

In-class Lab 05

ASP.NET Core MVC

1 Beginning the lab

1. Create a new project. The target framework should be .NET Core 2.0. Select File ► New ► Project ► Visual C# ► Web. Select ASP.NET Core Web Application. Name the application Razor and save it in your /aspnetcore/projects directory. See figure 1. Click OK.

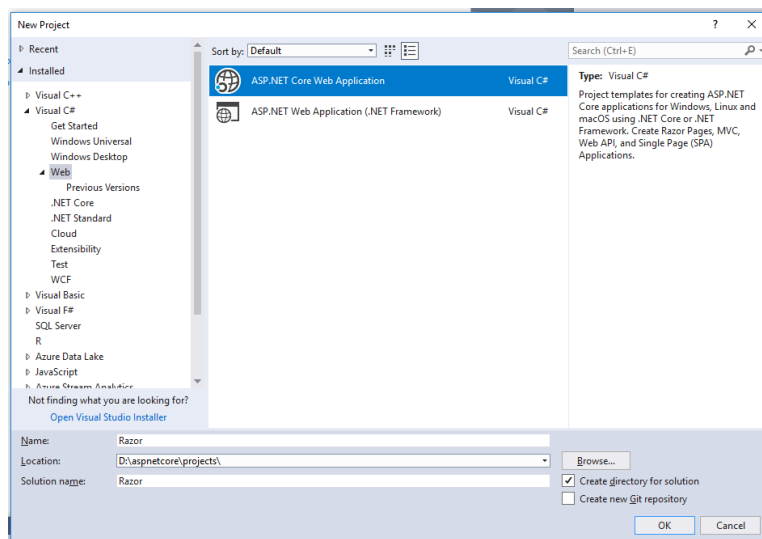


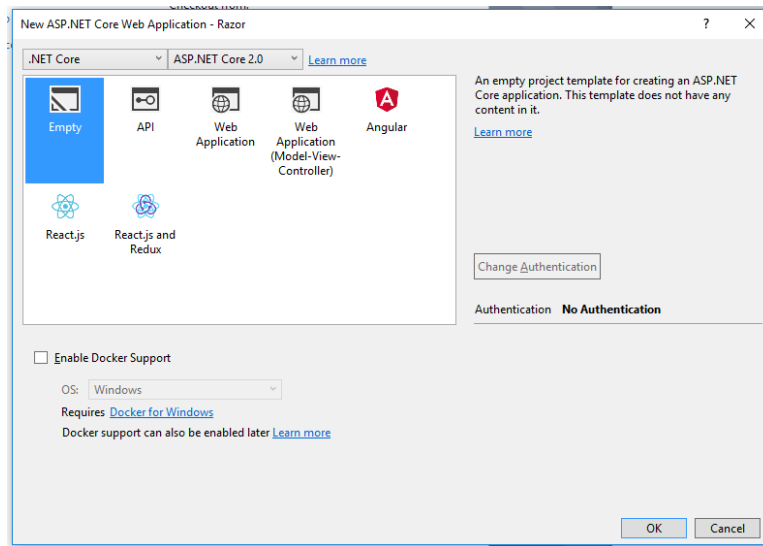
Figure 1: Create a new ASP.NET Core project named Razor

2. Select the Empty template with **No Authentication**. See figure 2. Click OK.
3. Edit the Startup.cs file as shown in listing 1.

Listing 1: Editing class Startup.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Builder;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Hosting;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Http;
using Microsoft.Extensions.DependencyInjection;

namespace Razor
{
```

Figure 2: Select the **empty** template

```

public class Startup
{
    public void ConfigureServices(IServiceCollection services)
    {
        services.AddMvc();
    }

    public void Configure(IApplicationBuilder app, IHostingEnvironment env)
    {
        if (env.IsDevelopment())
        {
            app.UseDeveloperExceptionPage();
        }

        app.UseMvcWithDefaultRoute();
    }
}

```

4. Add a Models folder to the project. Right click the Razor Project folder and select Add ► New Folder. See figure 3.
5. Name the new folder Models. See figure 4.
6. Create a new class in Models by right clicking the folder and selecting Add ► Class. See figure 5.
7. Select Class, name the class Product.cs, and click Add. See figure 6.
8. Edit the Product class file as shown in listing 2.

Listing 2: Class Product

