

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.

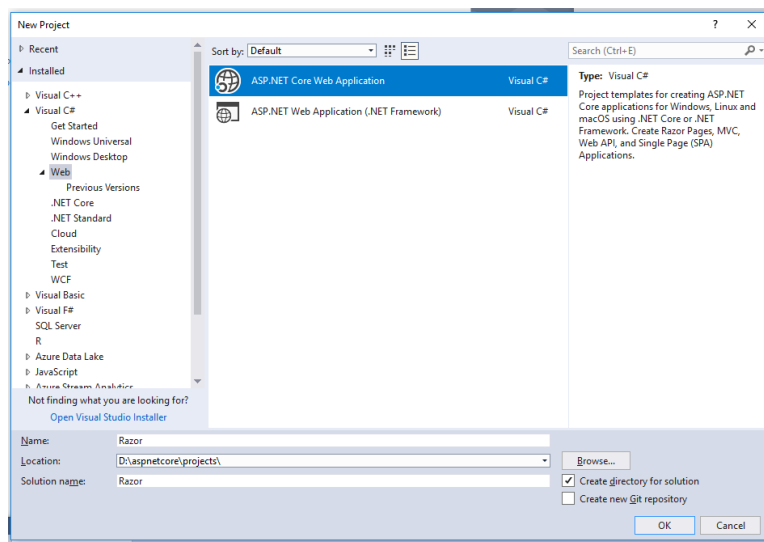


Figure 1: Create a new ASP.NET Core project named Razor

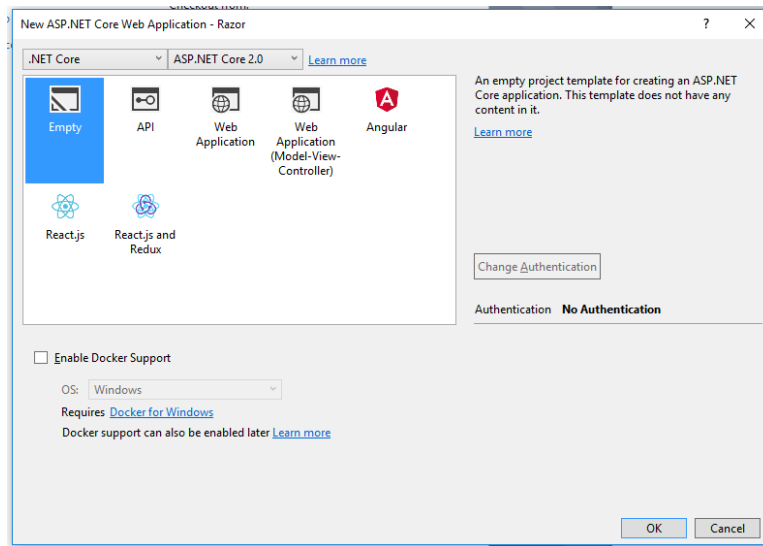
2. Select the Empty template with **No Authentication**. See figure 2. Click OK.
3. Edit the Startup.cs file as shown in listing 1.

Listing 1: Editing class Startup.cs

```

1 using System;
2 using System.Collections.Generic;
3 using System.Linq;
4 using System.Threading.Tasks;
5 using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Builder;
6 using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Hosting;
7 using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Http;
8 using Microsoft.Extensions.DependencyInjection;
9
10 namespace Razor
11 {
12     public class Startup
13     {
14         public void ConfigureServices(IServiceCollection services)
15         {
16             services.AddMvc();
17         }
18     }
19 }

```

Figure 2: Select the **empty** template

```

17     }
18     public void Configure(IApplicationBuilder app, IHostingEnvironment env)
19     {
20         if (env.IsDevelopment())
21         {
22             app.UseDeveloperExceptionPage();
23         }
24         app.UseMvcWithDefaultRoute();
25     }
26 }
27 }

```

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

```

1 using System;
2 using System.Collections.Generic;
3 using System.Linq;
4 using System.Threading.Tasks;
5
6 namespace Razor.Models
7 {
8     public class Product
9     {
10         public int ProductID { get; set; }
11         public string Name { get; set; }
12         public string Description { get; set; }
13         public decimal Price { get; set; }
14         public string Category { set; get; }
15     }

