Feature 'interpolated strings' is not available in C# 5. Please use language version 6 or greater

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There is a similar question to this here but I believe that involves a different cause.

I moved a class from a newer project into an older project. Both were targeting .net 4.6 however after the move I received the following error on build.

> Feature 'interpolated strings' is not available in C# 5. Please use language version 6 or greater.

I tried setting my project to build with C# 6 in the properties window with no change.

c#   c#-6.0   .net-4.6

edited May 23 '17 at 12:18

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asked Feb 28 '16 at 19:08

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Makes sense since interpolated strings were added in 6.0 and you tried to run them against 5.0. Ref: msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/... – Tdorno Feb 28 '16 at 19:25

@TheColonel26 The default language for *any* project is "default." For it to be set to C# 5, it must have been changed explicitly at some point. Language version is in no way related to the version of .NET you target. – BJ Myers Feb 29 '16 at 1:53 ✏

@BJ Myers that is good to know. I am using VS 2015 though. The project was originally created in 2012 however which now hind sight being 20/20 it makes sense that it would still be set to version 5. – TheColonel26 Feb 29 '16 at 1:55

For me, this answer resolve the problem stackoverflow.com/a/36575516/6640473 – Richard Lindner Oct 27 '17 at 12:06
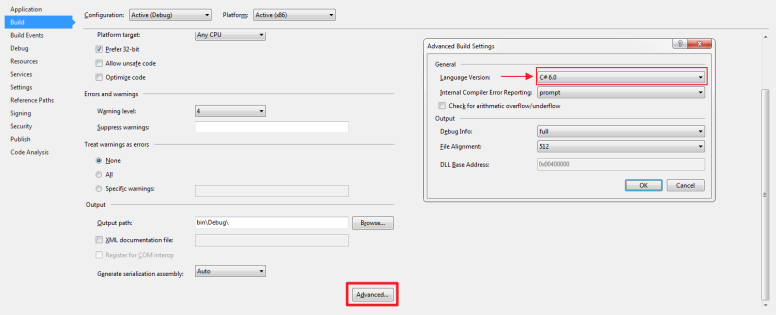
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I eventually found the place to change it. It seems sometimes when you update your targets framework version this does not get changed.

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I have visual studio community update 3 and cannot get to this screen. The closest thing I've found comes from the property pages, (it has a "build" option below "References" not "Application" and there is no "Advanced" button. – Malcolm Anderson Mar 19 '17 at 16:17 ✎

@MalcolmAnderson What type of project is this? – TheColonel26 Apr 4 '17 at 17:05

1   The answer is here stackoverflow.com/questions/31548699/ ..., you need to add a NuGet Package to make it work. – chrilith Sep 4 '17 at 10:26

1   Don't forget to set it on both Debug and Release builds (or "All Configurations") – Martin Randall Sep 13 '17 at 18:40

Install DotNetCompilerPlatform version 2.1.0

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answered May 17 '17 at 13:02

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1   i have a website not webapplication, this is the working solution for that. Found it in another article that we could do that by selecting the website then from the menu, website->Enable c#6 /VB 14 adds these packages as well – Esen Feb 27 '18 at 15:35 ✎

It's not working for me @Navid jaan. – AmirMehdi KhademAstaneh Feb 24 at 18:59