

Re: VB.net for schools

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John,

There is are advantage to VBNet in my opinion above the classic OO languages.

It is does not look as build on theories however on practise. When you are using VBNet you can make of course something wrong as you can do with almost every program language.

However being busy with it you automaticly goes to OOP because it is usefull and saves you time. Something what is in my opinion the same for C# by the way before this is misunderstood.

You are not busy making a lot of classes. Most are already there, and going on in the route is very easy. As well is inheriting from the most standard Net classes very easy to do, and therefore you are not building from scratch everytime. And than as last the documentation is overwhelming.

Just a little addition trying to make what I think more clear

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> *"Cor Ligthert" wrote:*

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>> *John,*

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>> *Because it is possible to use in VBNet OOP (while all Net classes are*

>> *OOP)*

>> *has it much more consistency and is in my opinion easier to learn.*

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>> *When you know the tricks of OOP you can make everything in that way and*

>> *in*

>> *that style what makes it in my opinion more portable.*

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>> *VB classic is in my opinion more a language from what was a connection
>> between the programmer and the enduser, what went with every version
>> more
>> and more going to the programmer.*
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>> *VNNet has in my opinion brokken with that, although I understand that
>> Microsoft trys to bring parts from it in the new version again more back
>> to
>> that old in between situation. You understand it, I find that a pity.*
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>> *Just my thought,*
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>> *Cor*
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>> *"john andrew" <johnandrew@discussions.microsoft.com>*
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>> > --
>> > *hello*
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>> > *I used to teach VB6 at schools, adult colleges a few years ago. Having
>> > seen
>> > a bit of VB.net I am a little shocked to say the least. The idea of
>> > teaching
>> > VB.net to beginners is way harder than VB6 and VB6 was a challenge.
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>> > The whole look and feel is more difficult...OK for me but I would go
>> > broke
>> > as a teacher if I had to teach VB.net. As the most popular programming
>> > language around why has MS made something easy to do now more
>> > complicated
>> > in
>> > the name of progress? This looks like a university research project
>> > being
>> > let
>> > out too early. Trying to please everyone in other languages has made VB
>> > less
>> > accessable to the public and with faster computers around I cant see
>> > how
>> > this
>> > is better.
>> > I tried finding help for a simple textbox on the help index and it was
>> > absurdly difficult.*
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>> > *I am speaking from an education pont of view as I myself can pick this
>> > up.*
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- > *I can handle VB.net personally because of my background. From a business*
- > *perspective VB.net is a hard sell and you can argue that point. The*
- > *problem*
- > *with VB.net is that people want to do jobs...no one cares about OO. C++*
- > *and*
- > *Java are OO.....why arent they as popular as VB. I expect to see a*
- > *streamlining of VB.net in future editions.The university I went to*
- > *...which*
- > *is very credible didnt like VB.net and still teach vb6. Also why is there*
- > *busy VB6 msgboards....because people like to do tasks not OO. Another*
- > *school*
- > *I was at today told me they didnt like VB.net either.*
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- > *Reading about the .net ambition as I understand was that MS was scared of*
- > *Linux or any other competing OS. I like Linux but it is so user-unfriendly*
- > *it*
- > *isnt worth losing sleep over and I cant see the world buying Mac's either.*
- > *I*
- > *was a teacher and I reckon I have a good grasp of peoles tastes in OS. MS*
- > *tried to please everyone with portable code (like Java.....and that didnt*
- > *really take off) and incorporate every language. Why so desperate a move?*
- > *too*
- > *many young programmers need to prove themselves too quickly?OO has been*
- > *around a while.*
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- > *As for someone who used to teach VB6 and found students struggled*
- > *enough....VB.net is something I cant take seriously as a business*
- > *proposition*
- > *and the online help is really Awful, I just want a basic example of how to*
- > *use some code not a library of OO theory . No way could I feel confident*
- > *in*
- > *pointing a student to use it and understand it.*
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- > *I will get into it and do VB.net over time and I am sure I will enjoy it.*
- > *Sorry if I offended anyone as this is such a great resource with a load of*
- > *great replies.*