```

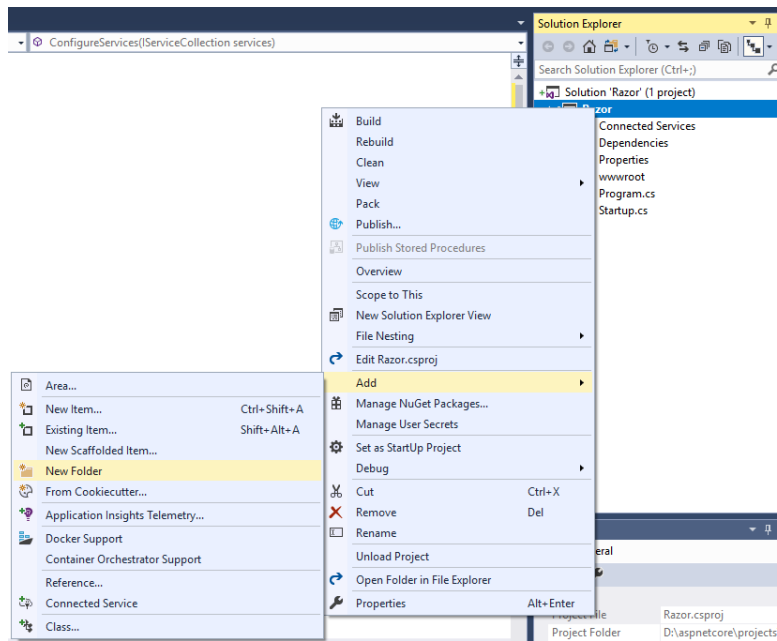


Figure 3: Adding the Models folder

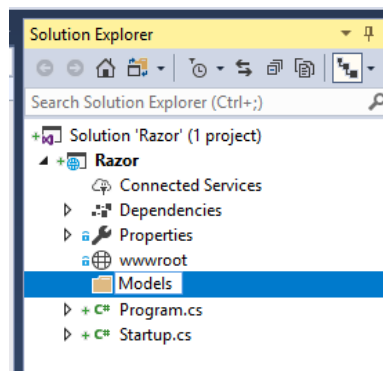


Figure 4: Naming the the folder Models

16 }

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

```

1 using System;
2 using System.Collections.Generic;
3 using System.Linq;