```

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;

```

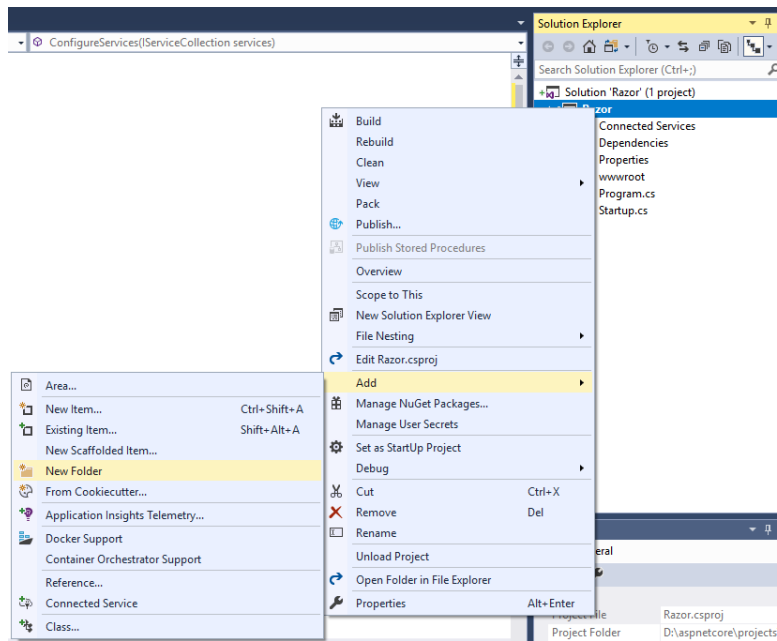


Figure 3: Adding the Models folder

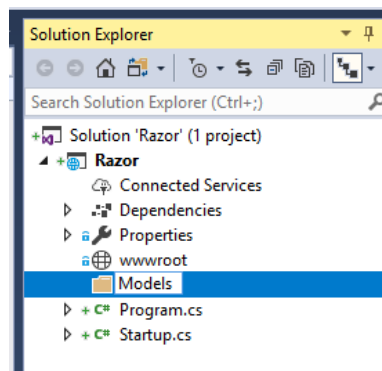


Figure 4: Naming the the folder Models

```

using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace Razor.Models
{
    public class Product
    {
        public int ProductID { get; set; }
        public string Name { get; set; }
        public string Description { get; set; }
        public decimal Price { get; set; }
        public string Category { set; get; }
    }
}

```

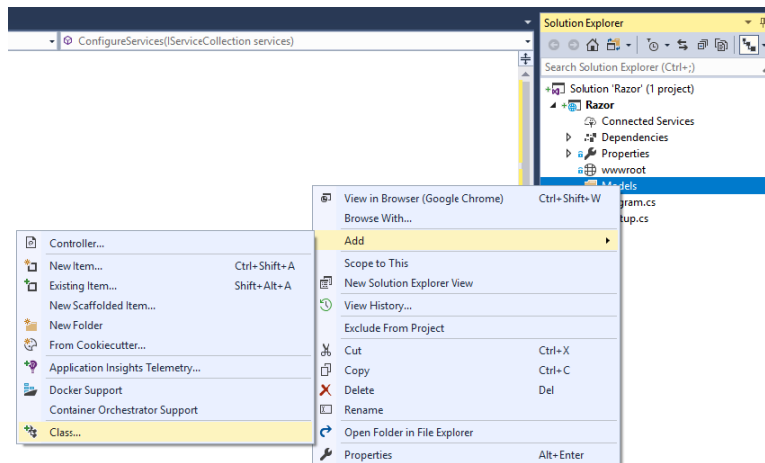


Figure 5: Adding a new class file to Models

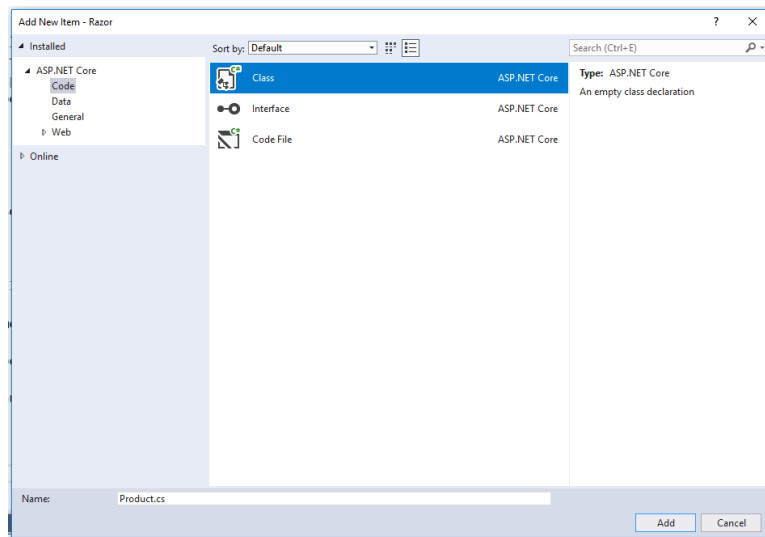


Figure 6: Adding class Product to Models

