

DATA MANIPULATION LANGUAGE (DML)

Deleting Data From The Database

Let's look at that first. The syntax for deleting data from the database in MySQL is

```
DELETE FROM      TableName
[WHERE           searchCondition]
```

A simple implementation of the delete statement would be

```
DELETE FROM student_contact;
```

As you can see from the above, example: this method removes all data present in the table, leaving behind the table and fields.

A slightly more advanced use of the DELETE clause is as follows

```
DELETE FROM students
WHERE      student_id=101;
```

The above example removes all data pertaining to the student whose student id is 101.