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I believe your students will be best served by using the Deitel and Deitel textbooks and think you will be remiss if you fail to at least evaluate the works this father and son team are producing.

In fact, as of late and despite my awareness of the opportunity, I have been lazy about not meandering through the bookstores of any of the local universities that tout their CS programs.

So what has your problem been in this regard? Not want to be seen crossing town to Georgia Tech to do a little window shopping? ;-)

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wrote in message news:uSY00yRREHA.3300@tk2msftngpl3.phx.gbl...
> Thanks. I should add that I am not the beginner. It's for some of my
> students. I know C# and many other programming languages.
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message
> news:%23ITAzRRREHA.964@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...
> > Learning OOP languages can be very challenging. I suggest you start
> > with Deitel & Deitel textbooks [1] to learn about OOP and then apply
> > language constructs to Web Forms (ASP.NET) or Windows Forms
> > (Windows applications) derived from the .NET Framework also from
> > Deitel & Deitel. These are university level textbooks that can be
> > assessed at Barnes & Noble.
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> > I also recommend you go right to the MCAD certification training  
> > guides as they cover each element of the .NET Framework used  
> > to develop web or windows development. Our Milwaukee Visual  
> > Studio Developers Group did an assessment of such books and  
> > without question determined the QUE training guides to be  
> > outstanding [2].  
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> > Finally, there are several authors who are top notch one of them  
> > being Jesse Liberty but as a rule I have found these experts rarely  
> > cover the scope of OOP and the language constructs that neophytes  
> > need to know about. The one exception IMO is the book by Andrew  
> > Troelsen "C# and the .NET Platform" [3] which for some reason seems  
> > to meld the level of expertise with what I feel is outstanding  
> > readability.  
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> > I doubt anyone will argue that the best reference guides are from  
> > someone other than WROX and O'Reilly. I favor WROX [4] as  
> > I've found layout and page presentation more readable than O'Reilly  
> > titles [5] with occassional variance the exception to the rule as  
both  
> > publishers are technically superior. For example, WROX "C# Class  
> > Design" is as near to a must have as any.  
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> > I have no recommendation on ADO.NET as of yet as I've yet to  
> > finalize a determination myself. While there is some good stuff out  
> > there I have yet to find any ADO title as outstanding as those I  
> > have cited.  
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> > [1] <http://www.deitel.com/>  
> > [2] <http://www.quepublishing.com/>  
> > [3] <http://www.apress.com/author/authorDisplay.html?aID=53>  
> > [4] <http://www.wrox.com/>  
> > [5] <http://www.oreilly.com/>  
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> > "Michael A. Covington"  
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> > wrote in message news:ekndJ6EREHA.3348@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl...  
> > > What books would you recommend for students who want to learn  
> > programming in  
> > > C# and have not previously mastered a related language (Java, C++,  
> > Pascal,  
> > > etc.)?  
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> > > Michael A. Covington - Artificial Intelligence Ctr - University of  
> > Georgia  
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> > > "In the core C# language it is simply not possible to have an  
> > uninitialized  
> > > variable, a 'dangling' pointer, or an expression that indexes an  
array  
> > > beyond its bounds. Whole categories of bugs that routinely plague

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> > and C++

> > > programs are thus eliminated." - A. Hejlsberg, The C# Programming

> > Language

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