MS Access 2007

Management Information Systems

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What is a MS Access?

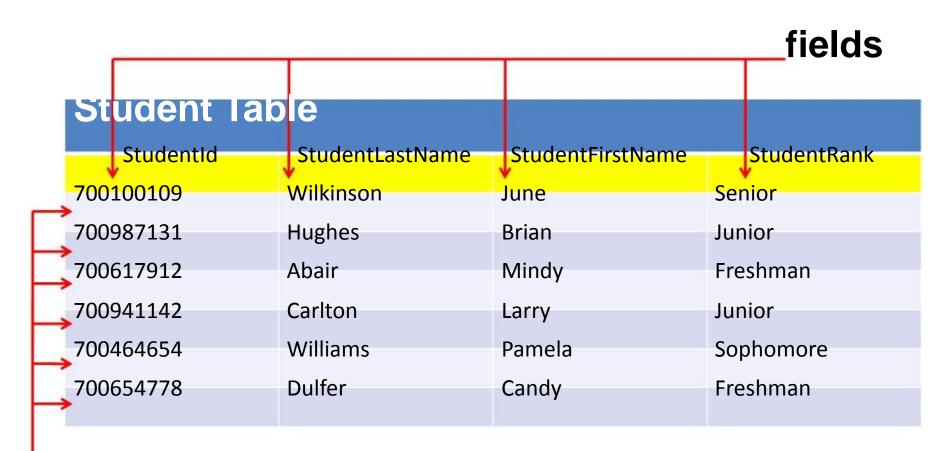
MS Access is an application software that facilitates us to create Database Management Systems (DBMS).

(DataBase Management System) Software that controls the organization, storage, retrieval, security and integrity of data in a database. It accepts requests from the application and instructs the operating system to transfer the appropriate data.

Access Terminology

- Field A single characteristic or attribute of a person, place, object, event, or idea. A field is also called as a Key.
- Record A set of related field values.
- <u>Table</u> A collection of records that identify a category of data, such as Customers, Orders, or Inventory.
- Query A tool (object) that extracts records from other tables / queries under some criteria.
- Form A tool (object) that makes easy operations on database like Insertion, deletion, saving, searching etc.
- Report A tool (object) through which we can take output (Hardcopy or softcopy) from the database.

Access Terminology (cont)



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The Access Window

- When a database is opened, the Access window and the Database window will be displayed.
- The Access window contains a menu bar, toolbars, a task pane, and a status bar.
- In the Access window, use the task pane to create a new database or to open an existing database.
 - To create a new database, make a selection from the New section of the task pane.
 - To open an existing database, select from the list of Recently opened databases or from the More files option.

The Database Window

- The Database window is the main control center for working with an Access database.
- The Database window contains a menu bar, one or more toolbars, an objects bar, and a groups bar.
 - The Objects bar lists all the objects available in the database.
 - The list of objects consists of tables, queries, forms, reports, pages, macros, and modules.
 - You can click on any of the objects in the Objects bar to obtain a list of objects of that type.

To Create New Database

To create The Database,

Click on File Menu > New

Type database filename and click on button. The database is created. You can see database name in the title bar of the database window.

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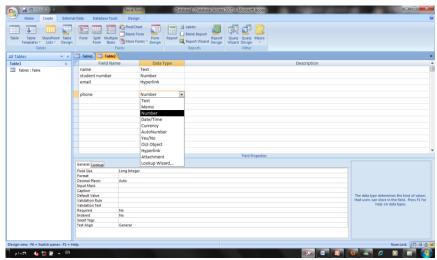
To Create New Table in Database

To create new table, follow the following steps:

- > Click on **Create** on the menu bar.
- Click on 'Table Design'

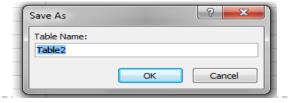
Type fieldnames and select data type in front of each fieldname (as shown in the

following figure).



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> When completed, then click on Save. Type Table name and click on OK.



Setting Field Properties

- Field properties include their data type, field sizes, and an optional description of the field.
- When selecting a field size, make sure the size is big enough to hold the largest piece of data that will be stored there.
- Make sure the data type you select for a field is appropriate for the kind of data to be stored in that field.

