



PHP PDO MySQL

Summary: in this tutorial, you will learn how to create a new sample database in MySQL for practicing with PDO.

Creating a database

First, log in to the MySQL database using the `root` user from the Command Prompt on Windows or Terminal on macOS and Linux:

```
mysql -u root
```

And you'll prompt for a password; enter the password for the `root` user and you're connected to the MySQL Server.

Next, create the `bookdb` database by executing the following `CREATE DATABASE` (<https://www.mysqltutorial.org/mysql-create-database/>) statement:

```
CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS bookdb;
```

Then, `select` (<https://www.mysqltutorial.org/mysql-select-database/>) to the `bookdb` database:

```
USE bookdb;
```

After that, execute the following `CREATE TABLE` (<https://www.mysqltutorial.org/mysql-create-database/>) statement to create the `publishers` table:

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS publishers (  
    publisher_id INT AUTO_INCREMENT,  
    name VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
```

```
PRIMARY KEY (publisher_id)
);
```

Finally, execute the following **CREATE TABLE** statement to create the **books** table:

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS books (
    book_id INT AUTO_INCREMENT,
    title VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
    isbn VARCHAR(13) NULL,
    published_date DATE NULL,
    publisher_id INT NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY (book_id),
    CONSTRAINT fk_publisher FOREIGN KEY (publisher_id)
        REFERENCES publishers (publisher_id)
);
```

Connecting to the bookdb database from PHP

First, create a **config.php** file to store the database parameters:

```
<?php

$host      = 'localhost';
$db        = 'bookdb';
$user      = 'root';
$password  = '';
```

Second, create a new **connect.php** file that connects to the **bookdb** database:

```
<?php

require 'config.php';

$dsn = "mysql:host=$host;dbname=$db;charset=UTF8";
```

```
try {  
    $options = [PDO::ATTR_ERRMODE => PDO::ERRMODE_EXCEPTION];  
  
    $conn = new PDO($dsn, $user, $password, $options);  
  
    if ($conn) {  
        echo "Connected to the $db database successfully!";  
    }  
} catch (PDOException $e) {  
    echo $e->getMessage();  
}
```

To make it more reusable, you can define a function called `connect()` that returns a new database connection and return it from the `connect.php` file:

```
<?php
```

```
require_once 'config.php';  
  
function connect($host, $db, $user, $password)  
{  
    $dsn = "mysql:host=$host;dbname=$db;charset=UTF8";  
  
    try {  
        $options = [PDO::ATTR_ERRMODE => PDO::ERRMODE_EXCEPTION];  
  
        return new PDO($dsn, $user, $password, $options);  
    } catch (PDOException $e) {  
        die($e->getMessage());  
    }  
}  
  
return connect($host, $db, $user, $password);
```

To get the database connection in other script files, you use the `require` (<https://www.phptutorial.net/php-tutorial/php-require/>) construct like this:

```
<?php

$pdo = require 'connect.php';

var_dump($pdo);
```

The `require` construct loads the `connect.php` file and returns the new instance of PDO returned by the `connect()` function.

Using the class-based approach

To use a `class` (<https://www.phptutorial.net/php-oop/php-objects/>) instead of a `function` (<https://www.phptutorial.net/php-tutorial/php-functions/>) to create a new database connection, you can follow these steps:

First, create a new file called `Connection.php` and define the `Connection` class:

```
<?php

require_once 'config.php';

class Connection
{
    public static function make($host, $db, $user, $password)
    {
        $dsn = "mysql:host=$host;dbname=$db;charset=UTF8";

        try {
            $options = [PDO::ATTR_ERRMODE => PDO::ERRMODE_E];

            return new PDO($dsn, $username, $password, $opt:
        } catch (PDOException $e) {
            die($e->getMessage());
        }
    }
}
```

```
        }  
    }  
}  
  
return Connection::make($host, $db, $user, $password);
```

The `Connection` class has the `make()` method that returns a new instance of PDO.

Second, use the `Connection.php` file in other script files as follows:

```
<?php
```

```
$pdo = require 'Connection.php';  
var_dump($pdo);
```

In this tutorial, you have learned how to create the `bookdb` database in the MySQL server and developed a reusable script for connecting the database.