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ASP.NET 2.0 and ASP.NET Ajax



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25.1 Introduction

- **ASP.NET 2.0 and Web Forms and Controls**
 - **Web application development with Microsoft's ASP.NET 2.0 technology**
 - **Web Form files have the filename extension .aspx and contain the Web page's GUI**
 - **Every ASPX file created in Visual Studio has a corresponding class written in a .NET language, such as Visual Basic**
 - **Contains event handlers, initialization code, utility methods and other supporting code**
 - **Called the code-behind file**
 - **Provides the ASPX file's programmatic implementation**



25.2.1 Examining an ASPX File

■ Examining an ASPX File

- ASP.NET comments begin with `<%--` and terminate with `--%>`
- Page directive
 - Specifies the language of the code-behind file
- AutoEventWireup attribute
 - Determines how Web Form events are handle
- Inherits attribute
 - Specifies the class in the code-behind file from which this ASP.NET class inherits
- ASP.NET markup is not case-sensitive, so using a different case is not problematic



25.2.1 Examining an ASPX File

- **runat attribute**
 - Indicates that when a client requests this ASPX file:
**Process the head element and its nested elements on the server
and generate the corresponding XHTML sent to the client**
- **asp: tag prefix in a control declaration**
 - Indicates that it is an ASP.NET Web control
 - Each Web control maps to a corresponding XHTML element
 - When processing a Web control, ASP.NET generates XHTML markup that will be sent to the client to represent that control in a Web browser
- **span element**
 - Contains text that is displayed in a Web page



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ASP.NET comments

webTime.aspx

Page directive to specify
information needed by
ASP.NET to process this file

Document type declaration

Mark up of a label web control

```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.1: webTime.aspx --%>
2 <!-- A page that displays the current time in a Label. --%>
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false" CodeFile="webTime.aspx.vb"
4   Inherits="WebTime" EnableSessionState="False" %>
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
7   "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
8
9 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
10 <head runat="server">
11   <title>A Simple Web Form Example</title>
12 </head>
13 <body>
14   <form id="form1" runat="server">
15     <div>
16       <h2>
17         Current time on the web server:</h2>
18       <p>
19         <asp:Label ID="timeLabel" runat="server" BackColor="Black"
20           EnableViewState="False" Font-Size="XX-Large"
21           ForeColor="Yellow"></asp:Label>
22       </p>
23     </div>
24   </form>
25 </body>
26 </html>

```



25.2.2 Examining a Code-Behind File

- **Examining a Code-Behind File**
 - `System.Web.UI`
 - Contains classes and controls that assist in building Web-based applications
 - Class `Page`
 - Provides event handlers and objects necessary for creating Web-based applications
 - Method `Page_Init`
 - Handles the `Init` event
 - Indicates that a page is ready to be initialized
 - Class `Control`
 - The base class that provides common functionality for all Web controls

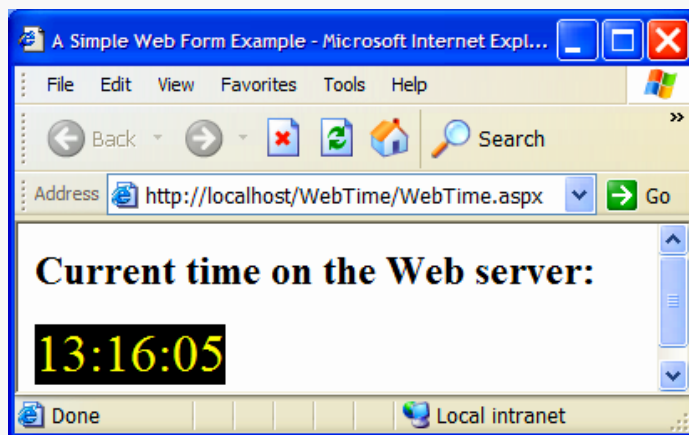


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WebTime.aspx.vb

```
1 ' Fig. 25.2: WebTime.aspx.vb
2 ' Code-behind file for a page that displays the current time.
3 Partial Class WebTime
4     Inherits System.Web.UI.Page
5
6     ' initializes the contents of the page
7     Protected Sub Page_Init(ByVal sender As Object, _
8         ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles Me.Init
9         ' display the server's current time in timeLabel
10        timeLabel.Text = DateTime.Now.ToString("hh:mm:ss")
11    End Sub ' Page_Init
12 End Class ' WebTime
```

Retrieves the current time and
formats it as hh:mm:ss



25.2.3 Relationship Between an ASPX File and a Code-Behind File

- **ASP.NET creates two `Partial` classes behind the scenes**
 - A class defined in the code-behind file
 - A class based on the markup in the ASPX file
 - Defines the page's visual representation
- **Web controls**
 - `System.Web.UI.WebControls`
 - Derive from class `WebControl`



25.2.4 How the Code in an ASP.NET Web Page Executes

- **When an instance of a page is created**
 - **PreInit event occurs, invoking method `Page_PreInit`**
 - **Init event invokes method `Page_Init`**
 - **Used to initialize objects and other aspects of the page**
 - **Load event occurs and the `Page_Load` event handler executes**
 - **Inherited from class `Page`**
 - **The page processes any events raised by the page's controls after `Page_Load` finishes executing**
 - **Unload event occurs when a Web Form object is ready for garbage collection**
 - **Event handler `Page_Unload`**
 - **Inherited from class `Page`**
 - **Contains any code that releases resources**



25.2.5 Examining the XHTML Generated by an ASP.NET Application

- **XHTML Generated by an ASP.NET Application**
 - **XHTML forms can contain visual and nonvisual components**
 - **Attribute method**
 - **Specifies the method by which the Web browser submits the form to the server**
 - **Attribute action**
 - **Identifies the name and location of the resource that will be requested when this form is submitted**
 - **The runat attribute is removed when the form is processed on the server**
 - **The method and action attributes are added**
 - **The resulting XHTML form is sent to the client browser**



Outline

webTime.html

```
1 <!-- Fig. 25.3: webTime.html -->
2 <!-- The XHTML generated when webTime.aspx is loaded. -->
3 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.1//EN"
4   "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml11/DTD/xhtml11.dtd">
5
6 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
7 <head>
8   <title>A Simple Web Form Example</title>
9 </head>
10 <body>
11   <form name="form1" method="post" action="WebTime.aspx" id="form1">
12     <div>
13       <input type="hidden" name="__VIEWSTATE" id="__VIEWSTATE" value=
14         "/WEPDwUJODEXMDE5NZY5ZGSzVbs789nqEeoNueQCnCJQEUGykw==" />
15     </div>
16
17     <div>
18       <h2>Current time on the Web server:</h2>
19       <p>
20         <span id="timeLabel" style="color:Yellow;
21           background-color:Black;font-size:XX-Large;">13:51:12</span>
22       </p>
23     </div>
24   </form>
25 </body>
26 </html>
```

Declaration for a non-visual
component: hidden input

Represents the text in the label



25.2.6 Building an ASP.NET Web Application

- **Step 1: Creating the Website (Fig. 25.4)**
 - <http://localhost> (IIS's root directory) corresponds to C:\InetPub\wwwroot
- **Step 2: Examining the Solution Explorer of the Newly Created Project (Fig. 25.5)**
- **Step 3: Examining the Toolbox in Visual Web Developer (Fig. 25.6)**
- **Step 4: Examining the Web Forms Designer (Fig. 25.7-8)**
- **Step 5: Examining the Code-Behind File in the IDE (Fig. 25.9)**
- **Step 6: Renaming the ASPX File**
- **Step 7: Renaming the Class in the Code-Behind File and Updating the ASPX File**
- **Step 8: Changing the Title of the Page**



25.2.6 Building an ASP.NET Web Application (Cont.)

- **Step 9: Designing the Page (Fig. 25.10)**
 - Relative positioning
 - Positions of controls and other elements are relative to the Web Form's upper-left corner
 - Absolute positioning
 - Controls are located exactly where they are dropped on the Web Form
 - Visual Web Developer is a WYSIWYG editor
 - “What You See Is What You Get”
- **Step 10: Adding Page Logic**
- **Step 11: Running the Program**
 - `web.config` stores configuration settings for an ASP.NET Web application