```

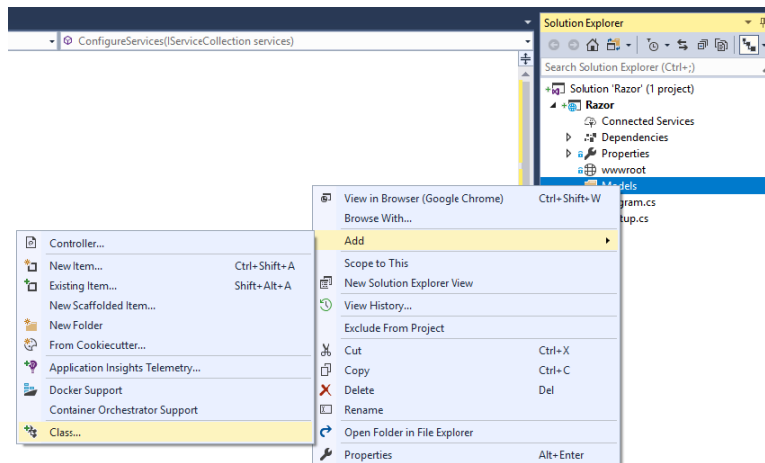


Figure 5: Adding a new class file to Models

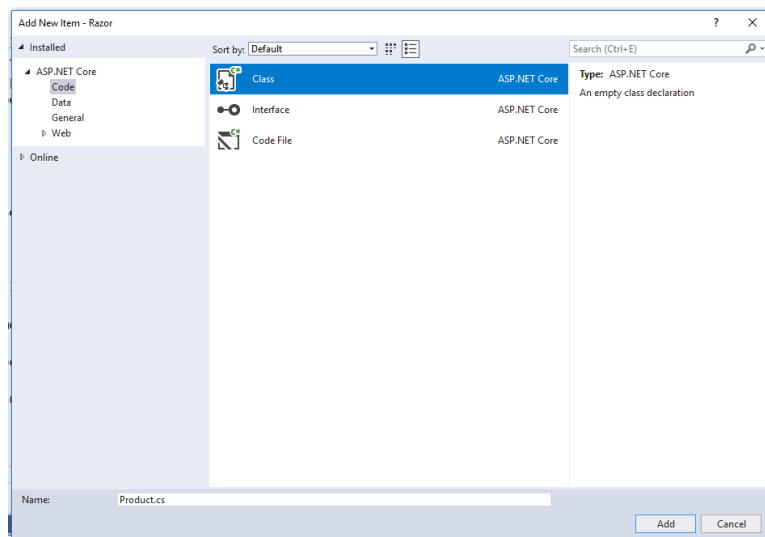


Figure 6: Adding class Product to Models

```

4  using System.Threading.Tasks;
5  using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;
6      using Razor.Models;
7
8  namespace Razor.Controllers
9  {
10     public class HomeController : Controller
11     {
12         public IActionResult Index()
13         {
14             Product myProduct = new Product
15             {
16                 ProductID = 1,
17                 Name = "Kayak",
18                 Description = "A_boat_for_one_person",
19                 Category = "Watersports",
20                 Price = 275M
21             };

```

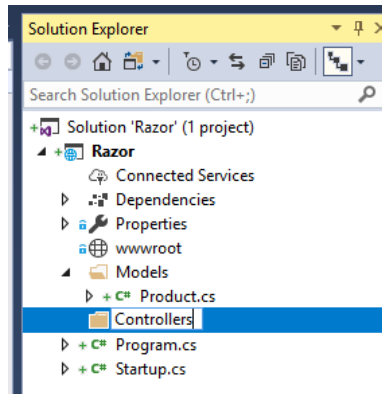


Figure 7: Adding a Controllers folder

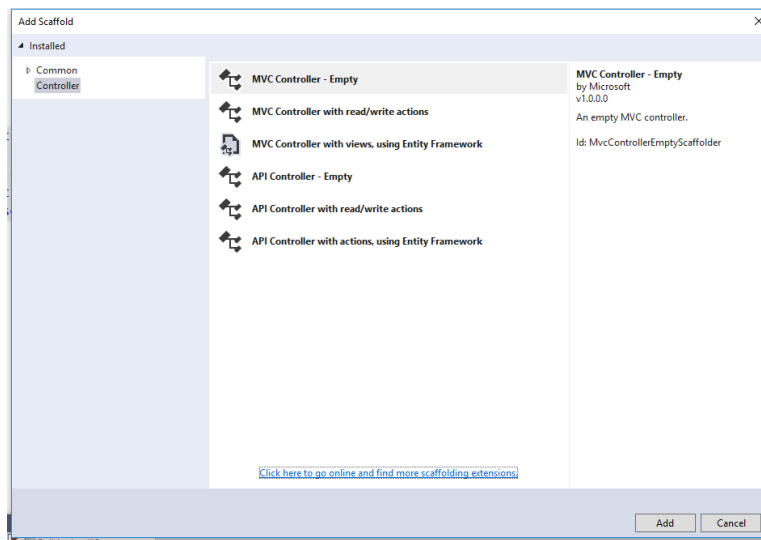


Figure 8: Adding a controller

```

22         return View(myProduct);
23     }
24 }

```

12. In your Razor project, create a new folder named *Views*. *Within* that folder create a subfolder named *Home*. See figure 9.
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.
14. Edit the *Index.cshtml* file as shown in listing 4.