Field Properties

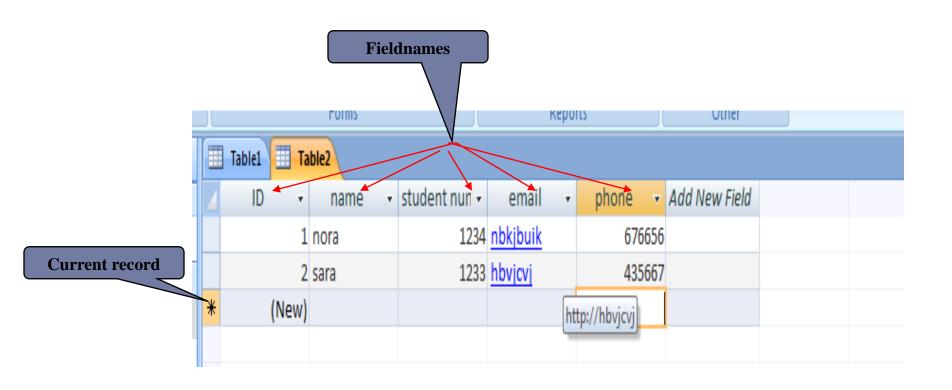
DATA TYPE	DESCRIPTION	FIELD SIZE	
Text	Allows field values containing letters, digits, spaces, and special characters. Use for names, addresses, descriptions, and fields containing digits that are not used in calculations.	0 to 255 characters: 50 characters default	
Memo	Allows field values containing letters, digits, spaces, and special characters. Use for long comments and explanations.	1 to 65,535 characters; exact size is determined by entry	
Number	Allows positive and negative numbers as field values. Numbers can contain digits, a decimal point, commas, a plus sign, and a minus sign. Use for fields that you will use in calculations, except calculations involving money.	1 to 15 digits	
Date/Time	Allows field values containing valid dates and times from January 1, 100 to December 31, 9999. Dates can be entered in mm/dd/yy (month, day, year) format, several other date formats, or a variety of time formats, such as 10:35 PM. You can perform calculations on dates and times, and you can sort them. For example, you can determine the number of days between two dates.	8 byles	
Currency	Allows field values similar to those for the number data type. Unlike- calculations with number data type decimal values, calculations performed using the currency data type are not subject to round-off error.	Accurate to 15 digits on the left side of the decimal separator and to 4 digits on the right side	
AutoNumber	Consists of integers with values controlled by Access, Access automatically inserts a value in the field as each new record is created. You can specify sequential numbering or random numbering, which guarantees a unique field value, so that such a field can serve as a table's primary key.	9 digits	
Yes/No	Limits field values to yes and no, on and off, or true and false. Use for fields that indicate the presence or absence of a condition, such as whether an order has been filled or whether an employee is eligible for the company dental plan.	1 character	
OLE Coject	Allows field values that are created in other programs as objects, such as photographs, video images, graphics, drawings, sound recordings, voice-mail messages, spreadsheets, and word-processing documents. These objects can be linked or embedded.	1 gigabyte maximum; exact size depends on object size	
Hyperlink.	Consists of text used as a hyperlink address. A hyperlink address can have up to three parts: the text that appears in a field or control: the path to a file or page; and a location within the file or page. Hyperlinks help you to connect your application easily to the internet or an intranet.	Up to 64,000 characters total for the three parts of a hyperlink data type:	
Lookup Wizard	Creates a field that lets you look up a value in another table or in a predefined list of values.	Same size as the primary key field used to perform the lookup	

Open an Access Database Table

▶ To open a table, you must first open a database:

- In the list of tables, select the table you want to open and click on the Open button.
- > When a table is opened, it is in Datasheet view, which shows the table's data as a collection of rows and columns.
- Each row in the Datasheet view represents a record in the table.