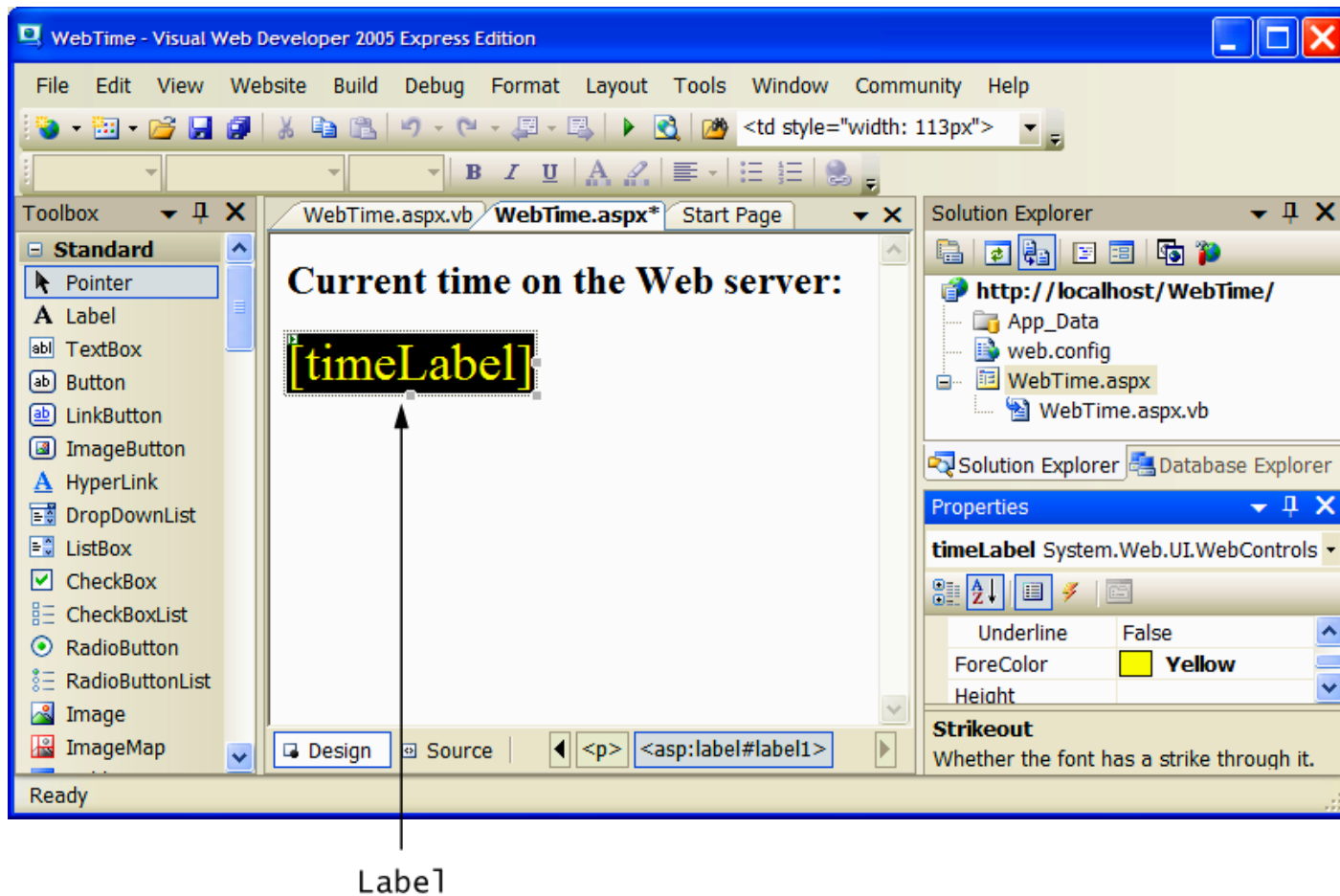


Fig. 25.11 | webTime.aspx after adding a Label1 and setting its properties.



25.3.1 Text and Graphics Controls

- **Examining Web Controls on a Sample Registration Form**
 - **Image control**
 - Inserts an image into a Web page
 - `ImageUrl` property specifies the file location of the image to display
 - **TextBox control**
 - Allows the you to obtain text from the user and display text to the user
 - **DropDownList control**
 - Provides a list of options to the user
 - Each item in the drop-down list is defined by a `Listitem` element
 - **HyperLink control**
 - Adds a hyperlink to a Web page
 - `NavigateUrl` property specifies the resource that is requested
 - **RadioButtonList control**
 - Provides a series of radio buttons for the user
 - **Button control**
 - Represents a button that triggers an action when clicked
 - **Visual Web Developer displays smart tag menus for many ASP.NET controls to facilitate performing common tasks**



Outline

webControls.aspx

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```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.13: webControls.aspx -->
2 <!-- Registration form that demonstrates web controls. -->
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
4     CodeFile="WebControls.aspx.vb" Inherits="WebControls" %>
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
7     "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
8
9 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
10 <head runat="server">
11     <title>Web Controls Demonstration</title>
12 </head>
13 <body>
14     <form id="form1" runat="server">
15         <div>
16             <h3>This is a sample registration form.</h3>
17             <p>
18                 <em>Please fill in all fields and click Register.</em></p>
19             <p>
20                 <asp:Image ID="userInformationImage" runat="server"
21                     EnableViewState="False" ImageUrl="~/Images/user.png" /> &nbsp;
22                 <span style="color: teal">
23                     Please fill out the fields below.</span>
24             </p>
25             <table id="TABLE1">
26                 <tr>
27                     <td style="width: 230px; height: 21px" valign="top">
28                         <asp:Image ID="firstNameImage" runat="server"

```

Set the color of a specific piece of text



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```

29         EnableViewState="False" ImageUrl="~/Images/fname.png" />
30         <asp:TextBox ID="firstNameTextBox" runat="server"
31             EnableViewState="False"></asp:TextBox>
32     </td>
33     <td style="width: 231px; height: 21px" valign="top">
34         <asp:Image ID="lastNameImage" runat="server"
35             EnableViewState="False" ImageUrl="~/Images/lname.png" />
36         <asp:TextBox ID="lastNameTextBox" runat="server"
37             EnableViewState="False"></asp:TextBox>
38     </td>
39 </tr>
40 <tr>
41     <td style="width: 230px" valign="top">
42         <asp:Image ID="emailImage" runat="server"
43             EnableViewState="False" ImageUrl="~/Images/ema
44         <asp:TextBox ID="emailTextBox" runat="server"
45             EnableViewState="False"></asp:TextBox>
46     </td>
47     <td style="width: 231px" valign="top">
48         <asp:Image ID="phoneImage" runat="server"
49             EnableViewState="False" ImageUrl="~/Images/phone.png" />
50         <asp:TextBox ID="phoneTextBox" runat="server"
51             EnableViewState="False"></asp:TextBox>
52         Must be in the form (555) 555-5555.
53     </td>
54 </tr>
55 </table>
56 <p>

```

Define a **TextBox** control used to collect the user's first name



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Defines a
DropDownList

Each item in the drop-
down list is defined by
a ListItem element

Adds a hyperlink
to the web page

```

57 <asp:Image ID="publicationsImage" runat="server"
58     EnableViewState="False"
59     ImageUrl="~/Images/publications.png" /> &nbsp;
60 <span style="color: teal">
61     which book would you like information about?</span>
62 </p>
63 <p>
64     <asp:DropDownList ID="booksDropDownList" runat="server"
65         EnableViewState="False">
66         <asp:ListItem>Visual Basic 2005 How to Program 3e
67         </asp:ListItem>
68         <asp:ListItem>Visual C# 2005 How to Program 2e
69         </asp:ListItem>
70         <asp:ListItem>Java How to Program 6e</asp:ListItem>
71         <asp:ListItem>C++ How to Program 5e</asp:ListItem>
72         <asp:ListItem>XML How to Program 1e</asp:ListItem>
73     </asp:DropDownList>
74 </p>
75 <p>
76     <asp:HyperLink ID="booksHyperLink" runat="server"
77         EnableViewState="False" NavigateUrl="http://www.deitel.com"
78         Target="_blank">
79         Click here to view more information about our books
80     </asp:HyperLink>
81 </p>
82 <p>
83     <asp:Image ID="osImage" runat="server" EnableViewState="False"
84     ImageUrl="~/Images/os.png" /> &nbsp;

```



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webControls.aspx

Defines a
RadioButtonList
control

Each item in the drop-
down list is defined by
a **Listitem** element

Defines a **Button** web control

```

85     <span style="color: teal">
86         which operating system are you using?</span>
87     </p>
88     <p>
89         <asp:RadioButtonList ID="operatingSystemRadioButtonList"
90             runat="server" EnableViewState="False">
91             <asp:ListItem>Windows XP</asp:ListItem>
92             <asp:ListItem>Windows 2000</asp:ListItem>
93             <asp:ListItem>Windows NT</asp:ListItem>
94             <asp:ListItem>Linux</asp:ListItem>
95             <asp:ListItem>Other</asp:ListItem>
96         </asp:RadioButtonList>
97     </p>
98     <p>
99         <asp:Button ID="registerButton" runat="server"
100             EnableViewState="False" Text="Register" />
101     </p>
102 </div>
103 </form>
104 </body>
105 </html>

```



25.3.2 AdRotator Control

- AdRotator control
 - Randomly selects an image to display
 - Generates a hyperlink to the Web page associated with that image
 - Browsers that do not support images display alternate text that is specified in the XML document
 - The browser loads the Web page associated with that image when a user clicks the image or substituted text



25.3.2 AdRotator Control (Cont.)

- **AdRotator control**
 - **Accesses an XML file to determine what advertisement image, hyperlink URL and alternate text to display and include in the page**
 - **Create an XmlDataSource control to connect to the XML file**
 - **ImageUrl Element**
 - **Specifies the path (location) of the advertisement's image**
 - **NavigateUrl Element**
 - **Specifies the URL for the Web page that loads when a user clicks the advertisement**
 - **The URL cannot contain any whitespace**
 - **AlternateText Element**
 - **Contains text that displays in place of the image when the browser cannot locate or render the image**
 - **Also a tooltip**
 - **Impressions Element**
 - **Specifies how often a particular image appears, relative to the other images**