```
}

```

9. Add a Controllers folder to the project. Right click the Razor Project folder and select Add ► New Folder. Name the new folder Controllers. See figure 7.
10. Create a new class in Controllers by right clicking the folder and selecting Add ► Controller. To add the scaffolding select Controller ► MVC Controller - Empty ► Add. See figure 8. Name the controller HomeController and click Add.
11. Edit the HomeController class file as shown in listing 3.

Listing 3: Editing the HomeController

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
```

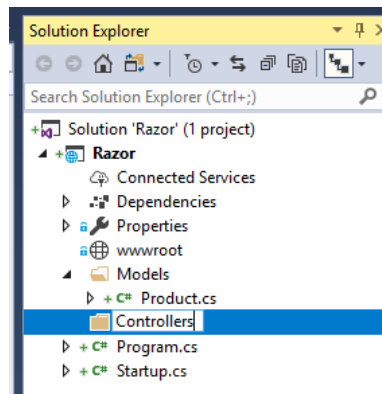


Figure 7: Adding a Controllers folder

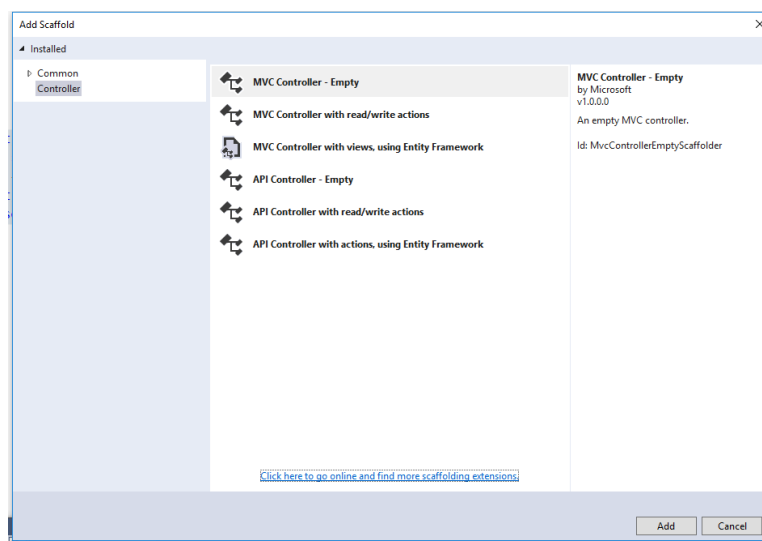


Figure 8: Adding a controller

```

using System.Threading.Tasks;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;
    using Razor.Models;

namespace Razor.Controllers
{
    public class HomeController : Controller
    {
        public IActionResult Index()
        {
            Product myProduct = new Product
            {
                ProductID = 1,
                Name = "Kayak",
                Description = "A_boat_for_one_person",
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

        Category = "Watersports",
        Price = 275M
    };
    return View(myProduct);
}
}

```

12. In your Razor project, create a new folder named `Views`. *Within* that folder create a subfolder named `Home`. See figure 9.

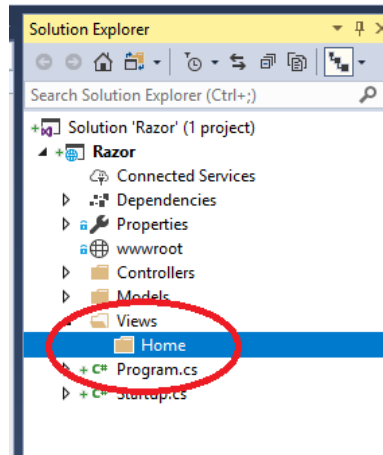


Figure 9: Creating `/Views/Home/`

13. In `Views/Home`, create a view. Right click on `Home` and select `Add ► View`. Name the view `Index` and deselect the **Use a layout page**. See figure 10.

