

## Re: VS2005 Not ready for prime time

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I have to agree with Karl. I haven't done any ASP.Net with VS.Net 2005 yet, but I've been using it for a variety of other projects for over a year. For everything else, it is an amazing dev environment. From what I've read in the SDK regarding ASP.Net 2.0, and what I've read in the newsgroups and Google about ASP.Net 2.0 and the VS.Net IDE for it, I am not exactly chomping at the bit to dive in.

I believe Microsoft had the right idea with the change from classic ASP to ASP.Net. It demanded more knowledge of the developer, forcing developers to become better developers. That's good for everybody. Yes, there were some issues with it, but simply catering to the deliberately ignorant, which it sounds like happened with the latest incarnation, and breaking the original programming model so drastically with so little benefit, except perhaps in terms of accomodating the deliberately ignorant, well, I'm not so sure whether the judgment exercised in the case of ASP.Net 2.0 was correctly motivated.

Master Pages are a good idea, for sure. Breaking up the monolithic assembly was a good idea, but I'm not sure I like the alternative arrived at. It seems that both one assembly per project, and one assembly per Page are poor solutions at opposite ends of the spectrum. And why the drastic change in the assembly locations, extra folders, etc.?

I will adjust and adapt. That is a crucial programming skill. But I do wonder about this particular technology. Still, as I said, in terms of everything else Visual Studio.Net 2005 does, and everything else in the .Net platform 2.0, Microsoft hit the ball right out of the park.

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HTH,

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We got a sick zebra a hat,  
you ultimate tuna.

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I've had mixed feelings about VS.NET 2005...There hasn't been anything horrible, but I have had to adjust more than I should. I still get errors reported that aren't errors (normally ones that I fixed a few builds back) but that don't cause problems. I strongly disagree with the high amount of error aspx files generate for non-build-errors (they should all be warnings). The new project model has a lot of annoyances (thankfully we have a beta project that's more to my liking).

As far as features, generics and anonymous functions are a big part of the daily code i use/write. Many of the new ASP.NET features are fluff and downright promote HORRIBLE coding practice (i wouldn't make a big deal about it, but every tutorial out there (especially those from the ASP.NET team) seem to make use of them).

In the end, I do think some aspect could have been better polished. My first week in the IDE shouldn't have been as painful, but now that I'm past it, things are running much more smoothly.

I should also note that I've been running EAPs of resharper, which only recently started seeing quasi-stable builds.

Personally, all I'm hoping for are more frequent and easy to access pathes/updates.

Karl

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I am so disappointed in VS2005. The "little things" wrong with it are just mind-boggling. Boy, I'll be so mad if I have to wait a year for the ".1" release that fixes all the bugs in this obvious beta product.

This (received today) is just one of the many examples of why ASP.NET 2.0 was totally not ready for prime time.

[http://www.kbalertz.com/Feedback\\_911717.aspx](http://www.kbalertz.com/Feedback_911717.aspx) The "workaround" they cite isn't a workaround AT ALL. They're actually saying... "don't use it."

It's handling of CSS classes sucks (no dropdown for style classes anywhere... everything has to be inputted manually from memory)... it's handling of globalization via resources sucks (Global\_Resource doesn't appear in any drop downs and neither does its keys).

It's the "little things" that matter. Not the big hammers and frameworks (like all the code-behind and project model "improvements" in ASP.NET

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2.0). It's the little things that make you scratch your head and make you waste hours of time trying to figure what YOU'RE doing wrong... when it's just that the tool you're using is in need of an IMMEDIATE patch cycle.