Outline

FlagRotator.aspx

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```
1 <!-- Fig. 25.15: FlagRotator.aspx -->
2 <!-- A Web Form that displays flags using an AdRotator control. -->
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
4     CodeFile="FlagRotator.aspx.vb" Inherits="FlagRotator" %>
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
7     "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
8
9 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
10 <head runat="server">
11     <title>Flag Rotator</title>
12 </head>
13 <body background="Images/background.png">
14     <form id="form1" runat="server">
15         <div>
16             <h3>AdRotator Example</h3>
17             <p>
18                 <asp:AdRotator ID="countryRotator" runat="server"
19                     DataSourceID="adXmlDataSource" />
20                 <asp:XmlDataSource ID="adXmlDataSource" runat="server"
21                     DataFile="~/App_Data/AdRotatorInformation.xml">
22                 </asp:XmlDataSource>
23             </p>
24         </div>
25     </form>
26 </body>
27 </html>
```

Defines an
AdRotator
control

Defines an XmlDataSource
control, which supplies the data
to the AdRotator control



Outline

AdRotatorInformation.xml

```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <!-- Fig. 25.16: AdRotatorInformation.xml -->
3 <!-- XML file containing advertisement information. -->
4 <Advertisements>
5   <Ad>
6     <ImageUrl>Images/france.png</ImageUrl>
7     <NavigateUrl>http://www.cia.gov/library/publications/
8       the-world-factbook/geos/fr.html
9     </NavigateUrl>
10    <AlternateText>France Information</AlternateText>
11    <Impressions>1</Impressions>
12  </Ad>
13
14  <Ad>
15    <ImageUrl>Images/germany.png</ImageUrl>
16    <NavigateUrl>http://www.cia.gov/library/publications/
17      the-world-factbook/geos/gm.html
18    </NavigateUrl>
19    <AlternateText>Germany Information</AlternateText>
20    <Impressions>1</Impressions>
21  </Ad>
22
23  <Ad>
24    <ImageUrl>Images/italy.png</ImageUrl>
25    <NavigateUrl>http://www.cia.gov/library/publications/
26      the-world-factbook/geos/it.html
27    </NavigateUrl>
28    <AlternateText>Italy Information</AlternateText>
```

Each Ad element represents an advertisement that will be displayed by the AdRotator control

Specifies the path of the advertisement's image

Specifies the URL for the Web page that loads when user clicks on the advertisement

Text that displays in place of the image when the browser cannot render the image

Specifies how often a particular image appears



25.3.3 Validation Controls

- **Validation Control**

- **Determines whether the data in another Web control is in the proper format**
- **Provide a mechanism for validating user input on the client**
- **The validator is converted into ECMAScript when the XHTML for the page is created**
 - **ECMAScript is a scripting language that enhances the functionality and appearance of Web pages**
 - **For security reasons, validation is always performed on the server**



25.3.3 Validation Controls (Cont.)

- **ControlToValidate property**
 - Indicates Validator verifies a control's contents
- **ErrorMessage Property**
 - Text displayed if the validation fails
- **Display property**
 - Determines if the validator is displayed only when validation fails
- **RegularExpressionValidator**
 - Matches a Web control's content against a regular expression
 - That expression is assigned to ValidationExpression property
- **IsPostBack property**
 - Determines whether the page is being loaded due to a postback
 - The current page reloads when the user submits the form
- **EnableViewState attribute**
 - Determines whether a Web control's state persists when a postback occurs



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```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.17: Validation.aspx --%>
2 <!-- Form that demonstrates using validators to validate user input. --%>
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
4   CodeFile="Validation.aspx.vb" Inherits="Validation" %>
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
7   "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
8
9 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
10 <head runat="server">
11   <title>Demonstrating Validation Controls</title>
12 </head>
13 <body>
14   <form id="form1" runat="server">
15     <div>
16       Please fill out the following form.<br /><em>All fields are
17       required and must contain valid information.</em><br />
18       <br />
19       <table>
20         <tr>
21           <td style="width: 100px" valign="top">
22             Name:</td>
23           <td style="width: 450px" valign="top">
24             <asp:TextBox ID="nameTextBox" runat="server">
25             </asp:TextBox><br />
26             <asp:RequiredFieldValidator
27               ID="nameInputValidator" runat="server"
28               ControlToValidate="nameTextBox" Display="Dynamic"
29               ErrorMessage="Please enter your name.">
30             </asp:RequiredFieldValidator>

```

Defines a
RequiredFieldValidator
which confirms the TextBox is
not empty



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```

31 </td>
32 </tr>
33 <tr>
34 <td style="width: 100px" valign="top">E-mail address:</td>
35 <td style="width: 450px" valign="top">
36 <asp:TextBox ID="emailTextBox" runat="server">
37 </asp:TextBox>
38 &nbsp;  e.g., user@domain.com<br />
39 <asp:RequiredFieldValidator
40 ID="emailInputValidator" runat="server"
41 ControlToValidate="emailTextBox" Display="Dynamic"
42 ErrorMessage="Please enter your e-mail address.">
43 </asp:RequiredFieldValidator>
44 <asp:RegularExpressionValidator
45 ID="emailFormatValidator" runat="server"
46 ControlToValidate="emailTextBox" Display="Dynamic"
47 ErrorMessage=
48 "Please enter an e-mail address in a valid format."
49 ValidationExpression=
50 "\w+([-+.']\w+)*@\w+([-.\]\w+)*\.\w+([-.\]\w+)*">
51 </asp:RegularExpressionValidator>
52 </td>
53 </tr>
54 <tr>
55 <td style="width: 100px; height: 21px" valign="top">
56 Phone number:</td>
57 <td style="width: 450px; height: 21px" valign="top">
58 <asp:TextBox ID="phoneTextBox" runat="server">
59 </asp:TextBox>

```

Defines a
RequiredFieldValidator
which confirms the TextBox is
not empty

Defines a
**RegularExpressionValida
tor** control to determine whether
data is entered in a valid format



```

60 &nbsp;e.g., (555) 555-1234<br />
61 <asp:RequiredFieldValidator
62     ID="phoneInputValidator" runat="server"
63     ControlToValidate="phoneTextBox" Display="Dynamic"
64     ErrorMessage="Please enter your phone number.">
65 </asp:RequiredFieldValidator>
66 <asp:RegularExpressionValidator
67     ID="phoneFormatValidator" runat="server"
68     ControlToValidate="phoneTextBox" Display="Dynamic"
69     ErrorMessage=
70         "Please enter a phone number in a valid format."
71     ValidationExpression=
72         "((\(\d{3}\) )?|(\d{3}-))?\d{3}-\d{4}">
73 </asp:RegularExpressionValidator>
74 </td>
75 </tr>
76 </table>
77 <br />
78 <asp:Button ID="submitButton" runat="server" Text="Submit" /><br />
79 <br />
80 <asp:Label ID="outputLabel" runat="server"
81     Text="Thank you for your submission." Visible="False">
82 </asp:Label>
83 </div>
84 </form>
85 </body>
86 </html>

```

Defines a
RequiredFieldValidator
which confirms the TextBox is
not empty

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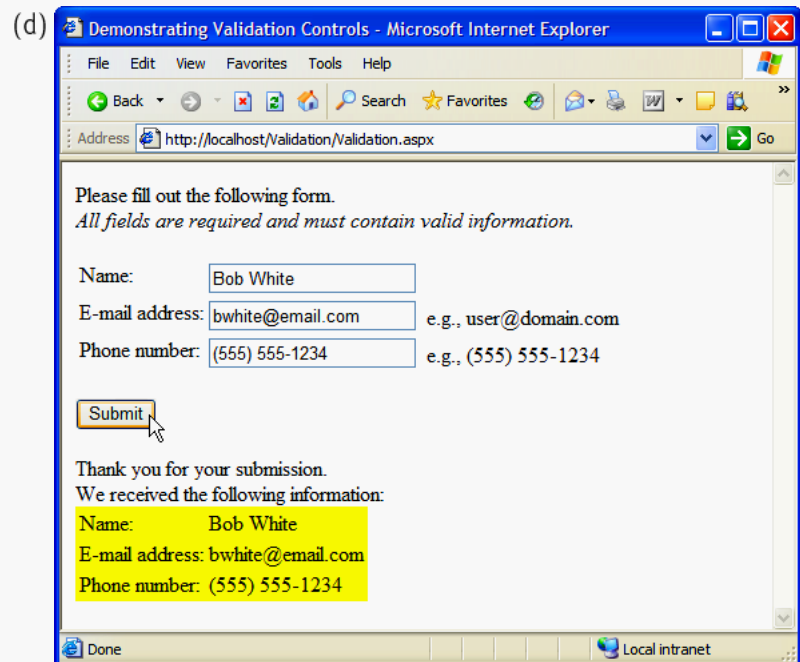
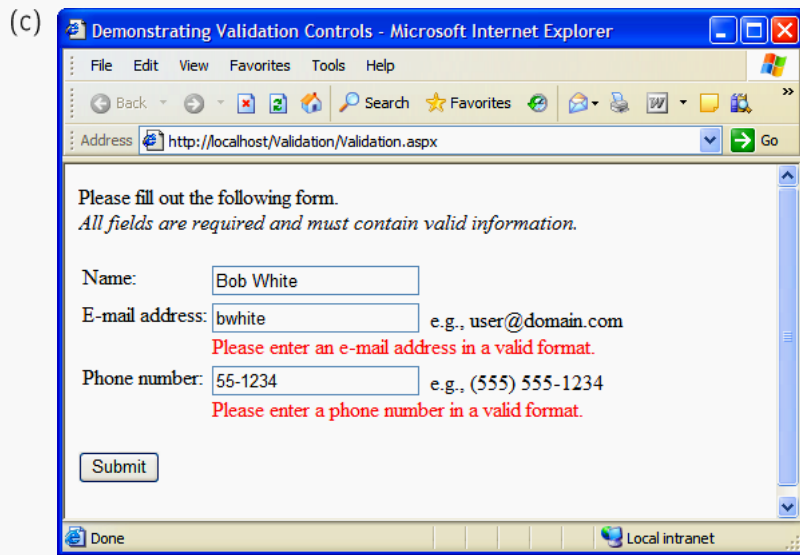
Defines a
RegularExpressionValidator
control to determine whether data is
entered in a valid format



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Outline

validation.aspx .vb