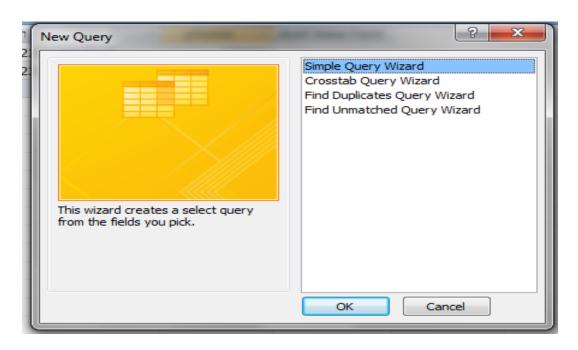
Data Sheet View of Table



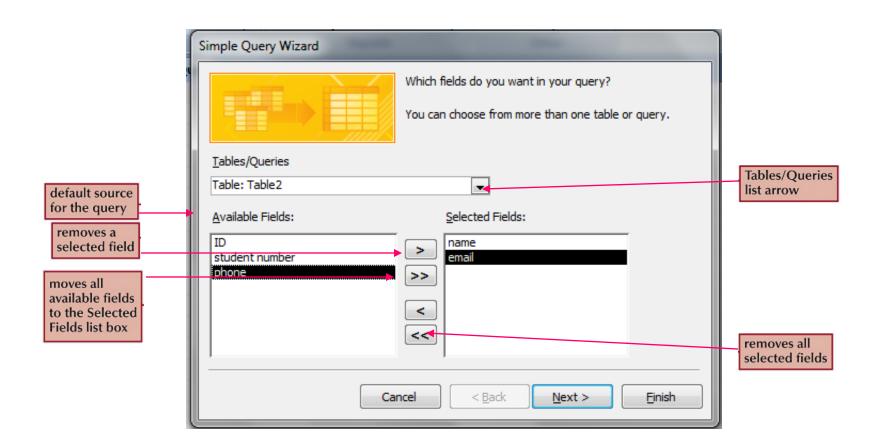
To Create New Query in Database

To create new Query, follow the following steps:

- Click on Create in menu bar.
- Click on 'Query Wizard'
- You will see the following dialogue box.



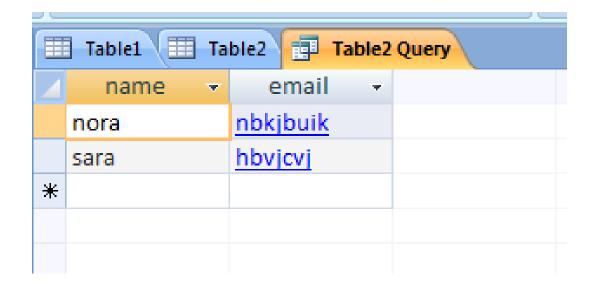




Fields Selection in Query

- In the Simple Query Wizard dialog box, select which fields you want included in the query.
 - Move all the fields into the Selected Fields box.
 - > Move the fields one at a time.
 - Remove fields out of the Selected Fields box by pressing one of the remove buttons.
- If you wanted to select all the fields except one, you can move them all to the selected fields list and then remove the one field you don't want.
- Once you have made your selections, press Next to move to the next dialog box in the Wizard.

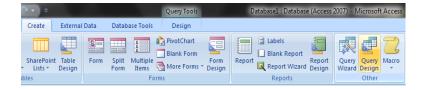
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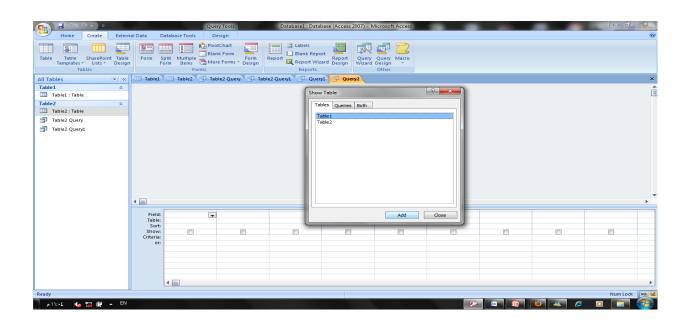
Create Query Design

