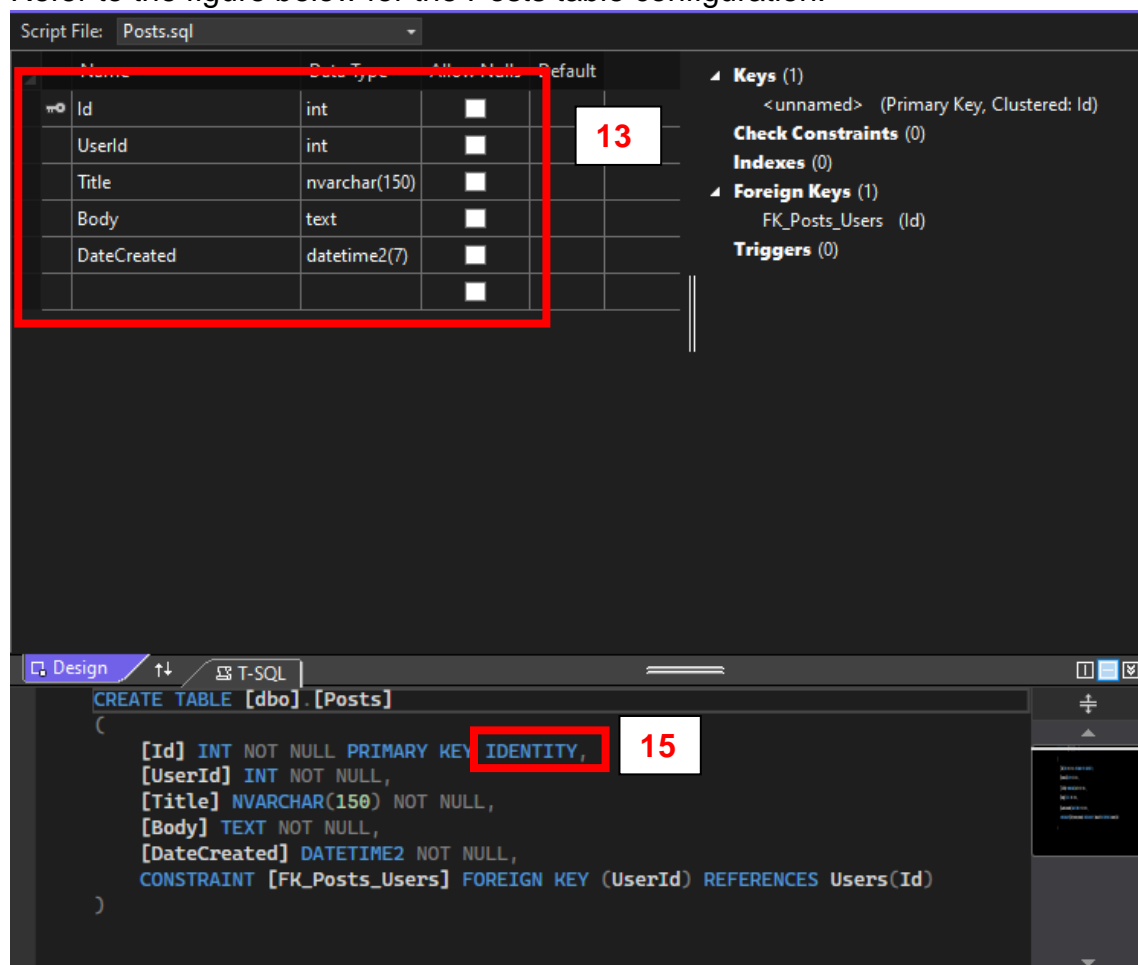
Column: **UserId**

ToTable: **Users**

ToTableColumn: **Id**

This will connect the Posts' UserId to Users' Id, making a one-to-many relationship.