```

1  ' Fig. 25.18: Validation.aspx.vb
2  ' Code-behind file for the form demonstrating validation controls.
3  Partial Class Validation
4      Inherits System.Web.UI.Page
5
6      ' Page_Load event handler executes when the page is loaded
7      Protected Sub Page_Load(ByVal sender As Object, _
8          ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles Me.Load
9          ' if this is not the first time the page is loading
10         ' (i.e., the user has already submitted form data)
11         If IsPostBack Then
12             ' retrieve the values submitted by the user
13             Dim name As String = nameTextBox.Text
14             Dim email As String = emailTextBox.Text
15             Dim phone As String = phoneTextBox.Text
16
17             ' create a table indicating the submitted values
18             outputLabel.Text &= _
19                 "<br />We received the following information:" & _
20                 "<table style=""background-color: yellow"">" & _
21                 "<tr><td>Name: </td><td>" & name & "</td></tr>" & _
22                 "<tr><td>E-mail address: </td><td>" & email & "</td></tr>" & _
23                 "<tr><td>Phone number: </td><td>" & phone & "</td></tr>" & _
24                 "<table>"
25             outputLabel.Visible = True ' display the output message
26         End If
27     End Sub ' Page_Load
28 End Class ' Validation

```

Determines whether the page is
being loaded due to a postback

Retrieves the values of the
TextBoxes



25.4 Session Tracking

- **Session Tracking**

- **Tracking individual clients**
- **The request/response system on which the Web operates is facilitated by HTTP**
 - **HTTP is a stateless protocol**

Does not support persistent connections

- **Web servers cannot maintain state information regarding particular clients**
- **A session represents a unique client on a Web site**
 - **The client will still be recognized as the same user if the client leaves a site and returns later**

Each client must identify itself to the server

- **Help the server distinguish among clients**



25.4.1 Cookies

- **Cookies**
 - Piece of data stored in a small text file on the user's computer
 - Maintains information about the client during and between browser sessions
 - Are sent and received as a collection of type `HttpCookieCollection`
 - Web Forms can examine the cookies it sent to the client during previous communications
 - The expiration date determines how long the cookie remains on the client's computer
 - The Web browser maintains the cookie for the duration of the browsing session if there is no expiration date
 - Response object's `Cookies` property
 - Used to write cookies to a client
 - Used to access cookies
 - Can be read by an application only if they were created in the domain in which the application is running



25.4.2 Session Tracking with HttpSessionState

- **Class HttpSessionState**
 - Provides session-tracking
 - Every Web Form includes an HttpSessionState object
 - Accessible through property Session of class Page
 - Can store name–value pairs using method Add
 - When adding an attribute that has the same name, the object associated with that attribute is replaced



Properties	Description
Count	Specifies the number of key–value pairs in the Session object.
IsNewSession	Indicates whether this is a new session (i.e., whether the session was created during loading of this page).
IsReadOnly	Indicates whether the Session object is read-only.
Keys	Returns a collection containing the Session object's keys.
SessionID	Returns the session's unique ID.
Timeout	Specifies the maximum number of minutes during which a session can be inactive (i.e., no requests are made) before the session expires. By default, this property is set to 20 minutes.

Fig. 25.27 | HttpSessionState properties.



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```
1 <!-- Fig. 25.25: Options.aspx --%>
2 <!-- Allows client to select programming languages and access --%>
3 <!-- book recommendations. --%>
4 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
5     CodeFile="Options.aspx.vb" Inherits="Options" %>
6
7 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
8     "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
9
10 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
11 <head id="Head1" runat="server">
12     <title>Sessions</title>
13 </head>
14 <body>
15     <form id="form1" runat="server">
16     <div>
17         <asp:Label ID="promptLabel" runat="server" Font-Bold="True"
18             Font-Size="Large" Text="Select a programming language:">
19     </asp:Label>
20     <asp:RadioButtonList ID="languageList" runat="server">
21         <asp:ListItem>Visual Basic 2005</asp:ListItem>
22         <asp:ListItem>Visual C# 2005</asp:ListItem>
23         <asp:ListItem>C</asp:ListItem>
24         <asp:ListItem>C++</asp:ListItem>
25         <asp:ListItem>Java</asp:ListItem>
```



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```
26 </asp:RadioButtonList>
27 <asp:Button ID="submitButton" runat="server" Text="Submit" />
28 <asp:Label ID="responseLabel" runat="server" Font-Bold="True"
29     Font-Size="Large" Text="Welcome to sessions!" Visible="False">
30 </asp:Label><br />
31 <br />
32 <asp:Label ID="idLabel" runat="server" Visible="False">
33 </asp:Label><br />
34 <br />
35 <asp:Label ID="timeoutLabel" runat="server" Visible="False">
36 </asp:Label><br />
37 <br />
38 <asp:HyperLink ID="languageLink" runat="server"
39     NavigateUrl="~/Options.aspx" Visible="False">
40     Click here to choose another language
41 </asp:HyperLink><br />
42 <br />
43 <asp:HyperLink ID="recommendationsLink" runat="server"
44     NavigateUrl="~/Recommendations.aspx" Visible="False">
45     Click here to get book recommendations
46 </asp:HyperLink>
47 </div>
48 </form>
49 </body>
50 </html>
```

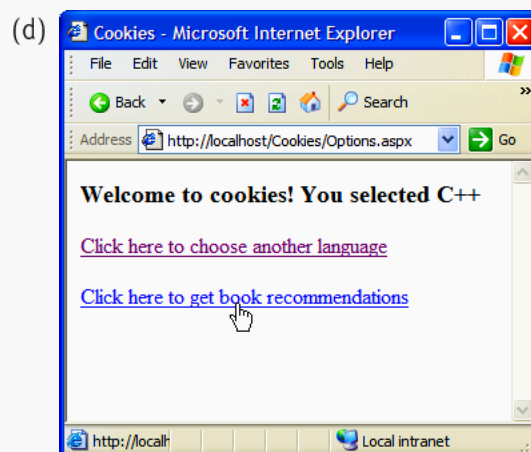
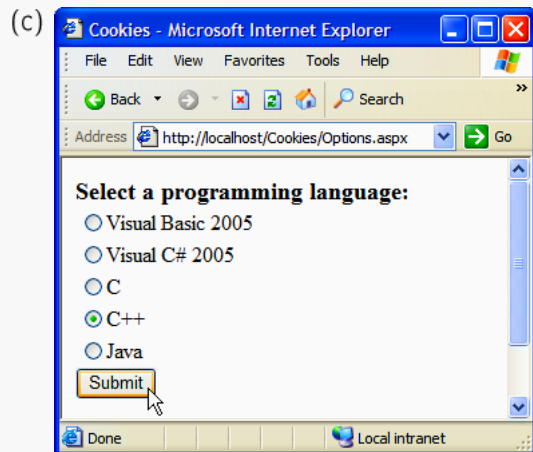
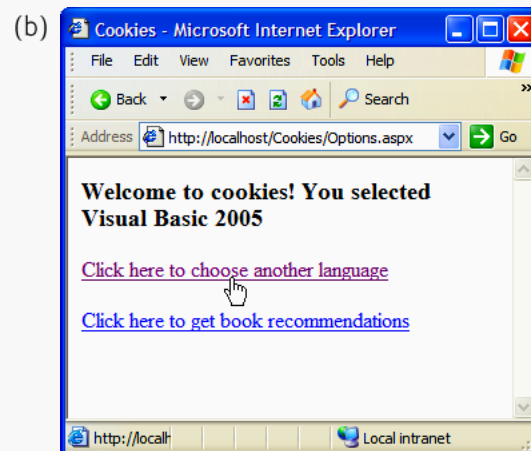
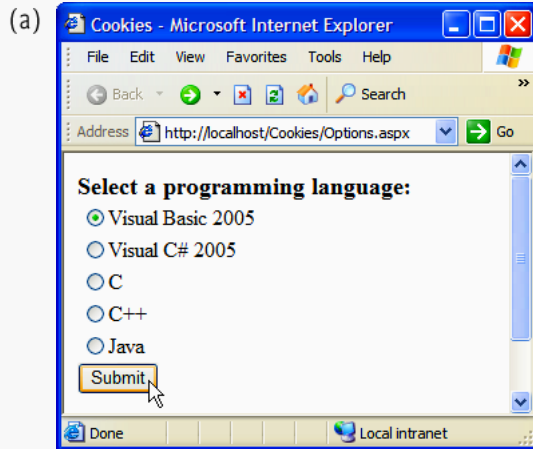
Hidden labels to display
tracking information



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```

1  ' Fig. 25.26: Options.aspx.vb
2  ' Processes user's selection of a programming language
3  ' by displaying links and writing information in a Session object.
4  Partial Class Options
5      Inherits System.Web.UI.Page
6      ' stores values to represent books
7      Private books As New System.Collections.Hashtable()
8
9      ' initializes the Hashtable of values to be stored in a Session
10     Protected Sub Page_Init(ByVal sender As Object, _
11         ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles Me.Init
12         books.Add("Visual Basic 2005", "0-13-186900-0")
13         books.Add("Visual C# 2005", "0-13-152523-9")
14         books.Add("C", "0-13-142644-3")
15         books.Add("C++", "0-13-185757-6")
16         books.Add("Java", "0-13-148398-6")
17     End Sub ' Page_Init
18
19     ' if postback, hide form and display links to make additional
20     ' selections or view recommendations
21     Protected Sub Page_Load(ByVal sender As Object, _
22         ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles Me.Load
23

