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Yes they are on a network, so your solution makes a lot of sense. I also like your thought about using Outlook to send onscreen messages. I will look at the barcoding part later, but this is very encouraging. Thanks VERY much for your reply !

"PC Datasheet" wrote:

- > Are the office and warehouse on a network? If so, they would both be using
- > the same database. The database file containing the tables would be
- > installed on the server and both the warehouse and office would have a copy
- > of the application file installed on their computer. A simple way for the
- > office to communicate that an order has been placed and for the warehouse
- > to communicate that an order has been filled is to place this information on
- > the opening screen of the database. Presumably both the office and warehouse
- > use their computers for other tasks so they could periodically check the
- > database for new messages. Outlook has a feature where on-screen messages
- > can be sent. This is an alternative whereby Access could be programmed to
- > send a message through Outlook. Another alternative is that Access could be
- > programmed to send out emails about order status.
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- > Re Barcodes. This is an everyday task for Access. Open Access, go to reports
- > and click New. You will see there a label wizard for creating just about any
- > kind of label you might want. For the barcode part, this is just a matter of
- > setting the font in the label report to a barcode font. Easy stuff for
- > Access!
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- > PC Datasheet
- > Your Resource For Help With Access, Excel And Word Applications
- > [resource@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:resource@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
- > [www.pcdatasheet.com](http://www.pcdatasheet.com)
- >
- > If you can't get the help you need in the newsgroup, I can help you for a
- > very reasonable fee. Over 1000 Access users have come to me for help.
- > Need a month calendar or 7 day calendar? Need appointment scheduling? Need
- > room reservations scheduling? Need employee work scheduling? Contact me!
- >

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> "James B" <JamesB@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
> [news:D5C23128-13DE-40F5-8CE2-595B6E1B39F9@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:D5C23128-13DE-40F5-8CE2-595B6E1B39F9@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>> OK...you've got me thinking that I am on the right path. I do have Access  
>> and  
>> I am pretty familiar with Frontpage.  
>> You seem very knowledgeable about this so I am going to propose a couple  
>> more  
>> scenarios to you if you don't mind.  
>> I have one person in the office entering orders, I have one person in the  
>> warehouse filling the orders. Can Access somehow alert the person in the  
>> warehouse that a new order has been entered and on the flip side send an  
>> acknowledgement to the inside person that the order has been filled and  
>> shipped, through something as simple as a screenprompt, etc..  
>> And my final question, sorry if I am being a pest, I'd just like to know  
>> if  
>> certain things are possible, then I'll go off and figure out how to make  
>> it  
>> happen....say there is an order placed that requires 10 boxes or totes (we  
>> ship parts to Daimler Chrysler in totes) to fill the order. Each box or  
>> tote  
>> has to have a unique barcode label printed and affixed to the box or tote.  
>> Can Access do this simply by knowing the total qty of the order and the  
>> amount of parts that one box or tote contains? I guess creating the  
>> barcode  
>> labels is my greatest concern with Access. Right now we use an antiquated  
>> system based on the PICK OS, but it does do a very good job of automating  
>> the  
>> labeling process.  
>> Anyway, I hope I am not wasting your time, just want to know what I am  
>> getting into BEFORE I get into it.  
>> Thanks again !!!  
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>> "Pat Hartman(MVP)" wrote:  
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>>> I would use Access. I find web applications flat, slow, and annoying.  
>>> I  
>>> don't like to use them. I have no interest in developing them. They  
>>> remind  
>>> me very much of my mainframe days. They may look prettier than my CICS  
>>> screens for the 3270 but they work essentially the same way and with the  
>>> same limitations. Only the client/server environment can give you a  
>>> "rich"  
>>> experience at this time.  
>>>  
>>> If you are not already an experienced developer with C# or any other  
>>> language that you choose to use, you don't have a snowball's chance in  
>>> Hell  
>>> of getting an application up and running by yourself. However, Access is  
>>> such a rich and forgiving development environment that many

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>>> non-developers  
>>> are able to develop workable applications.  
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>>> No software is the perfect tool for all tasks. You should choose the  
>>> tool  
>>> that works best for each task. Right now, Access is the tool for the  
>>> basic  
>>> application. I suggested FrontPage for the web parts, not because it is  
>>> the  
>>> best tool necessarily, but because it is a tool that you might already  
>>> have  
>>> and it doesn't take a PHD to get it working.  
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>>> [news:20DB927D-59A8-4AED-8AA2-E82F7B9D976F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:20DB927D-59A8-4AED-8AA2-E82F7B9D976F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>> > Thanks for your response ! In a perfect world what software would YOU  
>>> > use  
>>> > to  
>>> > do a first rate job of accomplishing a rich, feature filled, inventory  
>>> > system?  
>>> >  
>>> > "Pat Hartman(MVP)" wrote:  
>>> >  
>>> >> 1. Access can use any printer for which you have the correct windows  
>>> >> drivers  
>>> >> and fonts.  
>>> >> 2. Access doesn't have very good web tools. As long as all you want  
>>> >> is  
>>> >> the  
>>> >> ability to view data, something like FrontPage could be used to  
>>> >> present  
>>> >> Access data as a web page.  
>>> >>  
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>>> >> [news:13EC6AF3-679E-42BC-9B72-2AABFF91E3D2@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:13EC6AF3-679E-42BC-9B72-2AABFF91E3D2@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)  
>>> >> >I am wanting to build a warehouse inventory system and would like to  
>>> >> >use  
>>> >> > Access since we already own it. I would like to know if someone can  
>>> >> > tell  
>>> >> > me  
>>> >> > if Access is capable of doing a couple of things before I start.  
>>> >> > 1. Can Access create / output barcode labels to a thermal printer  
>>> >> > such  
>>> >> > as  
>>> >> > an  
>>> >> > Intermec 3400?  
>>> >> > 2. Can the Access database somehow be converted / used as a webpage?  
>>> >> > The  
>>> >> > reason I would want to do this is to allow customers access to the  
>>> >> > system  
>>> >> > to

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