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Scenario

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Dolphin Theatre Booking System

The Dolphin Theatre is staging a one week production of 'An Inspector Calls'. There will be a series of matinee and evening performances to allow pupils to attend as part of their GCSE English course.

The theatre, which is quite small, has 120 seats.

There is a restricted view from eight of the seats because of inconveniently sited pillars. Tickets for these seats are sold at a lower price.

Seats are priced at £8 each for the Stalls, £12 each for the Front Stalls and £15 each for the Circle. The eight seats with a restricted view are priced at £5 each.

Some customers have 'Friend' status because they have invested in the theatre. They are entitled to a discount of 10% on any tickets they buy.

Enquiries and bookings can only be made by telephone. These are handled by the receptionist.

At present the theatre uses a flat-file database for the booking system. This is prone to errors such as double bookings.

The theatre director, Maggie Coyle, wants a new booking system that is:

- secure, requiring a username and password to access it
- robust
- intuitive and simple to use.

The new system must be able to:

- show easily which seats are available
- book a seat for a specified performance
- add a new customer
- note whether customers want their details passed to the marketing department or not
- apply the appropriate discount when a 'Friend' makes a booking
- print the booked tickets for each performance.

Your task is to create a database for the new booking system that will meet the requirements of the theatre director.