

Re: Reading in a textfile?

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On Mar 1, 12:48 pm, "Ron" <pts4...@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Hello everyone,

I've created a functioning ATM program, a bank machine.

Now I want to implement usernames and Pins into it. So I have a text file with this info.

BILL, 1111

TOM, 2222

CHRIS, 3333

How do I go about reading those values from a text file into arrays and then access those arrays?

Look up filestream.

Also, I would highly suggest using a Xml file instead of just a text file.

Something like:

```
<Accounts>
<Users>
<Bill pin="1111" />
<Tom pin="2222" />
<Chris pin="3333" />
</User>
</Accounts>
```

Then use something like this to validate users

Imports System.Xml assumed

```
private function IsValid(userName as string, userPin as string)
Dim doc as XmlDocument
doc.Load("MyXmlFilePath.Xml")
```

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```
Dim node as XmlNode = doc.GetElementsByTagName(userName)(0)
if node.Attributes("pin").Value = userPin then
return True
else
return false
end if
end function
```

Thanks,

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