

Mad Libs Database



Creating the database

1. Create a new database in Access and name it: **LastNameFirstName_Mad Libs**
2. Create a table using Design View with the following fields:



Field Name	Field Type
Exclamation	Text
Noun 1	Text
Noun 2	Text
Verb 1	Text
Verb 2	Text
Verb 3	Text
Verb 4	Text
Verb 5	Text
Verb 6	Text
Verb 7	Text
Verb 8	Text
Adjective 1	Text
Adjective 2	Text
Adverb	Text
Plural Noun 1	Text
Plural Noun 2	Text
A Place	Text
Occupation	Text
Room	Text
Number 1	Text
Number 2	Text
Number 3	Text
Number 4	Text
Type of Sport	Text

3. Save the table as **LastNameFirstName_Mad Libs Data**
4. Create a Simple Form and save as **LastNameFirstName_MLD Form**
5. Now, using the form you created, enter 10 records for each one of your fields. **Suggestion:** Write one complete record down on scrap paper and share with 10 of your classmates and vice versa. *Remember this must be school appropriate; keep your words clean.*
6. In case you have forgotten what adjectives, adverbs, nouns, and verbs are, here is a quick review.
 - An **EXCLAMATION** is any sort of funny sound, gasp, grunt, or outcry, like *Wow!*, *Ouch!*, *Whomp!*, *Ick!*, and *Gadzooks!*
 - A **NOUN** is the name of a person, place or thing. *Sidewalk*, *umbrella*, *bridle*, *bathtub*, and *nose* are nouns.
 - A **VERB** is an action word. *Run*, *pitch*, *jump*, and *swim* are verbs.
 - An **ADJECTIVE** describes something or somebody. *Lumpy*, *soft*, *ugly*, *messy*, and *short* are adjectives.
 - An **ADVERB** tells how something is done. It modifies a verb and usually ends in "ly." *Modestly*, *stupidly*, *greedily*, and *carefully* are adverbs.
 - When we ask for a **PLACE**, we mean any sort of place: a country or city (*Spain*, *Cleveland*) or a room (*bathroom*, *kitchen*).
7. Close Access.

Type the story

1. Open Microsoft Word and type the story, **Final Exams & Graduation**. Save as **LastNameFirstName_FinalExams**.
 - Format: Double space, Times New Roman, size 12 font. Bold and Underline the words as shown. These words will be replaced later with your merged data from your database.
 - Insert a Header with your First and Last Name

FINAL EXAMS & GRADUATION

I'm so nervous about taking my final exams! They're going to be so **Adjective**! Can you believe that I have **Number** of them? I'll have to **Verb** for **Number** hours!

I think I'll **Verb** my **Noun** exam, but I'm afraid that my **Occupation** exam will be really hard. My mom said that I have to **Verb** every night for the next few **Plural Noun**, which means that will be less time I have to play **Type Of Sport** and **Verb** on the phone. And I doubt I'll have any time to clean my **Room** or **Verb** my laundry. My parents promised they would take me and my best friend to **A Place** if we both get at least a/an **Number** on each of our exams. So I'm going to **Verb** extra **Adverb**!

Exclamation! I can't believe I'm almost finished with **Adjective** school! Since I was **Number** years old, I couldn't wait for this **Noun** to come. I just hope that when I **Verb** down the aisle with my fellow **Plural Noun**, I don't accidentally trip and **Verb**!"

Merging your database into your story

1. In Word, click on the Mailings tab, then Start Mail Merge, then Mail Merge Wizard.
2. The mail merge task pane should open on the right side of the screen.
3. Select Letters in Document Type and then click next.
4. Select Use the current document in Step 2 and click next.
5. Under Use an existing list select Browse.
6. Select your Mad Libs Database and click open on the table.
7. In the Mail Merge Recipients window, uncheck 8 of your records leaving only **two** records selected. Press OK.
8. Click Next: Write your letter. Highlight the appropriate words (Bold, Underline) and then select the appropriate field from the *Insert Merge Field* command (Mailing Ribbon).
9. Pick the appropriate field from the list.
10. Do this for each one of the words. (Do not select the same field more than once)
11. Select Next: preview your letters from the task pane, and click Edit Individual Documents so your 2 stories open in a brand new document. (You will not save this document)
12. Make sure your name appears in a header at the top of the page and print. Staple and turn into the box.
13. Turn in the Electronic copy of your Mad Libs Database to the Turn-in folder.

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Survivor

OUTWIT, OUTPLAY, OUTLAST

On the first day, your team will be assigned. You do not get to **VERB** who else is on your team, so you should hope you get a/an **ADJECTIVE** group of people! People who are slow and clumsy or who work **ADVERB** are not good additions to a team, because they will **VERB** you in challenges when you are trying to find food and **PLURAL NOUN**. However, you do not want skilled forest rangers either, because your goal is to **VERB**, and they will have a/an **ADJECTIVE** advantage over you in the long run. They might appear friendly, but they are manipulative and sneaky and will lie and **VERB** to win the game. Good luck!