



# Unit: 5.4 Databases

#### **Key Learning**

- To learn how to search for information in a database.
- To contribute to a class database.
- To create a database around a chosen topic.

### **Key Resources**







### **Key Questions**

#### What is a database?

A collection of data organised in such a way that it can be searched, and information found easily. Database usually refers to data stored on computers.

# Why is the collaborative feature important?

Making a database collaborative allows lots of people to enter information into the database at the same time. This is a lot quicker than one person entering the data by themselves.

# In what ways can I sort information in a database?

A database can hold lots of information so it is essential that information can be effectively investigated. In 2Investigate, data can be searched and sorted in a variety of ways. It can also be presented pictorially.





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## Avatar

An icon or figure representing a person in a video game, Internet forum, etc.

# Binary tree (branching database)

A way to sort information by dividing the information into groups based upon questions with yes or no answers.

#### Charts

Representing information in a pictorial form.

## **Key Vocabulary**

#### Collaborative

Produced by, or involving, two or more parties working together.

#### Data

Facts and statistics collected together for information.

#### **Database**

A set of data that can be held in a computer in a format that can be searched and sorted for information.

#### Find

Search for information in a database.

#### Record

A collection of data about one item entered into a database.

# Sort, Group and Arrange

Different ways to sort information in a database to it is easy to read, understand and interpret.

## **Statistics and reports**

To produce information about data in a database.

### **Table**

Sorting information into rows and columns.





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## **Key Images**



Open, close or share a file



Design a new database



Add a record to the database



Find information in the database



Sort, group and arrange information



Statistics and reports



Represent the information as a chart



Avatar creator

