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Update WordPress database connection string

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If your WordPress site is out of sync with your database and displays the following error: "Error Connecting to the Database", you'll need to update the connection strings on your WordPress site. You should alwaysÂ backup your siteÂ before performing any troubleshooting. [Locate your database details](). Edit the wp-config.php for your website InÂ **wp-config.phpÂ** file, locate the section that looks like this example:

```
/** The name of the database for WordPress */
define('DB_NAME', 'yourdatabasename');
/** MySQL database username */
define('DB_USER', 'yourusername');
/** MySQL database password */
define('DB_PASSWORD', 'yourpassword');
/** MySQL hostname */
define('DB_HOST', 'yourhostname');
$table_prefix  = 'yourtableprefix';
```

  Confirm the information in this file matches the database details you found earlier. ReplaceÂ **yourdatabasenameÂ** with your MySQL Database Name ReplaceÂ **yourusernameÂ** with your MySQL User Name ReplaceÂ **yourpasswordÂ** with your MySQL password ReplaceÂ **yourhostnameÂ** with your MySQL Host Name ReplaceÂ **yourtableprefixÂ** with your Table Prefix   If any of the information in the wp-config.php file doesn't match your database details, then update the file with the correct information. Save the updated file. Check your website to verify it's back online.

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