Listing 4: Editing the Index view

```

1 @{
2     Layout = null;

```

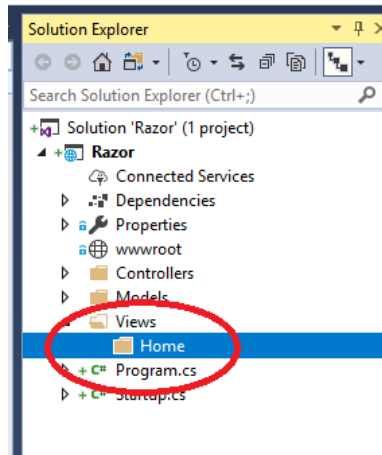


Figure 9: Creating /Views/Home/

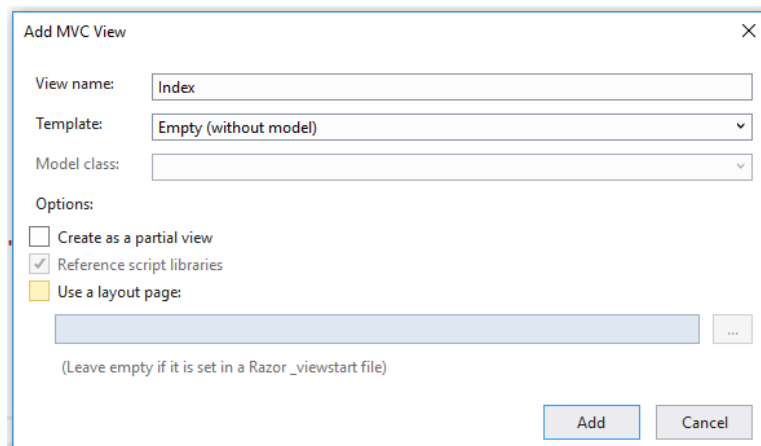


Figure 10: Adding a view named Index

```

3  }
4
5  <!DOCTYPE html>
6
7  <html>
8  <head>
9      <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
10     <title>Index</title>
11 </head>
12 <body>
13     <h1>Content will go here</h1>
14 </body>
15 </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

```

1  @model Razor.Models.Product
2  @{
3      Layout = null;
4  }
5
6  <!DOCTYPE html>
7
8  <html>
9  <head>
10     <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
11     <title>Index</title>
12 </head>
13 <body>
14     <h1>Content will go here</h1>
15     @Model.Name
16 </body>
17 </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.

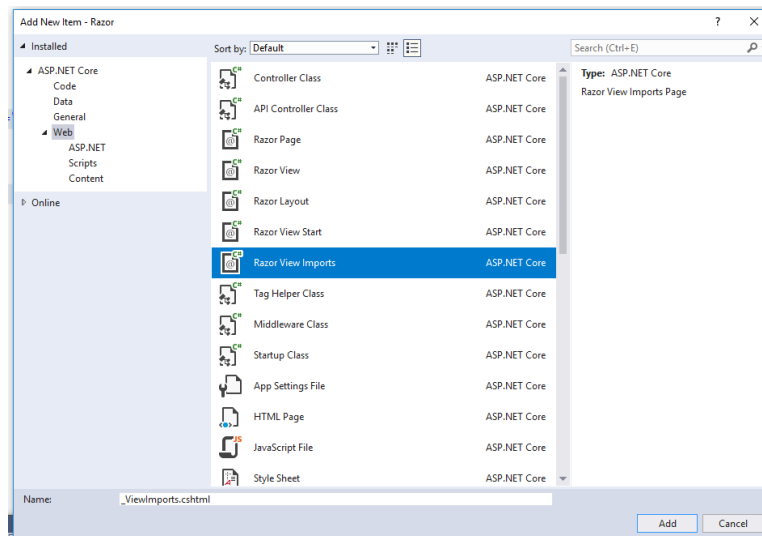


Figure 11: Adding `_ViewImports.cshtml`

18. Add `@using Razor.Models` to the `_ViewImports.cshtml` file. Edit the `Index.cshtml` View file by changing the top line to `@model Product` Stat without debugging and examine the result.
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 ??.
20. Add a `_BasicLayout.cshtml` 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.cshtml`. See figure 13.