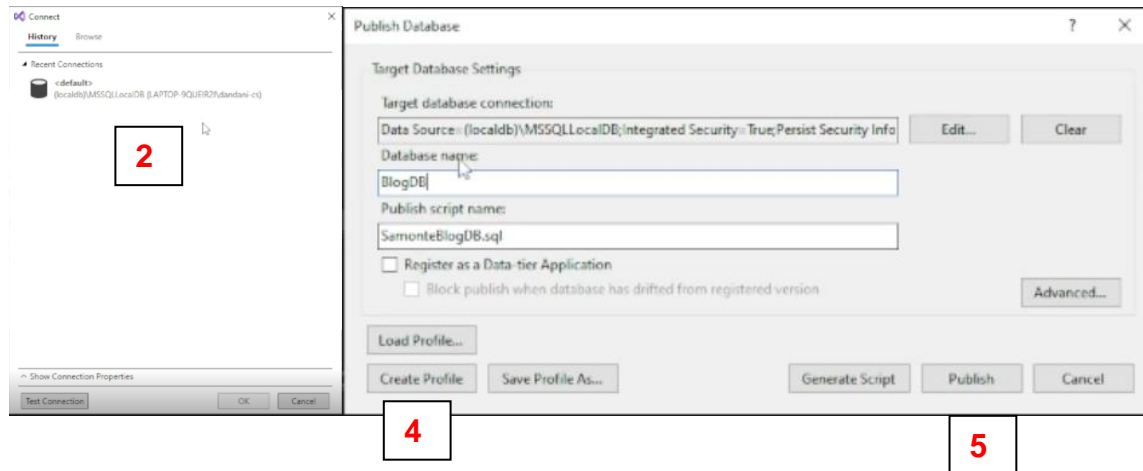
Refer to the figure below for the Posts table configuration:



Screenshot the database design for Posts. Ensure that the Solution Explorer is included.

## Publishing the database

1. Right click the root of the DB Project and choose Publish
2. A Publish Database Pop up will show, click Edit > Browse for the MSSQL Local DB
3. Name the database as **BlogDB**, and leave the Publish script name as **LastNameBlogDB.sql**
4. Click Create Profile
5. Click Publish



## Verify whether the database is published

1. Go to View > SQL Server Object Explorer
2. Expand SQL Server > MSSQLLocalDB > Databases >
3. Ensure BlogDB is included in the list of databases

## Adding rows through SQL Server Object Explorer

1. Expand BlogDB > Tables
2. Right click the Users table and choose View Data
3. Fill the first row with the following details:  
Username: **fmlastname** (f = given name initials; m: middle initial; eg: )  
Password: **Student Number**  
*Do not put anything in ID. Put your first name and last name.*

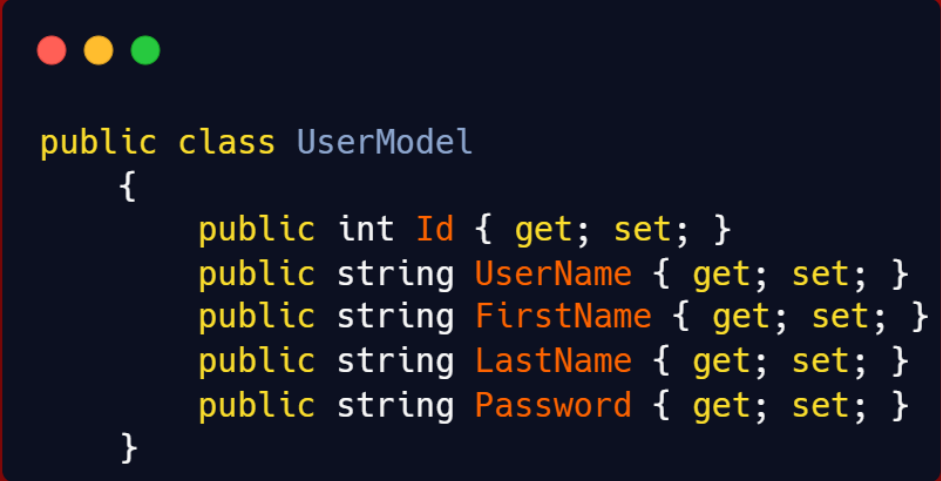
Sample:

dbo.Users [Data]					
Max Rows: 1000					
	Id	UserName	FirstName	LastName	Password
	1	dcsamonte	Danielle	Samonte	12345678

