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Last post Dec 30, 2010 09:18 AM by [kevintan1983](#)

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Sep 20, 2007 10:59 AM | gregbalajewicz

I am trying to use a repater to list string in a collection (List<String> to be exact.) and I do not know what to put in Eval (??) to have it simply print out the string.

I tried Eval("ToString()") but this does not work and have been looking for a solution without much luck. (PS, there is a reason why I am using a repeater to list strings)

```
<asp:Repeater ID="Repeater1" runat="server">
```

```
<ItemTemplate> <li> <%# Eval("ToString()") %> </li> </ItemTemplate>
```

</asp:Repeater>

Thank you all for your help

Re: using Eval("") on a list of strings, ie using Eval on an object of type System.String

Sep 21, 2007 01:44 AM | pkellner

You at least need some kind of datasource for your repeater or it has nothing to list. what you put in your Eval is the actual dataitem from the datasource.

I'd suggest taking a look at some quickstart's for repeater. Here is one.

<http://quickstarts.asp.net/QuickStartv20/aspnet/doc/ctrlref/data/repeater.aspx>
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Re: using Eval("") on a list of strings, ie using Eval on an object of type System.String

Sep 21, 2007 07:32 AM | gregbalajewicz

he he, of course i need a datasource :)

and I do, its a list of strings.

```
myRepeater.DataSource = object of tye "List<string>"
```

```
myRepeater.DataBind()
```

Problem is, that with Eval you must specify a property of the object to access and "string" does not have such a property so I am wondering if there is some special syntax in Eval that will allow me to handle this situation.

Re: using Eval("") on a list of strings, ie using Eval on an object of type System.String

Sep 21, 2007 10:30 AM | pkellner

hmm. not sure on that one. If I were doing it, I'd make a very simple class with one named string property and reference that.

Re: using Eval("") on a list of strings, ie using Eval on an object of type System.String

Dec 10, 2009 08:16 AM | hightree

Google brought me here, with hope to find solution.

Finally I found solution by myself and I am hoping others can get helped.

```
<asp:Label ID="lblListItem" runat="server" Text='< %# Container.DataItem %>' />
```

Re: using Eval("") on a list of strings, ie using Eval on an object of type System.String

Dec 30, 2010 09:18 AM | kevintan1983

I was two years late to find how this actually works. Thanks for the syntax!

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