```



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```
24 If IsPostBack Then
25     ' user has submitted information, so display message
26     ' and appropriate hyperlinks
27     responseLabel.Visible = True
28     idLabel.Visible = True
29     timeoutLabel.Visible = True
30     languageLink.Visible = True
31     recommendationsLink.Visible = True
32
33     ' hide other controls used to make language selection
34     promptLabel.Visible = False
35     languageList.Visible = False
36     submitButton.Visible = False
37
38     ' if the user made a selection, display it in responseLabel
39     If languageList.SelectedItem IsNot Nothing Then
40         responseLabel.Text &= " You selected " & _
41             languageList.SelectedItem.Text.ToString()
42     Else
43         responseLabel.Text &= " You did not select a language."
44     End If
45
46     ' display session ID
47     idLabel.Text = "Your unique session ID is: " & Session.SessionID
48
```

Returns the unique session ID



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Returns the maximum amount of time that an `HttpSessionState` object can be inactive before it is discarded

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Place the language and its corresponding ISBN number in the `HttpSessionState` object

```
49 ' display the timeout
50 timeoutLabel.Text = "Timeout: " & Session.Timeout & " minutes."
51 End If
52 End Sub ' Page_Load
53
54 ' record the user's selection in the Session
55 Protected Sub submitButton_Click(ByVal sender As Object, _
56     ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles submitButton.Click
57     ' if the user made a selection
58     If languageList.SelectedItem IsNot Nothing Then
59         Dim language As String = languageList.SelectedItem.ToString()
60
61         ' get ISBN number of book for the given language
62         Dim ISBN As String = books(language).ToString()
63
64         Session.Add(language, ISBN) ' add name/value pair to Session
65     End If
66 End Sub ' submitButton_Click
67 End Class ' Options
```



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Recommendations.aspx

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```
1 <!-- Fig. 25.28: Recommendations.aspx --%>
2 <!-- Displays book recommendations using a Session object. --%>
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
4     CodeFile="Recommendations.aspx.vb" Inherits="Recommendations" %>
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
7     "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
8
9 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
10 <head id="Head1" runat="server">
11     <title>Book Recommendations</title>
12 </head>
13 <body>
14     <form id="form1" runat="server">
15         <div>
16             <asp:Label ID="recommendationsLabel" runat="server"
17                 Font-Bold="True" Font-Size="X-Large" Text="Recommendations">
18             </asp:Label><br />
19             <br />
20             <asp:ListBox ID="booksListBox" runat="server" Height="125px"
21                 width="450px"></asp:ListBox><br />
22             <br />
23             <asp:HyperLink ID="languageLink" runat="server"
24                 NavigateUrl="~/Options.aspx">
25                 Click here to choose another language
26             </asp:HyperLink>&nbsp;</div>
27     </form>
28 </body>
29 </html>
```

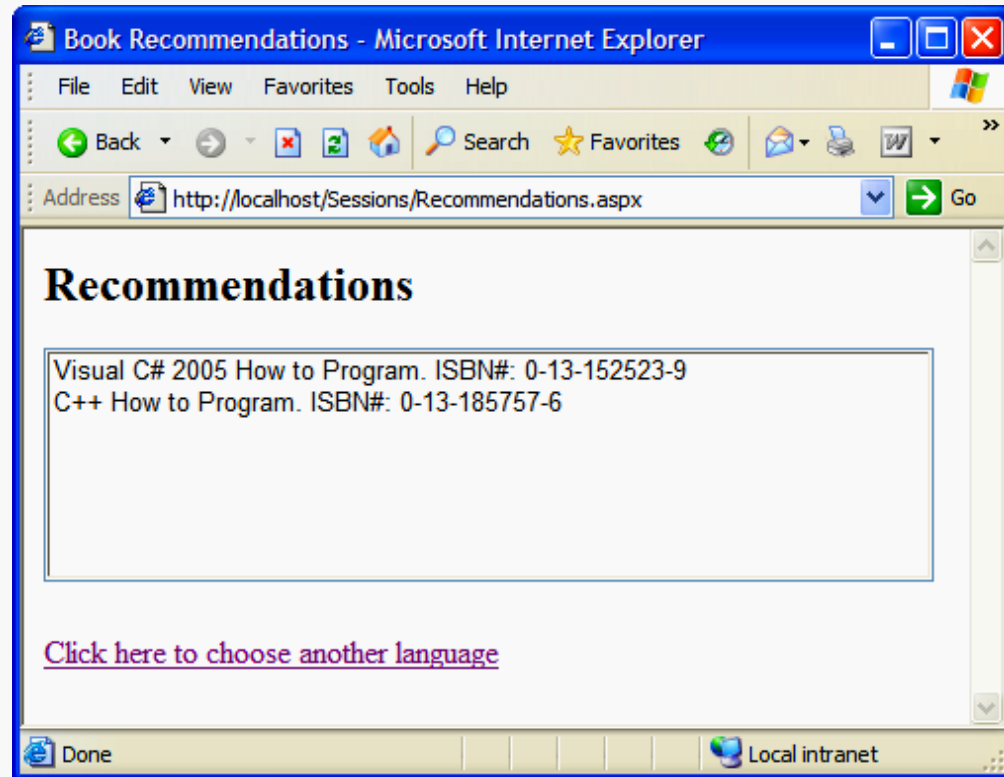
Used to present the
recommendations to the user



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Provides the number of session items contained in a **Session** object

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Indexes the collection containing all the keys in the session to receive the current key

Concatenate and display the string that is the recommendation in the **List**Box

```

1  ' Fig. 25.29: Recommendations.aspx.vb
2  ' Creates book recommendations based on a Session object.
3  Partial Class Recommendations
4      Inherits System.Web.UI.Page
5
6      ' read Session items and populate ListBox with any book recommendations
7      Protected Sub Page_Init(ByVal sender As Object, _
8          ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles Me.Init
9          ' determine whether Session contains any information
10         If Session.Count <> 0 Then
11             For i As Integer = 0 To Session.Count - 1
12                 ' get current key name from Session object
13                 Dim keyName As String = Session.Keys(i)
14
15                 ' use keyName to display one of Session's name-value pairs
16                 booksListBox.Items.Add(keyName & _
17                     " How to Program. ISBN#: " & _
18                     Session(keyName).ToString())

```



```
19     Next
20 Else
21     ' if there are no session items, no language was chosen, so
22     ' display appropriate message and clear and hide booksListBox
23     recommendationsLabel1.Text = "No Recommendations"
24     booksListBox.Items.Clear()
25     booksListBox.Visible = False
26
27     ' modify languageLink because no language was selected
28     languageLink.Text = "Click here to choose a language"
29 End If
30 End Sub ' Page_Init
31 End Class ' Recommendations
```

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25.5.1 Building a Web Form That Displays Data from a Database

- **Step 1: Creating the Project**
- **Step 2: Creating the Form for User Input (Fig. 25.30)**
- **Step 3: Adding a GridView Control to the Web Form**
- **Step 4: Adding a Database to an ASP.NET Web Application**
 - Database used by an ASP.NET Web site should be located in the project's App_Data folder
- **Step 5: Binding the GridView to the Messages Table of the Guestbook Database (Fig. 25.31-34)**
- **Step 6: Modifying the Columns of the Data Source Displayed in the GridView (Fig. 25.35)**
- **Step 7: Modifying the Way the SqlDataSource Control Inserts Data (Fig. 25.36)**
 - Each column is represented as a BoundField



25.5.1 Building a Web Form That Displays Data from a Database (Cont.)

- **GridView**
 - **DataSourceID** property
 - Identifies the data source that is used to fill the **GridView** with data at runtime
 - **HeaderText** property
 - Indicates the text that appears as the column header
 - By default, this is the name of the column in the data source
 - Each column is represented as a **BoundField**



25.5.1 Building a Web Form That Displays Data from a Database (Cont.)

- **SqlDataSource**
 - **ConnectionString property**
 - Indicates the connection that the SqlDataSource control interacts with
 - The value of this property uses an ASP.NET expression, delimited by < '%\$ and %>
 - **SelectCommand, DeleteCommand, InsertCommand and UpdateCommand properties**
 - Contain the SELECT, DELETE, INSERT and UPDATE SQL statements, respectively
 - **Parameters that are set programmatically are defined by Parameter elements**
 - **Parameters that obtain their values from controls are defined by ControlParameter elements**