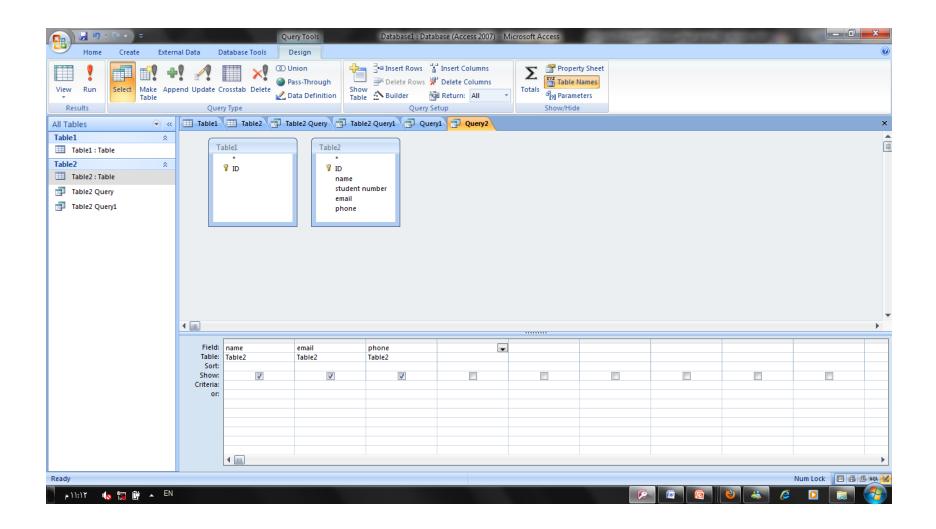
To create new Query, follow the following steps:

- > Click on **Create** in menu bar.
- Click on 'Query design'



You will see the following dialogue box .





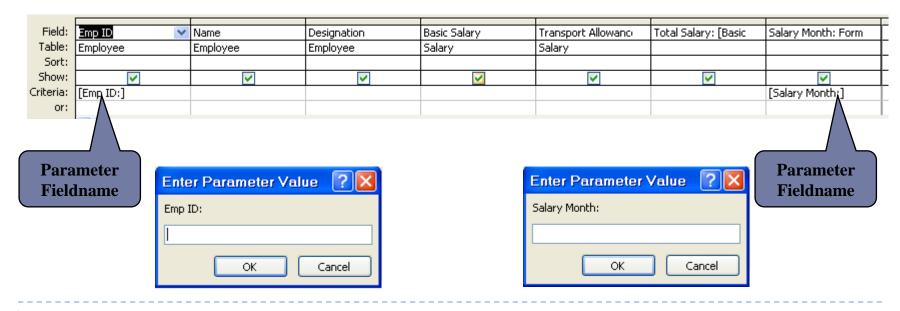
Criteria in Query

- Criteria in the query means the condition which is fulfilled for extraction of records from table like Basic Salary<=3000.</p>
- Access contains the following comparison operators. These operators are used in criteria as per requirements:

Operator	Meaning	Example
=	equal to (optional; default operator)	="Hall"
<	less than	<#1/1/99#
<=	less than or equal to	<=100
>	greater than	>"C400"
>=	greater than or equal to	>=18.75
<>	not equal to	<>"Hall"
Between And	between two values (inclusive)	Between 50 And 325
In ()	in a list of values	In ("Hall", "Seeger")
Like	matches a pattern that includes wildcards	Like "706*"

Parameter Query

- The parameter query will prompt the user to enter the value they want to use to select records. Once the user has supplied this information, those records that match the value will be displayed in the query datasheet.
- To create parameter query, enter the fields (for which the query will ask the user for values) in the Criteria under that fieldname as [fieldname:]. In the following example, there are two parameters for which the user is asked when the query is run *Emp ID* and *Salary Month*.



