

XSLT <xsl:for-each> Element

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The <xsl:for-each> element allows you to do looping in XSLT.

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The XSL <xsl:for-each> element can be used to select every XML element of a specified node-set:

Example

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="1.0"
xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform">

<xsl:template match="/">
  <html>
  <body>
  <h2>My CD Collection</h2>
  <table border="1">
    <tr bgcolor="#9acd32">
      <th>Title</th>
      <th>Artist</th>
    </tr>
    <xsl:for-each select="catalog/cd">
      <tr>
        <td><xsl:value-of select="title"/></td>
        <td><xsl:value-of select="artist"/></td>
      </tr>
```

```
</xsl:template>
```

```
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

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Note: The value of the **select** attribute is an XPath expression. An XPath expression works like navigating a file system; where a forward slash (/) selects subdirectories.

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Filtering the Output

We can also filter the output from the XML file by adding a criterion to the select attribute in the `<xsl:for-each>` element.

```
<xsl:for-each select="catalog/cd[artist='Bob Dylan']">
```

Legal filter operators are:

- = (equal)
- != (not equal)
- < less than
- > greater than

Take a look at the adjusted XSL style sheet:

```
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      <tr>
        <td><xsl:value-of select="title"/></td>
        <td><xsl:value-of select="artist"/></td>
      </tr>
    </xsl:for-each>
  </table>
  </body>
  </html>
</xsl:template>

</xsl:stylesheet>
```

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