

# GridView basics

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Hello, here are some basic GridView questions. I'm using a GridView in Visual Web Developer to display data from an SQLServer database. I use C# as programming language.

- How can I format the text in a column. I'm looking for some event handler that takes the value from the database and formats it for rendering it on the webpage. Is using a TemplateField the right direction?
  - Some columns in the query contain codes that should be looked up in lookup tables. I don't want to join all of those tables in the query, but look them up at display time and render the description in stead of the code. Is there a typical precooked way to do this?
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