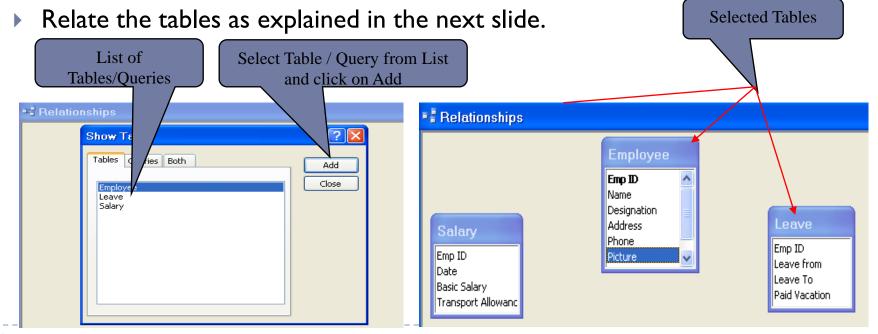
Relational Database Management System

- Primary Key The key that uniquely identifies record in the table is called Primary Key.
- Foreign Key A foreign key (sometimes called a referencing key) is a key used to link two tables together. Typically you take the primary key field from one table and insert it into the other table where it becomes a foreign key (it remains a primary key in the original table).
- Relational Database In Relational Database, data is held in tables (also called relations) and the tables are linked by means of common fields. Relational databases support a number of different types of relationships between tables, all designed to enforce the concept of referential integrity. Access supports three different types of relationships between tables.

- One-to-one relationships occur when there is exactly one record in Table-A that corresponds to exactly one record in Table-B.
- One-to-many relationships occur when each record in Table-A may have many linked records in Table-B but each record in Table-B may have only one corresponding record in Table-A.
- Many-to-many relationships occur when each record in Table-A may have many linked records in Table-B and vice-versa.
- Peferential integrity is a database concept that ensures that relationships between tables remain consistent. When one table has a foreign key to another table, the concept of referential integrity states that you may not add a record to the table that contains the foreign key unless there is a corresponding record in the linked table. It also includes the techniques known as cascading update and cascading delete, which ensure that changes made to the linked table are reflected in the primary table.

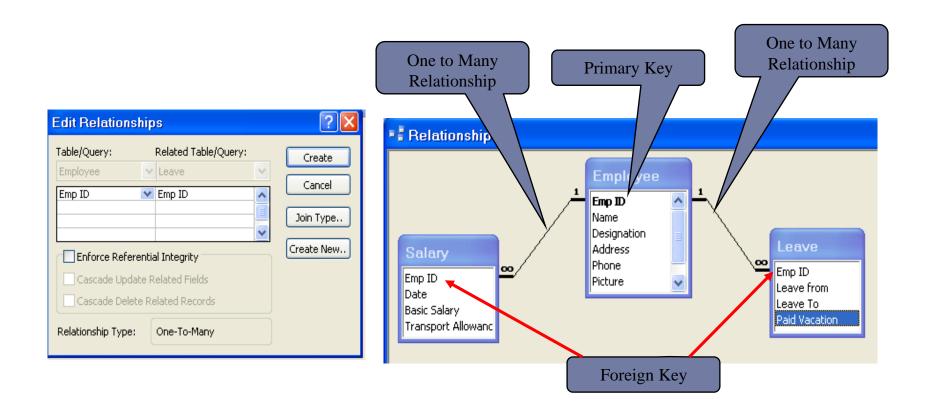
Creating Relationships Between Tables

- Close any open table so that only the database window is visible.
- Click on Tools (menu) > Relationships, or Click on the Relationships icon in the standard toolbar. The Relationships window appears:
- Now right click an empty part of the relationship window and select Show Tables option.
- Add tables or queries you want to relate



Relating Two Tables

- Move the mouse pointer to the primary key field in the primary table. That key is boldfaced.
- Drag that fieldname to the corresponding field in the related table (Child table) i.e. drag it to the appropriate foreign key.
- Release the mouse button to display a dialogue box.
- Select (Check) the Enforce Referential Integrity to enforce referential integrity between the two tables.
- Click the Create button to finish the job.

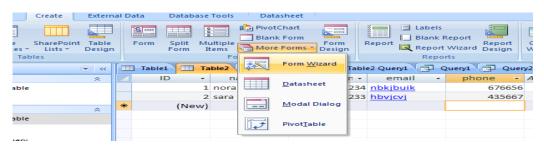


Creating Forms in Database

Form – A tool (object) that makes it easy to operate on database like Insertion, deletion, saving, searching records etc.