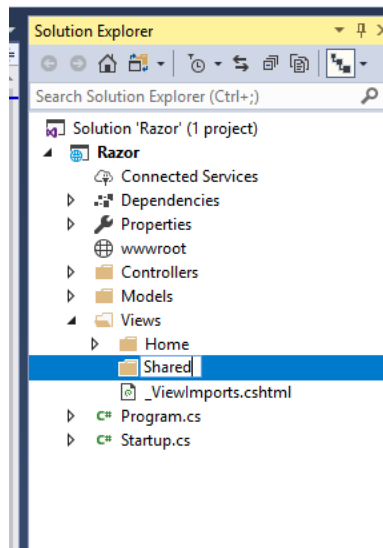


Figure 12: Creating the /Views/Shared/ folder

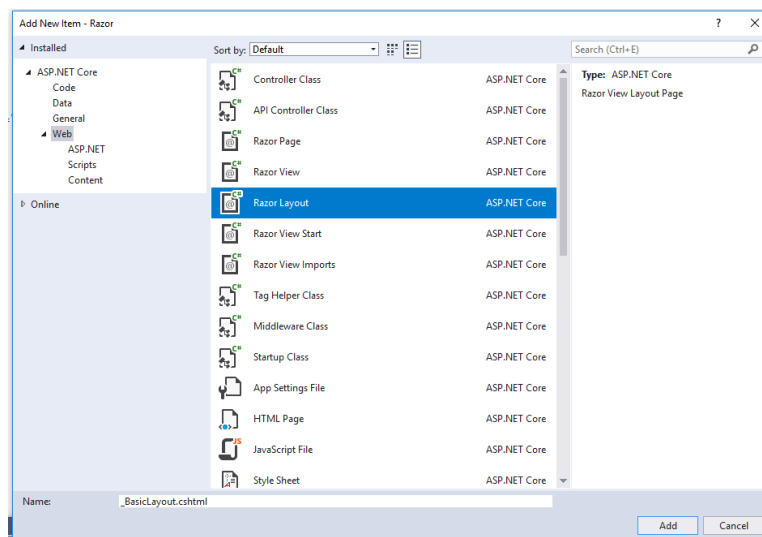


Figure 13: Adding _BasicLayout.cshtml

21. Edit the contents of `_BasicLayout.cshtml` so that it looks like listing 6.

Listing 6: Contents of `_BasicLayout.cshtml`

```

1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html>
3 <head>
4   <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
5   <title>@ViewBag.Title</title>
6   <style>
7     #mainDiv {
8       padding: 20px;
9       border: solid medium black;
10      font-size: 20pt
11    }

```

```

12     </style>
13 </head>
14 <body>
15     <h1>Product Information</h1>
16     <div id="mainDiv">
17         @RenderBody()
18     </div>
19 </body>
20 </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`

```

1 @model Product
2
3 @{
4     Layout = "_BasicLayout";
5     ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
6 }
7
8 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.

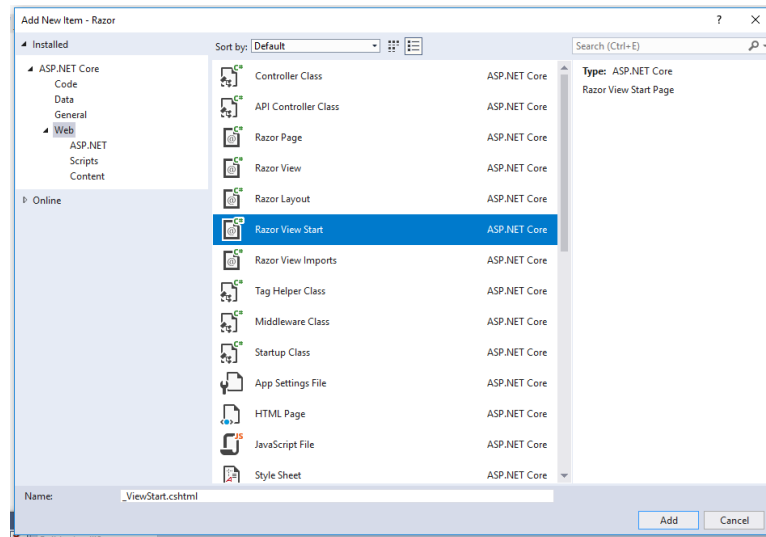


Figure 14: The `_ViewStart.cshtml` file

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

```

1 @{
2     Layout = "_BasicLayout";
3 }

