

## How can I do a mass find and replace in articles?

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You can write one-line find-and-replace statements in SQL.

To find a string in a certain field and replace it with another string:

```
UPDATE [table_name] SET [field_name] = REPLACE([field_name],[string_to_find],[string_to_replace]);
```

To not affect date updated for the articles use following sql:

```
UPDATE [table_name] SET [field_name] = REPLACE([field_name],[string_to_find],[string_to_replace]), date_updated=date_updated;
```

To find what articles will be affected:

```
SELECT [field] FROM [table_name] WHERE [field_name] LIKE '%[string_to_find]%';
```

Example: replace "apple" to "banana" in all articles

```
UPDATE kbp_kb_entry SET body = REPLACE(body,'apple','banana'), date_updated=date_updated;
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