4. Screenshot your entry. Include the SQL Server Object Explorer pane with BlogDB expanded

## Setting up Models

1. In the `BlogDataLibrary` project, add a new folder named `Models`
2. Under `Models`, right click and add a new class.
3. Name it `UserModel`, and ensure the class is `public`.
4. Type in the following:

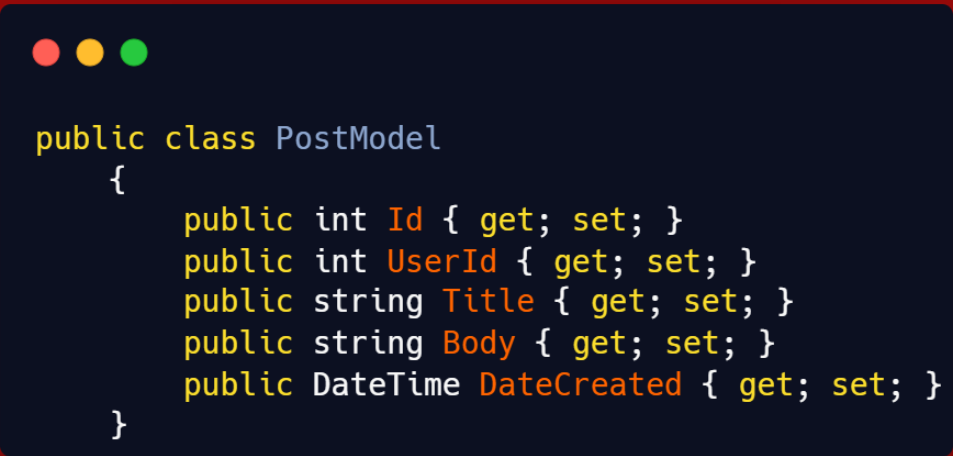


```
public class UserModel
{
    public int Id { get; set; }
    public string Username { get; set; }
    public string FirstName { get; set; }
    public string LastName { get; set; }
    public string Password { get; set; }
}
```

*You can type in "prop" and tab twice to automate public int MyProperty and change data type and name.*

*Capitalization is not required, but is naming convention.*

5. Create a new class named `PostModel`, and ensure the class is `public`.
6. Type in the following in the file:



```
public class PostModel
{
    public int Id { get; set; }
    public int UserId { get; set; }
    public string Title { get; set; }
    public string Body { get; set; }
    public DateTime DateCreated { get; set; }
}
```

7. Add another class named `ListPostModel`, and ensure the class is public.
8. Type in the following in the file:



```
public class ListPostModel
{
    public int Id { get; set; }
    public string Title { get; set; }
    public string Body { get; set; }
    public DateTime DateCreated { get; set; }
    public string UserName { get; set; }
    public string FirstName { get; set; }
    public string LastName { get; set; }
}
```

### Setting up dependency injection

1. In the BlogDataLibrary, add a new folder named Database.



Having a different project separated from the UI that interacts with the database allows us to reuse the functionality project in other UI. For this lab exercise, we'll be using a console app to test the functionality, while we can use it again for the ASP.NET Web API without needing to redo SQL commands.

2. Create a new class called `SqlDataAccess`, and ensure the class is public.
3. Type in the configuration property and the constructor:

```
private IConfiguration _config;

public SqlDataAccess(IConfiguration config)
{
    _config = config;
}
```

`_config` contains the connection string to the database. Passing it as a parameter rather than hardcoding it in the program allows it to be easily modified and therefore have loosely coupled.