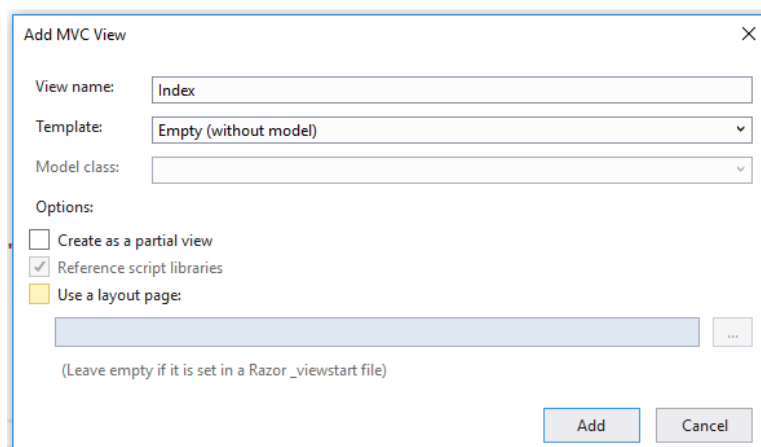


Figure 10: Adding a view named `Index`

14. Edit the `Index.cshtml` file as shown in listing 4.

Listing 4: Editing the Index view

```
@{
    Layout = null;
}

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>
<head>
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
    <title>Index</title>
</head>
<body>
    <h1>Content will go here</h1>
</body>
</html>
```

15. Start your application without debugging. Correct your errors, if any.

2 Working with the Model object

16. Edit `Index.cshtml` as in listing 5. Start without debugging. After you examine the result, close the browser window.

Listing 5: Adding a model to a view

```
@model Razor.Models.Product

@{
    Layout = null;
}

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>
<head>
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
    <title>Index</title>
</head>
<body>
    <h1>Content will go here</h1>
    @Model.Name
</body>
</html>
```

17. In order to avoid using the fully qualified object name to access object properties, add a View Imports file. Right click the views folder and select New ► New Item. Select Web ► Razor View Imports template. Name the file `_ViewImports.cshtml` — see figure 11. Click Add.
18. Add `@using Razor.Models` to the `_ViewImports.cshtml` file. Edit the `Index.cshtml` View file by changing the top line to `@model Product`. Start without debugging and examine the result.

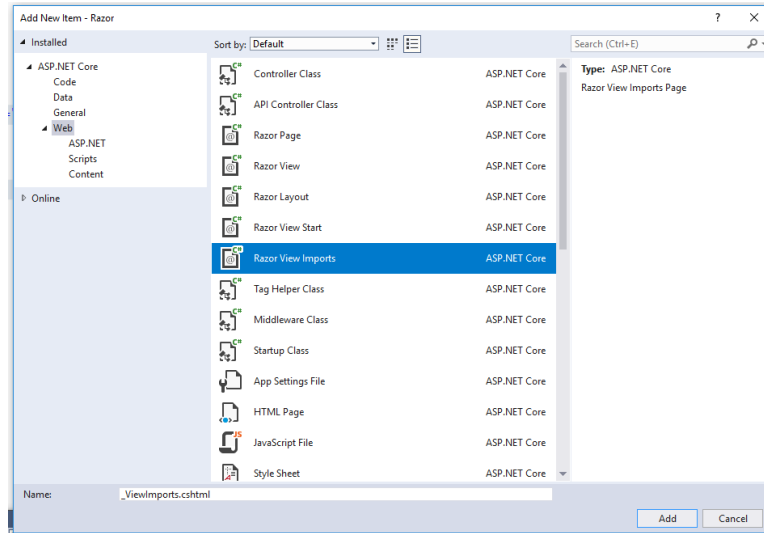


Figure 11: Adding _ViewImports.cshhtml

19. To add a View Layout file, first create a /Views/Shared/ folder by right clicking the Views folder and selecting Add ► New Folder. Name the folder Shared. See figure ??.