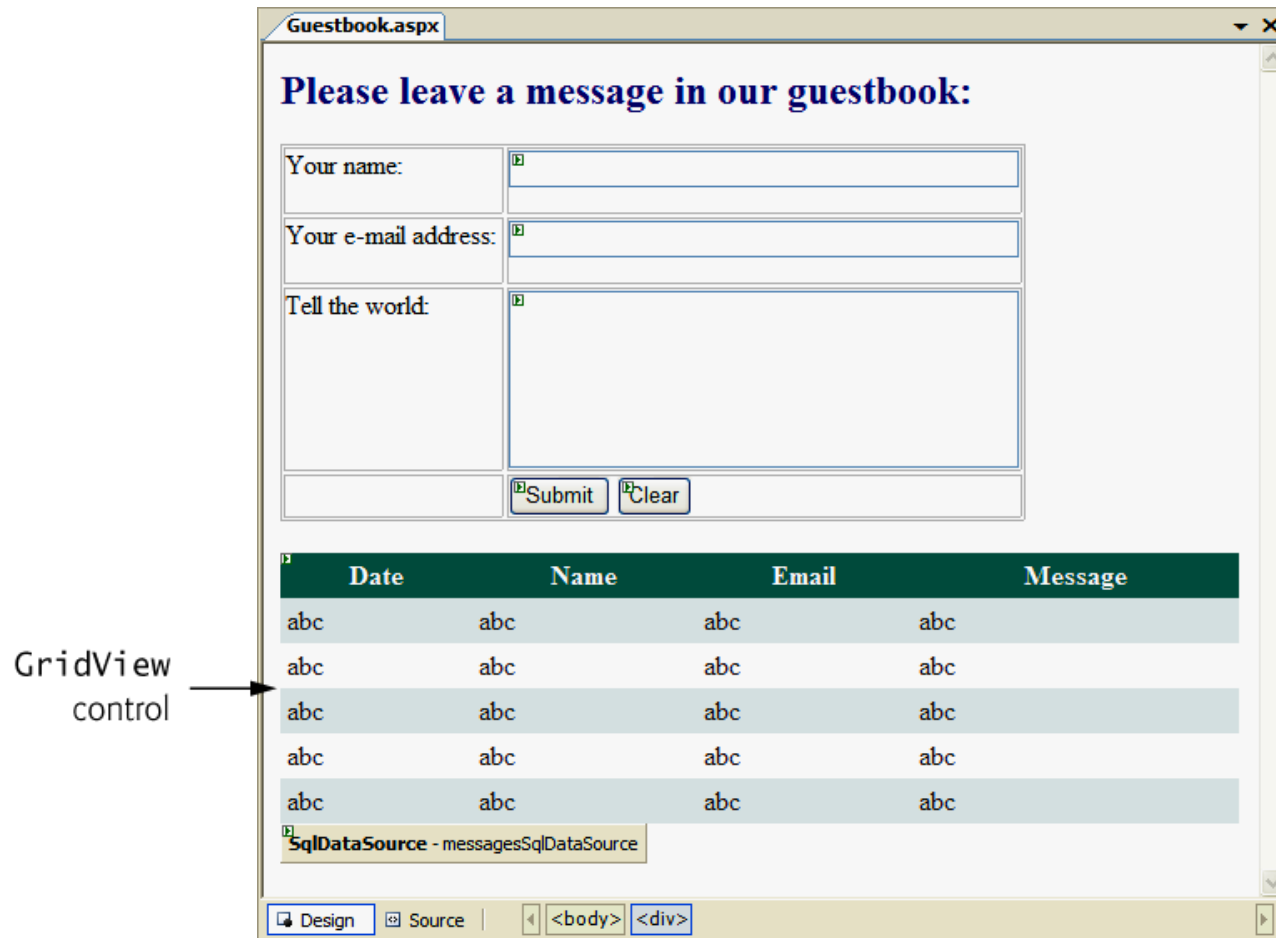


Fig. 25.30 | Guestbook application GUI in **Design** mode.

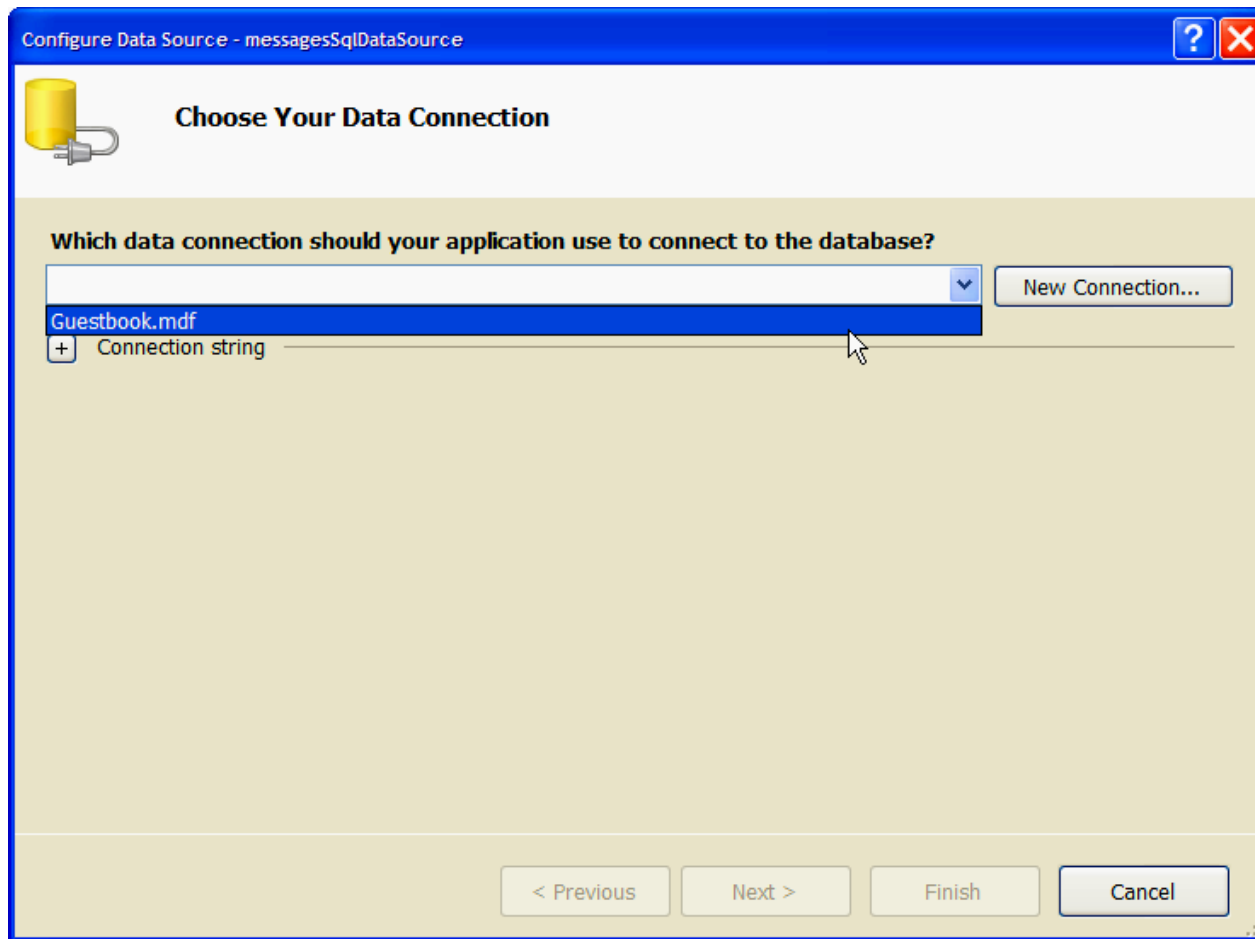


Fig. 25.31 | Configure Data Source dialog in Visual Web Developer.

Configure Data Source - messagesSqlDataSource

Configure the Select Statement

How would you like to retrieve data from your database?

☐ Specify a custom SQL statement or stored procedure

☒ Specify columns from a table or view

Name:
Messages

Columns:

- ☒ *
- ☐ MessageID
- ☐ Date
- ☐ Name
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Message

☐ Return only unique rows

WHERE...

ORDER BY...

Advanced...

SELECT statement:
SELECT * FROM [Messages]

< Previous Next > Finish Cancel

Fig. 25.32 | Configuring the **SELECT** statement used by the **SqlDataSource** to retrieve data.