To create new Form, follow the following steps:

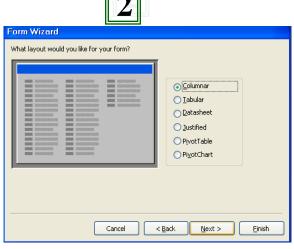
- Click on Create in menu bar then more form then form wizard.
- There are two methods to create new form: Design View and Form Wizard'
- Design View: Select the Design View option to create the form yourself by adding controls in Design View.
- Form Wizard: Select the Form Wizard option to have Access create the form for you according to your specifications. The form wizard option lets you choose the specific fields to include which might belong to one or more tables or queries.

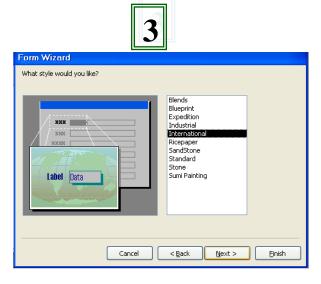


Form Wizard

- click on Create Form by using Wizard, you will see the following dialogue box.
- Select Table/Query, select fields and click on OK.
- Select Layout of Form i.e. Columnar, Tabular.....
- Select Style of Form like Blends, Blueprint,
- Then save form with any title.



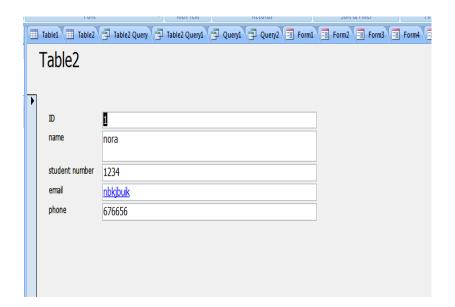




Creating Form (Cont)

You can add controls to the form this toolbox.

View of the Form During Design.



Creating Reports in Database

Report is a tool (object) through which you get output (hardcopy or softcopy) from the database.

To create new Report, follow the following steps:

- Click on CREATE in menu bar then report wizard.
- There are two methods to create new form: Design View and Report Wizard'
- Design View: Select the Design View option to create the Report yourself by adding controls in Design View.
- Report Wizard: Select the Report Wizard option to have Access create the Report for you according to your specifications. The Report wizard option lets you choose the specific fields to include which might belong to one or more tables or queries.



Create a Report Using the Report Wizard

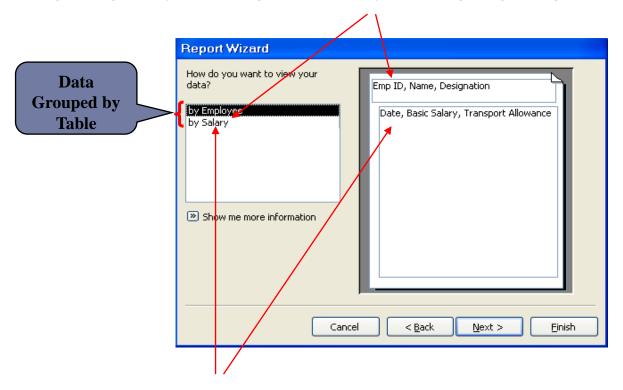
- You can easily create a formatted printout of data in table(s) in a database by using the Report Wizard.
- The Report Wizard will ask you a series of questions to help you format the report.
- Once the report has been created, either with the Report Wizard or your own design, you can change the design later.
- You will find that the choices you make in the Report Wizard are similar to the choices in the Form Wizard.
- Choices include grouping and sorting options, as well as report layout options. You can preview the report to view how it will look when printed.

Steps in Creating a Report

- 1. Create a new report with Report Wizard.
- 2. Select primary table (or query) In this example, select Employee table.
- 3. Move the following fields from the Available Fields list box to the Selected fields list box:
 - Emp ID
 - Name
 - Designation
- 4. Select related table (or query) In this example, select Salary table.
- 5. Move the following fields from the Available Fields list box to the Selected fields list box:
 - Date
 - Basic Salary
 - Transport Allowance
- 6. Click Next to get further dialogue box for grouping level.