4. For SQL commands that require return of data, type in the following inside the `SqlDataAccess` class as another method:

```
public List<T> LoadData<T, U>(string sqlStatement,
                              U parameters,
                              string connectionStringName,
                              bool isStoredProcedure)
{
    CommandType commandType = CommandType.Text;
    string connectionString = _config.GetConnectionString(connectionStringName);


    if (isStoredProcedure)
    {
        commandType = CommandType.StoredProcedure;
    }

    using (IDbConnection connection = new SqlConnection(connectionString))
    {
        List<T> rows = connection.Query<T>(sqlStatement, parameters,
                                           commandType: commandType).ToList();
        return rows;
    }
}
```

Stored procedures are a set of SQL code. They are usually used for commands that are frequently run, as the database stores it tokenized in memory unlike queries, that has to be compiled every time.

*T, U are generics, which is a concept that is a replacement of a specific data type.*

5. For SQL commands that save data into the database, type in the following inside the `SqlDataAccess` class as another method:



```
public void SaveData<T>(string sqlStatement,
                        T parameters,
                        string connectionStringName,
                        bool isStoredProcedure)
{
    string connectionString = _config.GetConnectionString(connectionStringName);
    CommandType commandType = CommandType.Text;

    if (isStoredProcedure)
    {
        commandType = CommandType.StoredProcedure;
    }

    using (IDbConnection connection = new SqlConnection(connectionString))
    {
        connection.Execute(sqlStatement, parameters, commandType: commandType);
    }
}
```

6. Right click “public class `SqlDataAccess`” > Quick Actions and Refactoring > Extract Interface
7. Keep the default settings. For reference:

Extract Interface ? X

New Type Name:

Generated name:

Select destination

☐ Add to current file

☒ New file name:

