Subject: Display lookup values in list1
Posted by bonzo_bcn on Tue, 15 Jul 2008 20:01:22 GMT
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My table has several lookup values:
1,basketball
2,footbal
etc.

In the list1 transaction only the number is displayed. Is it possible to display the name instead of
the number?

Subject: Re: Display lookup values in list1
Posted by AJM on Fri, 18 Jul 2008 11:02:16 GMT
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Yes. Simply define that column as being a dropdown list, as described in
http://www.tonymarston.net/php-mysql/infrastructure-faq.html #faq09. It will then display the
representation (eg: 'basketball') instead of the value (eg: '1').

Subject: Re: Display lookup values in list1
Posted by bonzo_bcn on Fri, 18 Jul 2008 14:31:29 GMT
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I found out that if the description field of each dropdown had the same name, then the description
wasn't displayed, that was the problem I had.

For example:

Category table:
category_id
name

Sport table:
sport_id
name

Then if in the 'team' table you define two fields as dropdowns to this tables, as both have the
same description name, the name was not displayed. I changed the field names to:
Category table:
category_id
category_desc

Sport table:
sport_id

sport_desc

and it worked.

Subject: Re: Display lookup values in list1
Posted by AJM on Fri, 18 Jul 2008 14:42:40 GMT
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Using generic names such as ID, DESCRIPTION or NAME on different tables is never a good idea IMHO, for reasons discussed in
http://www.tonymarston.net/php-mysql/database-design.html#fi eld.names.and.content.

I'm glad you've got your problem sorted out.