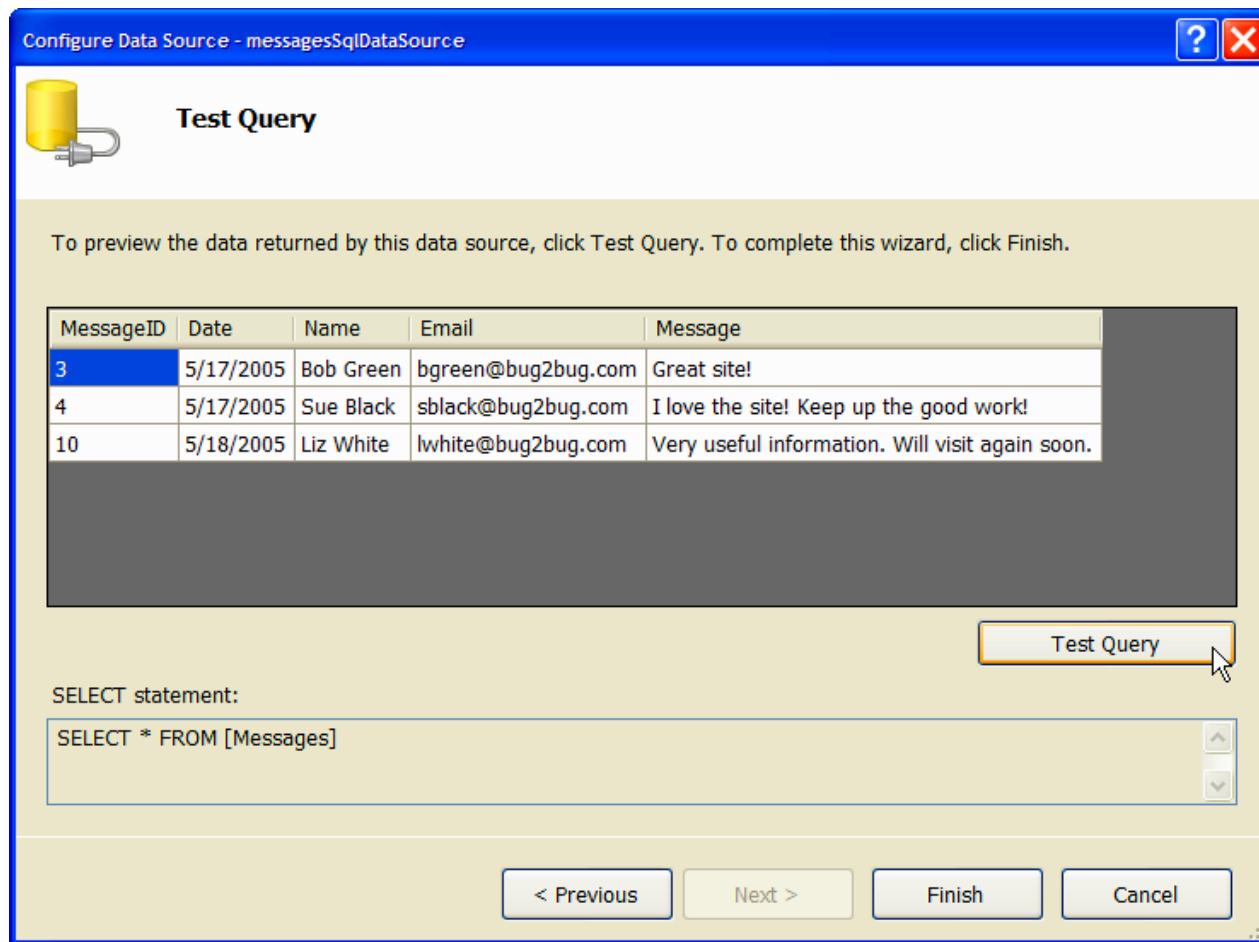


Fig. 25.33 | Previewing the data retrieved by the **SqlDataSource**.

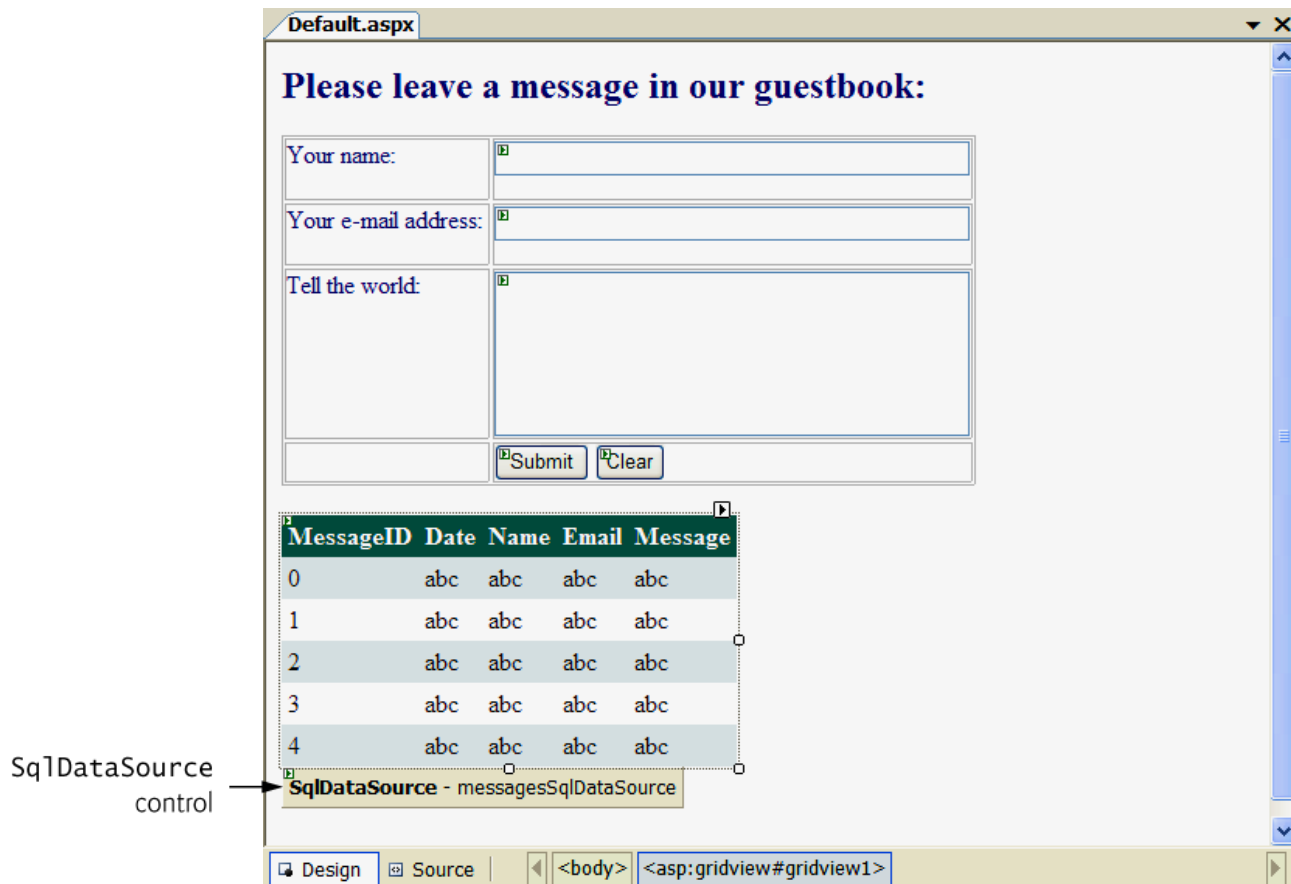


Fig. 25.34 | Design mode displaying SqlDataSource control for a GridView.

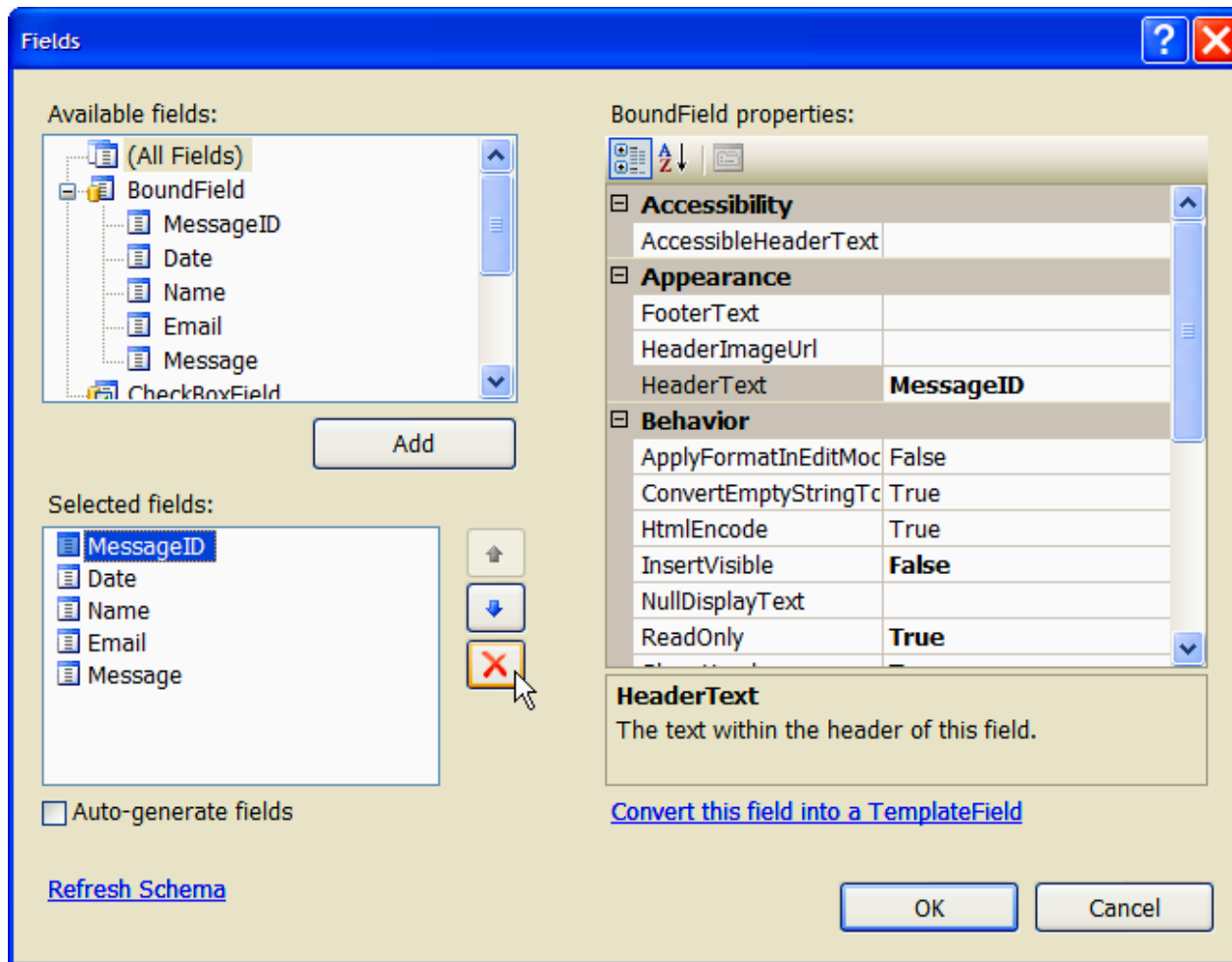


Fig. 25.35 | Removing the **MessageID** column from the **GridView**.