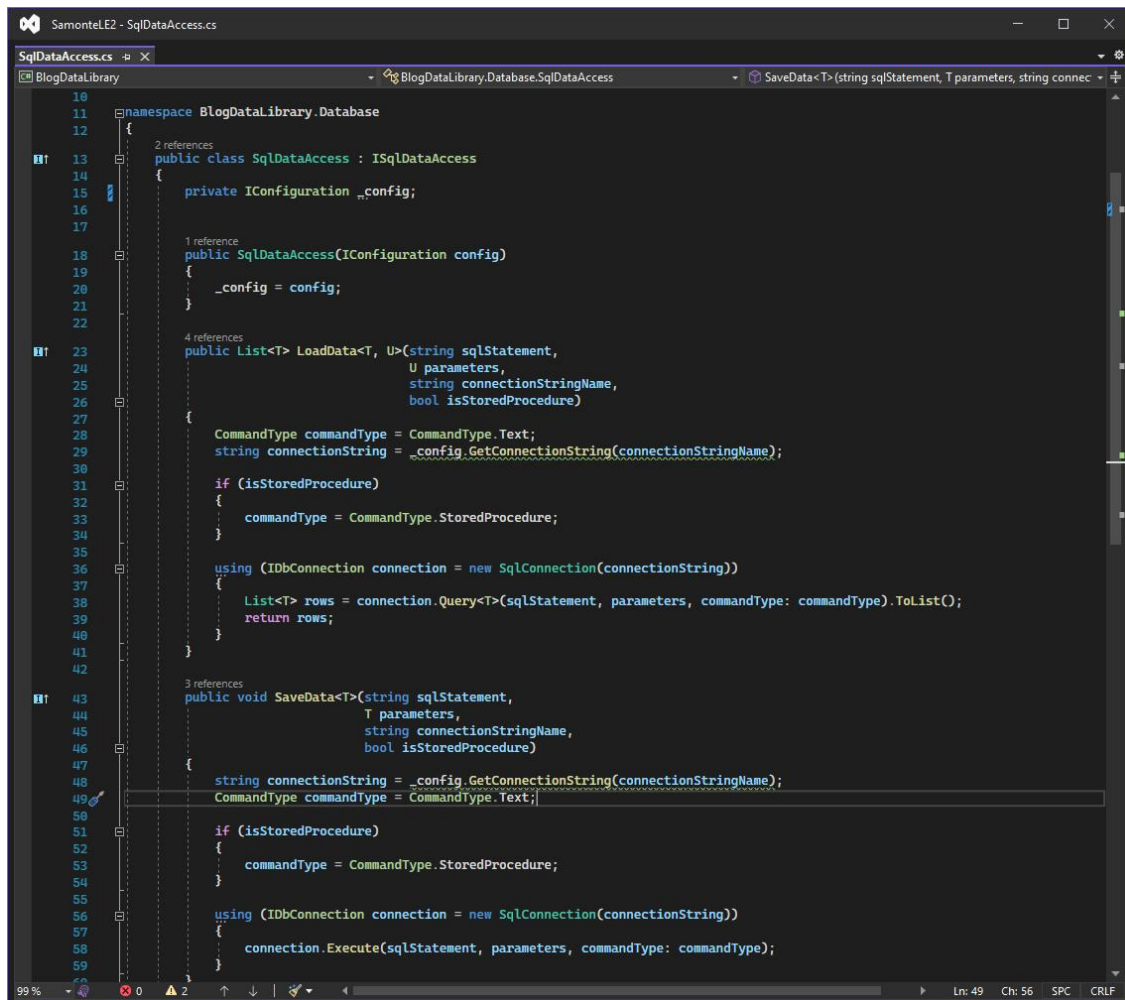
Select public members to form interface

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	LoadData<T, U>(string, U, string, bool)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SaveData<T>(string, T, string, bool)

Select All  
Deselect All

OK Cancel

8. Your SqlDataAccess.cs should look like this:



```
10
11 namespace BlogDataLibrary.Database
12 {
13     2 references
14     public class SqlDataAccess : ISqlDataAccess
15     {
16         private IConfiguration _config;
17
18         1 reference
19         public SqlDataAccess(IConfiguration config)
20         {
21             _config = config;
22         }
23
24         4 references
25         public List<T> LoadData<T, U>(string sqlStatement,
26                                     U parameters,
27                                     string connectionStringName,
28                                     bool isStoredProcedure)
29         {
30             CommandType commandType = CommandType.Text;
31             string connectionString = _config.GetConnectionString(connectionStringName);
32
33             if (isStoredProcedure)
34             {
35                 commandType = CommandType.StoredProcedure;
36             }
37
38             using (IDbConnection connection = new SqlConnection(connectionString))
39             {
40                 List<T> rows = connection.Query<T>(sqlStatement, parameters, commandType: commandType).ToList();
41                 return rows;
42             }
43
44         3 references
45         public void SaveData<T>(string sqlStatement,
46                                T parameters,
47                                string connectionStringName,
48                                bool isStoredProcedure)
49         {
50             string connectionString = _config.GetConnectionString(connectionStringName);
51             CommandType commandType = CommandType.Text;
52
53             if (isStoredProcedure)
54             {
55                 commandType = CommandType.StoredProcedure;
56             }
57
58             using (IDbConnection connection = new SqlConnection(connectionString))
59             {
60                 connection.Execute(sqlStatement, parameters, commandType: commandType);
61             }
62         }
63     }
64 }
```

9. On the BlogDataLibrary Project, add a new folder named Data.
10. Create a new class named SqlData.
11. Type in the db, connectionStringName property and the constructor:

```
private ISqlDataAccess _db;
private const string connectionStringName = "SqlDb";

public SqlData(ISqlDataAccess db)
{
    _db = db;
}
```

*ISqlDataAccess is used as a parameter so that it accepts anything that implements the interface. This lab exercise uses SQL Server, but if ever other SQL DBMS is used (eg. MySQL), there's no need to change this code as long as the MySQL class implements ISqlDataAccess.*

**Put all screenshots of this activity with the link of your GitHub repository in a MS Word file and submit it in the Blackboard link provided.**