SELECT is used to search:

SELECT field1, field2, field5

FROM table

WHERE search criteria

ORDER BY field ASC or DESC;

SELECT field1, field2, field5

This tells the query to pick out just these three fields

FROM table

This is the table to get the fields from.

When we get more complex, we'll use SELECT queries that use more than one table

WHERE search criteria

This is your **search criteria**.

This is done by using fields to specify what records to extract:

```
WHERE price > 9.99
```

WHERE supplier = "LASCO" etc...

ORDER BY field ASC or DESC;

What order to present the data in:

ASC is **ascending** order (0-9, a-z etc...)

DESC is **descending** order (9-0, z-a etc...)

ASC = going up DESC = going down

Examples:

```
SELECT ProductName, Price, Stock
FROM foods;
```

- No search criteria, no order being specified

```
SELECT *
FROM foods;
```

- No search criteria, no order being specified
- * is a **wildcard**. It means that we want everything from the table

```
SELECT ProductName, Price, Stock
FROM foods
WHERE Stock < 50;</pre>
```

- No order being specified

```
SELECT ProductName, Price, Stock
FROM foods
WHERE Price >= 1
ORDER BY Price ASC;
```

```
SELECT ProductName, Price, Stock
FROM foods
WHERE Stock < 100 AND SupplierID =
"S121A"</pre>
```

- multiple search criteria

ORDER BY Stock DESC;