

## Re: Question

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"ksayal" wrote:

- > *Our site is a newspaper site. Only subscribed users can view the top 10*
- > *articles. These top ten articles are shown on the index page with a little*
- > *description. When a user clicks the article, the page first looks for the*
- > *cookie if a cookie is set then it redirects to the story page*
- (supposedly).
- >
- > *My problem is it checks for the cookie, reads the cookie but when it has*
- to
- > *redirect, i don't know what server variable to use. If i use*
- > *("SCRIPT\_NAME"), it brings to the topnewss.aspx page whereas this page is*
- > *holding the stories postings. However i want it to redirect to*
- > */nr/exeres/GUID.htm page. Any ideas how i can i do that???*

There are many ways to do this. Server variables are not the clue to this problem (at all).

I suppose the user has to login first? To identify himself as a "subscribed user"? If so, why not go for the 100% ASP.NET way?

Put all the protected pages in a directory and deny anonymous access for that directory in your web.config (see MSDN for help, search for <deny users="?">). Next enable Forms authentication (see <authentication mode="Forms">), also in your web.config.

The cool part is that ASP.NET manages authentication now. If the user clicks on one of those articles, he is transferred to the page. If not, he is presented with a login-page (which you design) and is automatically transferred afterwards to the page he originally requested. As a user, I would think this is pretty neat!

Steven

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