

1. Connect to MySQL server

Use the `mysqli_connect` function with server details, including hostname, username, password, and database name (the database to connect to, not the one to create).



```
$conn = mysqli_connect("localhost", "your_username", "your_password",  
"existing_database_name");
```

2. Define SQL statement

Write the `CREATE DATABASE` statement with the desired name for new database.



```
$sql = "CREATE DATABASE new_database_name;"
```

3. Execute the query

Use the `mysqli_query` function to execute the SQL statement on connection.



```
mysqli_query($conn, $sql)
```

4. Close the connection

Always remember to close the connection to your MySQL server with `mysqli_close($conn)`.



```
mysqli_close($conn)
```

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