

## Re: Identifying Rows

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On Dec 29, 6:40 pm, "Mark Rae [MVP]" <[m...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:m...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

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Referring to Mark's reply, bound field is represented by DataTableCell  
(which does not contain any child controls) therefore in order to get the  
value you must use Text property  
row.Cells[index].Text

You are right of course, but I took the OP's statement of "so I put a  
<LABEL> in one of the cells" to mean that he'd created a TemplateColumn  
containing an <asp:Label> control – I have a feeling now that he didn't...

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Mark Rae  
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I'm pretty fresh to .NET (as u can probably tell :), and always liked  
the control ASP gave me (I don't like using wizards to bind data etc  
since i feel I lose flexibility and control)... I know .NET is pretty  
flexible, I just have to learn all the tricks. The way I'm loading my  
data is through a function I wrote that loads a DataTable into memory  
(global var on the page), then binds a DataView to the GridView (based  
on the users filters), my hopes are to avoid going to the server to  
reload the DataTable with each filter change. So what I was doing is  
when loading my DataTable, I updated the text of one of the columns  
with a "<LABEL>" — I see now it's not the right approach.

Thanks a lot for the responses and insight... looks like the  
DataKeyNames can satisfy my needs for sure, and I will try messing  
with actually adding controls to the cell.

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