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Subject: Demonstration Data

Posted by [alrobertson](#) on Tue, 04 Dec 2007 18:57:22 GMT

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Can you suggest a way to have an alternate set of data that users can use for learning and trying out features without working with the real database. I realize I can put a copy of the whole application on a different server but that is not very practical in my situation. I don't mind making a complete different copy of the radicare directory but it seems that would not get me anywhere since it is still looking at the same mySQL database. I want it to use the normal menu database including the normal tasks but different application data. I was wondering if I could redefine the subsystem to point a the normal application directory but a different database but if so, how would the user select that at runtime? Any suggestions?

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Subject: Re: Demonstration Data

Posted by [AJM](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 10:06:19 GMT

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It is not possible to access both a 'test' and 'live' environment through the same URL, so you will have to set up a different one for each. It would then be possible to detect the server name through which the application is being accessed, and you could set \$GLOBALS['dbprefix'] to include a prefix on all database names (such as 'test\_', for example). This would then enable you to keep the 'test' database(s) separate from the 'live' ones.

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