

PiGE, Lab11: WPF Data Binding

The goal of this task is to create a simple graphical application for displaying information about fantasy novels from the [Harry Potter](#) series. Sample data is retrieved from the public API [PotterDB](#) and includes details about the novels in the series as well as their individual chapters.

Overview of the Starter Code

The provided solution consists of two projects:

- MiNIPotter a WPF Application and
- Potter.API a Class Library project.

Additionally, the folder containing the instructions includes the files `potter.png` and `HarryPotter-Regular.ttf`. References to these resources can be found in the [Scoring](#) section.

Potter.API

The library provides the `IBooksRepository` interface along with an implementation in the form of the `BooksRepository` class:

```
public interface IBooksRepository
{
    Task<IEnumerable<Book>> GetBooksAsync(CancellationToken cancellationToken = default);
}
```

It also defines two simple models that will be used by the graphical part of the application:

```
public sealed record Book(
    Guid Id,
    string Author,
    string Cover,           // link to the book cover image
    string Dedication,      // author's dedication
    int Pages,              // number of pages
    DateTime ReleaseDate,   // release date
    string Summary,         // short description
    string Title,
    ICollection<Chapter> Chapters // collection of chapters
);

public sealed record Chapter(
    Guid Id,
    string Summary,         // short description
    string Title,
    double Rating           // reader rating
);
```

MiNIPotter

The project contains two key elements that should be used when designing the graphical interface:

- An instance of the `BookViewModel` class should serve as the `DataContext` for the main application window.
- After calling the `LoadBooksAsync` method, its internal `Books` collection will contain data about the novels and chapters.
- The `Styles/Colors/Colors.xaml` file includes `SolidColorBrush` and `Color` resources.
- References to these resources can be found in the [Scoring](#) section.

Note:

- The entire task should be completed using `.xaml` files.
- The only exceptions are the implementation of necessary converters and setting the `DataContext` attribute for the main application window.

Scoring

Main Window Parameters (0.5pts)


- Size: Default is 1200×800 , minimum is 1000×600 ;
- Title: MiNIPotter Library;
- Background: `PrimaryBackgroundBrush`;
- Foreground: `PrimaryForegroundBrush`;
- Icon: `potter.jpg`;

Main Window Layout

Banner (0.5pts)

- Font: `HarryPotter-Regular.ttf`;
- Text: Size 40, bold, and centered;
- Color: `PrimaryForegroundBrush`;

Loading button (0.5pts)

- Background: `SecondaryBackgroundBrush`;
- Foreground: `SecondaryForegroundBrush`;
- Text: Includes  character, bold, size 16;
- Clicking the button causes the data to reload;

Book List (3pts)

- Width: Fixed at 400px;
- Background: `SecondaryBackgroundBrush`;
- Scrollbars:
 - Vertical scrollbar is always visible;
 - Horizontal scrollbar is never visible;
- List Item:
 - Image: Fixed width of 100px, height maintains original aspect ratio;
 - Title: The text wraps, is bolded and has font size 18;
 - Author: Font size 10;
 - Page count & release date:
 - * Always positioned at the bottom of the list tile, font size 12;
 - * Release date has a following format: `d MMMM yyyy`;

Book Details (1.5pts)

- Layout: Divided into two equal sections;
- Left Column:
 - A vertical scrollbar appears if the window height is too small (text must not be cut off);
 - Author's dedication: Font size 14, italic, and `DemiBold`;
 - Short description: Text wraps, font size 14, italic;
 - Average rating: The number of full stars corresponds to `(int)Math.Clamp(Rating, 0, 10)`, where `Rating` is the arithmetic mean of the individual chapter ratings.

- Right Column:
 - Image: Fills the entire available space;

Chapter List (2pts):

- Background: `SecondaryBackgroundBrush`;
- List Header: `PrimaryForegroundBrush`, font size 20, bold;
- List Item:
 - Header: Displays the chapter title, font size 14, **Demibold**;
 - Expandable/Collapsible: Chapters can be expanded or collapsed. Initially, all items are collapsed;
 - Short Description: Text wraps, font size 12, italic;
 - Rating:
 - * Symbol: ★ (empty star ☆ can be found at the bottom of the linked page);
 - * Number of full stars: Determined similarly to the method described in [Book Details](#);
 - * Stars color calculation:
 - `red = (byte)((1 - (Rating / 10)) * 192);`
 - `green = (byte)((Rating / 10) * 192);`
 - `blue = 0;`

Hints:

- [Packaging Fonts with Applications](#);
- [ListBox Control](#);
- [Expander Control](#);
- [ScrollViewer Control](#)
- [Image Control](#);
- [Data conversion](#)
- [Merged resource dictionaries](#)