

## Re: question about autogrowth and shrinkfile

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geekyguy (geeky@xxxxxxx) writes:

But say that the database had been running like that for a fortnight.

It was longer than that...several months...

Oops! Assuming that you also left out the full backup, you are lucky that something bad didn't happen in that period.

So if I become more proactive and really track the growth, as well as maintain regular backups of the transaction log (hourly?), if it's only growing at say 200 meg/day max, I could fix it's size at 1 gig and not worry about it? I will probably leave auto-grow on just to be safe, but I want to make sure I understand the sizing issues.

1 GB sounds right.

Yes, leave auto-grow on. Even if auto-grow should ideally not happen when the system is up, it's a lot better than the system grinding to a total standstill because of a full file.

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