

## Re: Parent/Child concept in SQL tables – How do I

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>> *What is the best approach to pull information from a table which has an ID and a ParentID? a directory tree structure* <<

You have the worst design of all the approaches I found. Here is the link on Amazon.com for my new book on "Trees & Hierarchies in SQL"

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Please post DDL, so that people do not have to guess what the keys, constraints, Declarative Referential Integrity, datatypes, etc. in your schema are.

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