

## Assignment 7

### VISUALIZE A DATABASE

*Bulletin 2 (Contact list) is a database in table form. For each member it shows 8 pieces of data:*

*first name  
gender, male or female (usually implied by first name)  
surname  
matriculation number  
academic year, 1 or 2  
programme (clasVEM etc.)  
email (and perhaps website) address  
mobile number.*

*This assignment asks you to display some of this data – not as a table but more graphically (2D image) or plastically (3D).*

- 1 Choose 12 people from Bulletin 2, including yourself. All must have a different first name
- 2 Discover their cities of birth (by emailing or phoning them?). If you can't: fabricate the answers
- 3 Make a database table showing, for each member:
  - first name
  - gender
  - academic year
  - city of birth
- 4 Design a way of displaying this data (but no other information) more visually – either in 2D (e.g. paper or a screen) or as a 3D construction. The display must be static: not interactive, or moving or changing over time
- 5 On one or more A3 sheets draw (or construct) your design
- 6 Write your full name (*nome e cognome*) on your display
- 7 When you arrive at the next lesson, immediately fix the display to the wall and be prepared to explain it to everyone.

*This is primarily a visual design assignment, not a research assignment. You are designers, so please be inventive.*