Grouping Report Data

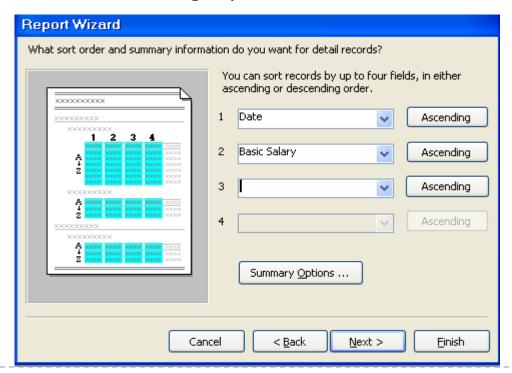
You should decide how you want the report to be grouped. This figure shows a sample report (in the Report Wizard) that is grouped by the Employee table.



The secondary table is the Salary table. This will develop a report where each employer's Salary is grouped under that employer.

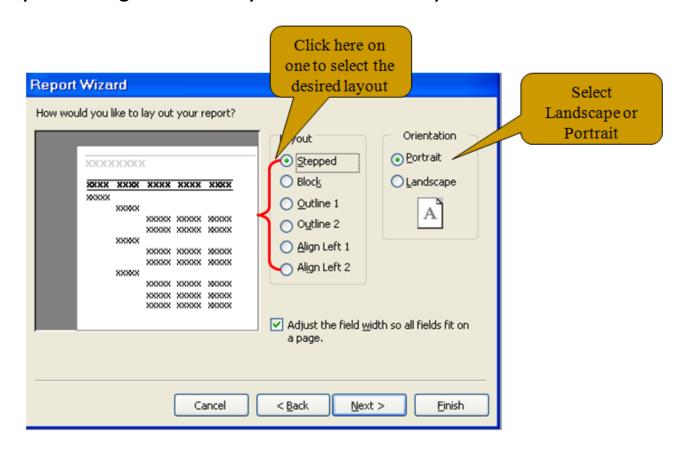
Sorting Report Data

- You can sort the data on a particular field or on several fields.
- If you choose to sort on two or more fields, the grouping is in order as selected on the Sort Order portion of the Report Wizard.
 - If you choose to sort on Date and then on Basic Salary, the report would be sorted on Date and then within each Date group, the data would be sorted on Basic Salary.



Choose a Report Layout

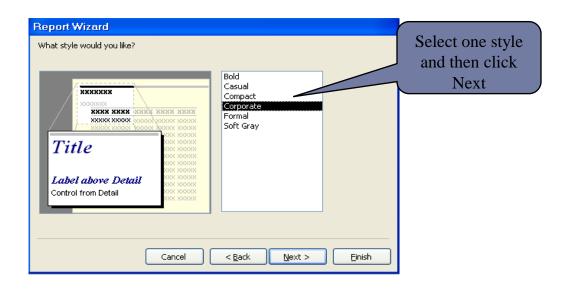
The Layout dialogue box asks you to select the layout and orientation.



Then click next.

Choose a Report Style

- The next dialogue box asks you to select the Style of the report.
- Select the desired style and click Next.



- Save your Report with a Report name. Now the report is ready. You can make changes in it by opening it into design view.
- Then click next.

Preview and Print a Report

• Before printing the report, you can view it in Print Preview by pressing the Print Preview button.

Salary for the Month of	Jan 2009		
Designation	Basic Salary	Transport Allowance	Total Salary
Manager	3000	500	3500
Assistant Manager	5000	500	5500
Secretary	4500	300	48 00
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	Designation Manager Assistant Manager	Designation Basic Salary Manager 3000 Assistant Manager 5000	Designation Basic Salary Transport Allowance Manager 3000 500 Assistant Manager 5000 500

- If the preview looks OK, you can print the report. To print the report:
 - > Click the File menu, and then click Print.

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