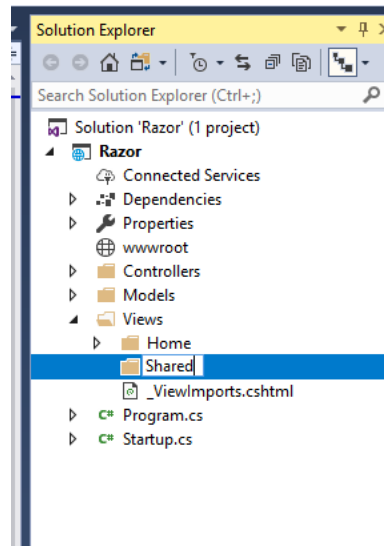


Figure 12: Creating the /Views/Shared/ folder

20. Add a _BasicLayout.cshhtml file to the /Views/Shared/ folder by right clicking the Shared folder and selecting Add ► New Item. Select Web ► Razor Layout and name the file _BasicLayout.cshhtml. See figure 13.
21. Edit the contents of _BasicLayout.cshhtml so that it looks like listing 6.

Listing 6: Contents of _BasicLayout.cshhtml

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
```

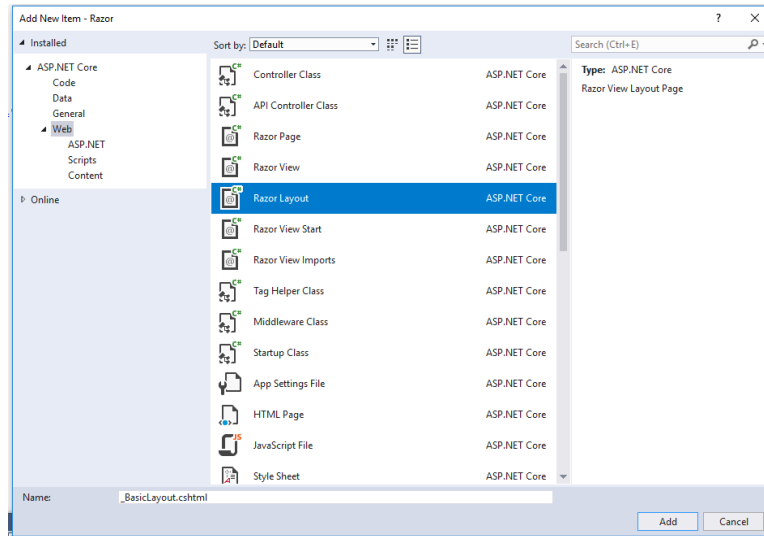



Figure 13: Adding _BasicLayout.cshtml

```

<head>
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
  <title>@ViewBag.Title</title>
  <style>
    #mainDiv {
      padding: 20px;
      border: solid medium black;
      font-size: 20pt
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Product Information</h1>
  <div id="mainDiv">
    @RenderBody()
  </div>
</body>
</html>

```

22. Edit the contents of `Index.cshtml` so that it matches listing 7. Start without debugging and examine the result. Close the browser window.

Listing 7: Editing `Index.cshtml`

```

@model Product

@{
    Layout = "_BasicLayout";
    ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
}

```

```
Product Name: @Model.Name
```

23. To add a `_ViewStart.cshtml` file, right click the Views folder and select Add ► New Item. Select Web ► Razor View Start and name the file `_ViewStart.cshtml`. Name the file `_ViewStart.cshtml`. Click Add. See figure 14.

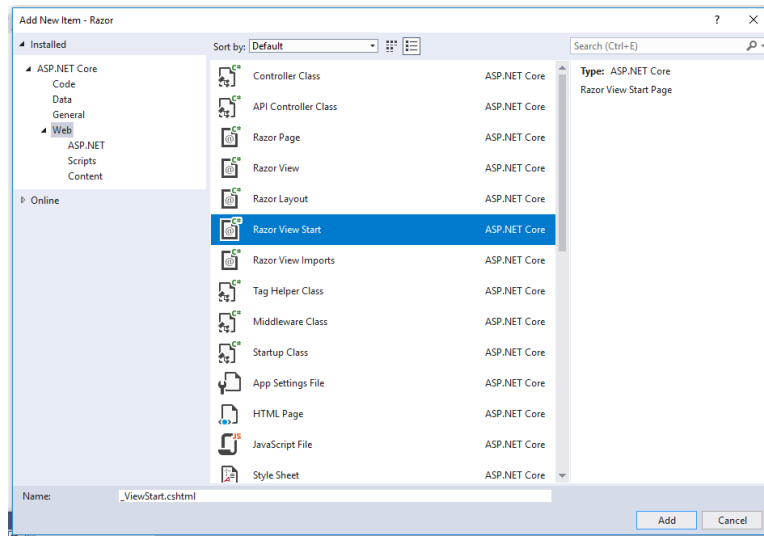


Figure 14: The `_ViewStart.cshtml` file

24. Edit the `_ViewStart.cshtml` file as shown in listing 8. Then, remove the line `Layout = "_BasicLayout";` from `Index.cshtml`. Start without debugging. When you are finished, close the browser window.

Listing 8: Editing the `_ViewStart.cshtml` file

