setup adminer (phpMyAdmin alternative)

phpMyAdmin has grown into such a powerful tool with so many features that it is often a complete overkill. Adminer on the ohter hand is focused on being sleek and simple, with less features but quick to get up and running. it usally does the basic stuff that most people use phpMyAdmin for.

here are the few steps needed to set it up.

If you already have a working webserver with PHP

download the latest version of adminer to your document root

```
wget http://www.adminer.org/latest.php -O adminer.php
```

create an admin user as described below and then access your adminer.php file to see the gui

ubuntu: if you start with a plain installatin

actually installing adminer in ubuntu is probably one of the fastest ways to get a full LAMP stack up and running in a matter of seconds:

```
apt install adminer mariadb-server
```

this installs all you need, next enable the adminer config in apache

```
a2enconf adminer
systemctl reload apache2
```

follow the next paragraph to add an admin user and finally open http://myserver/adminer to get to the gui

create a mysql admin user

on the command line as root:

```
mysql
CREATE USER 'admin'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'some_pass';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON *.* TO 'admin'@'localhost' WITH GRANT OPTION;
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

finally open your adminer.php in a browser and login with your admin user, it's as simple as that :)

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