```

3 Using Razor expressions

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

Listing 9: Editing `Index.cshtml`

```

1 @model Product
2
3 @{
4     ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
5 }
6
7 <p>
8     Product Name: @Model.Name
9 </p>
10 <p>
11     Product Price: @($"{Model.Price}")
12 </p>

```

26. Add this line of code to `HomeController.cs`: `cdViewBag.StockLevel = 2;` just above the `return View(myProduct);` statement.
27. Add this line of code to `Index.cshtml`: `cd<p>Stock Level: @ViewBag.StockLevel</p>` as the last line of the file. Start without debugging and examine 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 browser window.

Listing 10: Adding attributes

```

1 @model Product
2
3 @{
4     ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
5 }
6 <div data-productid="@Model.ProductID" data-stocklevel="@ViewBag.StockLevel">
7     <p>Product Name: @Model.Name</p>
8     <p>Product Price: @($"{Model.Price:C2}")</p>
9     <p>Stock Level: @ViewBag.StockLevel</p>
10 </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

```

1 @model Product
2
3 @{
4     ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
5 }
6 <div data-productid="@Model.ProductID" data-stocklevel="@ViewBag.StockLevel">
7     <p>Product Name: @Model.Name</p>
8     <p>Product Price: @($"{Model.Price:C2}")</p>
9     <p>Stock Level:
10         @switch (ViewBag.StockLevel)
11         {
12             case 0:
13                 @:Out of stock
14                 break;
15             case 1:
16             case 2:
17             case 3:
18                 <b>Low Stock: (@ViewBag.StockLevel)</b>
19                 break;

```

```

20         default:
21             @: @ViewBag.StockLevel in stock
22             break;
23     }
24 </p>
25 </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

```

1 @model Product
2
3 @{
4     ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
5 }
6 <div data-productid="@Model.ProductID" data-stocklevel="@ViewBag.StockLevel">
7     <p>Product Name: @Model.Name</p>
8     <p>Product Price: @($"{Model.Price:C2}")</p>
9     <p>Stock Level:
10         @if (ViewBag.StockLevel == 0)
11         {
12             @:Out of stock
13         }
14         else if (ViewBag.StockLevel > 0 && ViewBag.StockLevel <= 3)
15         {
16             <b> Low Stock: (@ViewBag.StockLevel) </b>
17         }
18         else
19         {
20             @: @ViewBag.StockLevel in stock
21         }
22     </p>
23 </div>

```

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

Listing 13: Edit to `HomeController.cs`

```

1 using System;
2 using System.Collections.Generic;
3 using System.Linq;
4 using System.Threading.Tasks;
5 using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;
6 using Razor.Models;
7
8 namespace Razor.Controllers
9 {
10     public class HomeController : Controller
11     {
12         public IActionResult Index()
13         {
14             Product[] array = {
15                 new Product {Name = "Kayak", Price = 275M},
16                 new Product {Name = "Lifejacket", Price = 48.95M},
17                 new Product {Name = "Soccer_ball", Price = 19.50M},
18                 new Product {Name = "Corner_flag", Price = 34.95M}
19             };
20             return View(array);
21         }
22     }
23 }

```

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

Listing 14: Final edit to Index.cshtml

```
1 @model Product[]
2
3 @{
4     ViewBag.Title = "Product_Name";
5 }
6
7 <table>
8     <thead>
9         <tr><th>Name</th><th>Price</th></tr>
10    </thead>
11    <tbody>
12        @foreach (Product p in Model)
13        {
14            <tr>
15                <td>@p.Name</td>
16                <td>@($"{p.Price:C2}")</td>
17            </tr>
18        }
19    </tbody>
20 </table>
```