```
@{
    Layout = "_BasicLayout";
}
```

3 Using Razor expressions

25. Edit `Index.cshtml` to match listing 9. Start without debugging and examine the result.

Listing 9: Editing `Index.cshtml`

```
@model Product

@{
    ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
}

<p>
    Product Name: @Model.Name
</p>
<p>
```

```

    Product Price: @($"{Model.Price}")
</p>

```

26. Add this line of code to HomeCotroller.cs: `cd ViewBag.StockLevel = 2;` just above the `return View(myProduct);` statement.
27. Add this line of code to Index.cshtml: `<p>Stock Level: @ViewBag.StockLevel</p>` as the last line of the file. Start without debugging and exsmine the result.
28. Edit Index.cshtml as shown in listing 10. Start without debugging and look View Page Source. What do you see? Close the browset window.

Listing 10: Adding attributes

```

@model Product

@{
    ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
}

<div data-productid="@Model.ProductID" data-stocklevel="@ViewBag.StockLevel">
    <p>Product Name: @Model.Name</p>
    <p>Product Price: @($"{Model.Price:C2}")</p>
    <p>Stock Level: @ViewBag.StockLevel</p>
</div>

```

29. To illustrate how to use switch statements with Razor, edit Index.cshtml as shown in listing 11. Start without debugging and view the result.

Listing 11: Using a switch statement with Razor

```

@model Product

@{
    ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
}

<div data-productid="@Model.ProductID" data-stocklevel="@ViewBag.StockLevel">
    <p>Product Name: @Model.Name</p>
    <p>Product Price: @($"{Model.Price:C2}")</p>
    <p>Stock Level:
        @switch (ViewBag.StockLevel)
        {
            case 0:
                @:Out of stock
                break;
            case 1:
            case 2:
            case 3:
                <b>Low Stock: (@ViewBag.StockLevel)</b>
                break;
            default:
                @: @ViewBag.StockLevel in stock
                break;
        }
    </p>
</div>

```

```

    }
  </p>
</div>

```

30. To illustrate how to use if-else statements with Razor, edit `Index.cshtml` as shown in listing 12. Start without debugging and view the result.

Listing 12: Using a if-else statement with Razor

```

@model Product

@{
    ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
}

<div data-productid="@Model.ProductID" data-stocklevel="@ViewBag.StockLevel">
    <p>Product Name: @Model.Name</p>
    <p>Product Price: @($"{Model.Price:C2}")</p>
    <p>Stock Level:
        @if (ViewBag.StockLevel == 0)
        {
            @:Out of stock
        }
        else if (ViewBag.StockLevel > 0 && ViewBag.StockLevel <= 3)
        {
            <b> Low Stock: (@ViewBag.StockLevel) </b>
        }
        else
        {
            @: @ViewBag.StockLevel in stock
        }
    </p>
</div>

```

31. To use an enumerating array with Razor, first edit `HomeController.cs` as shown in listing 13.

Listing 13: Edit to HomeController.cs

```

using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;
using Razor.Models;

namespace Razor.Controllers
{
    public class HomeController : Controller
    {
        public IActionResult Index()
        {
            Product[] array = {

```

```

        new Product {Name = "Kayak", Price = 275M},
        new Product {Name = "Lifejacket", Price = 48.95M},
        new Product {Name = "Soccer_ball", Price = 19.50M},
        new Product {Name = "Corner_flag", Price = 34.95M}
    };
    return View(array);
}
}
}

```

32. Then, edit `Index.cshtml` as shown in listing ???. Start without debugging and examine the result.

Listing 14: Final edit to `Index.cshtml`

```

@model Product[]

@{
    ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
}

<table>
    <thead>
        <tr><th>Name</th><th>Price</th></tr>
    </thead>
    <tbody>
        @foreach (Product p in Model)
        {
            <tr>
                <td>@p.Name</td>
                <td>@($"{p.Price:C2}")</td>
            </tr>
        }
    </tbody>
</table>

```