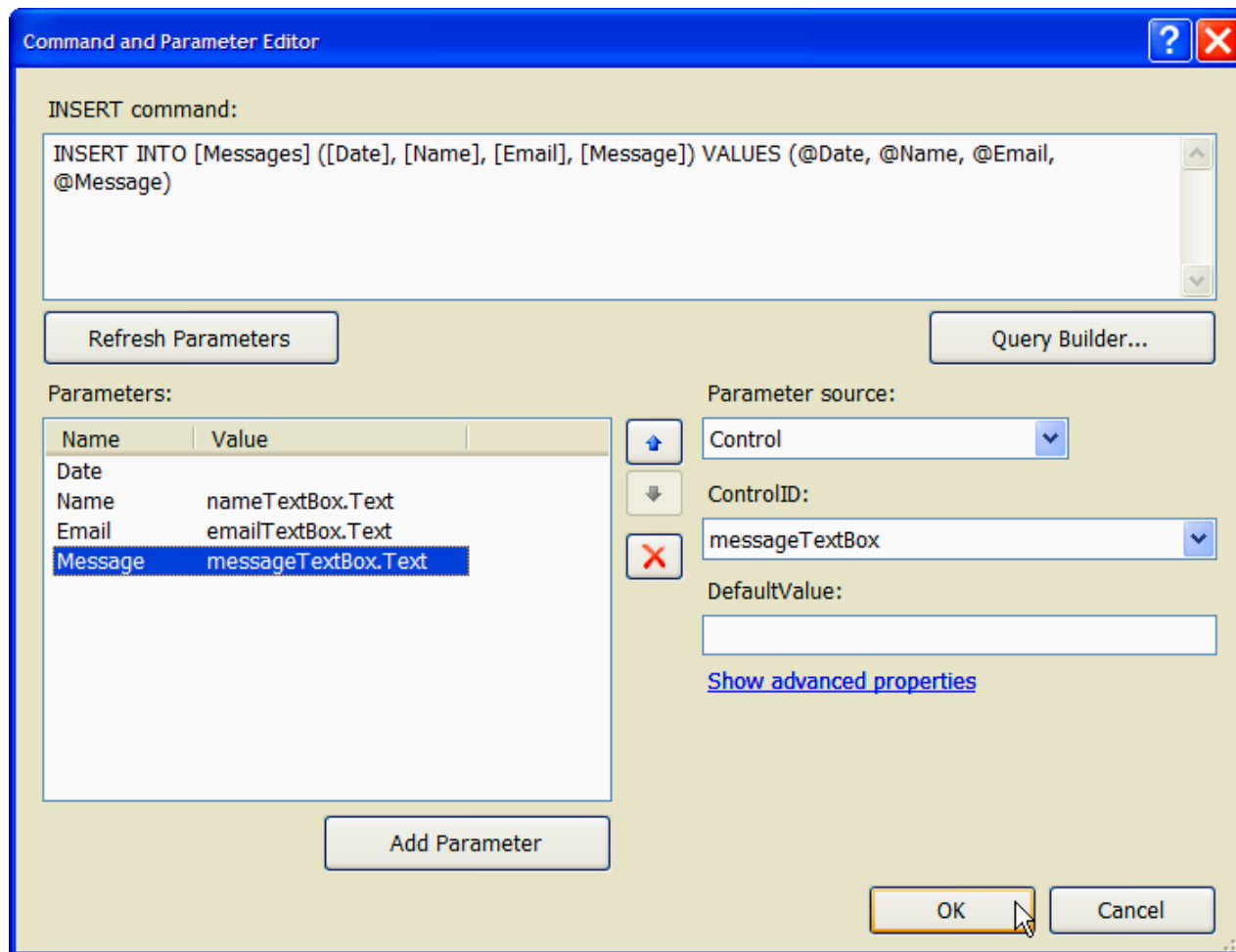


Fig. 25.36 | Setting up **INSERT** parameters based on control values.

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```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.37: Guestbook.aspx --%>
2 <!-- Guestbook web application with a form for users to submit --%>
3 <!-- guestbook entries and a GridView to view existing entries. --%>
4 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
5     CodeFile="Guestbook.aspx.vb" Inherits="Guestbook" %>
6
7 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
8     "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
9
10 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
11 <head runat="server">
12     <title>Guestbook</title>
13 </head>
14 <body>
15     <form id="form1" runat="server">
16     <div>
17         <h2>
18             Please leave a message in our guestbook:</h2>
19         <table>
20             <tr>
21                 <td style="width: 130px; height: 21px" valign="top">
22                     Your name:<br />
23                 </td>
24                 <td style="width: 300px; height: 21px" valign="top">
25                     <asp:TextBox ID="nameTextBox" runat="server"
26                         width="300px"></asp:TextBox>
27                 </td>
28             </tr>

```



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```
29 <tr>
30   <td style="width: 130px" valign="top">
31     Your e-mail address:<br />
32   </td>
33   <td style="width: 300px" valign="top">
34     <asp:TextBox ID="emailTextBox" runat="server"
35       width="300px"></asp:TextBox>
36   </td>
37 </tr>
38 <tr>
39   <td style="width: 130px" valign="top">
40     Tell the world:<br />
41   </td>
42   <td style="width: 300px" valign="top">
43     <asp:TextBox ID="messageTextBox" runat="server"
44       Height="100px" Rows="8" Width="300px">
45     </asp:TextBox>
46   </td>
47 </tr>
48 <tr>
49   <td style="width: 130px" valign="top">
50   </td>
51   <td style="width: 300px" valign="top">
52     <asp:Button ID="submitButton" runat="server"
53       Text="Submit" />
54     <asp:Button ID="clearButton" runat="server"
55       Text="Clear" />
56   </td>
```



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```

57 </tr>
58 </table>
59 <br />
60 <asp:GridView ID="messagesGridView" runat="server"
61     AutoGenerateColumns="False" CellPadding="4"
62     DataKeyNames="MessageID" DataSourceID="messagesSqlDataSource"
63     ForeColor="#333333" GridLines="None" width="600px">
64     <FooterStyle BackColor="#1C5E55" Font-Bold="True"
65         ForeColor="White" />
66     <Columns>
67         <asp:BoundField DataField="Date" HeaderText="Date"
68             SortExpression="Date" />
69         <asp:BoundField DataField="Name" HeaderText="Name"
70             SortExpression="Name" />
71         <asp:BoundField DataField="Email" HeaderText="Email"
72             SortExpression="Email" />
73         <asp:BoundField DataField="Message" HeaderText="Message"
74             SortExpression="Message" />
75     </Columns>
76     <RowStyle BackColor="#E3EAEB" />
77     <EditRowStyle BackColor="#7C6F57" />
78     <SelectedRowStyle BackColor="#C5BBAF" Font-Bold="True"
79         ForeColor="#333333" />
80     <PagerStyle BackColor="#666666" ForeColor="White"
81         HorizontalAlign="Center" />
82     <HeaderStyle BackColor="#1C5E55" Font-Bold="True"
83         ForeColor="White" />
84     <AlternatingRowStyle BackColor="White" />
85 </asp:GridView>

```

Declare the **GridView** control

Identifies the data source that is used to fill the **GridView** with data at runtime

Properties that set various aspects of the **GridView**'s appearance and behavior

Define the columns that appear in the **GridView**

Each **BoundField** represents a column



```

86 <asp:SqlDataSource ID="messagesSqlDataSource" runat="server"
87     connectionString="<%= $ ConnectionStrings:ConnectionString %>"
88     DeleteCommand="DELETE FROM [Messages] WHERE [MessageID] =
89         @MessageID" InsertCommand="INSERT INTO [Messages]
90         ([Date], [Name], [Email], [Message])
91         VALUES (@Date, @Name, @Email, @Message)"
92     SelectCommand="SELECT * FROM [Messages]" UpdateCommand=
93         "UPDATE [Messages] SET [Date] = @Date, [Name] = @Name,
94         [Email] = @Email, [Message] = @Message
95         WHERE [MessageID] = @MessageID">
96 <DeleteParameters>
97     <asp:Parameter Name="MessageID" Type="Int32" />
98 </DeleteParameters>
99 <UpdateParameters>
100     <asp:Parameter Name="Date" Type="String" />
101     <asp:Parameter Name="Name" Type="String" />
102     <asp:Parameter Name="Email" Type="String" />
103     <asp:Parameter Name="Message" Type="String" />
104     <asp:Parameter Name="MessageID" Type="Int32" />
105 </UpdateParameters>
106 <InsertParameters>
107     <asp:Parameter Name="Date" Type="String" />
108     <asp:ControlParameter ControlID="nameTextBox" Name="Name"
109         PropertyName="Text" Type="String" />
110     <asp:ControlParameter ControlID="emailTextBox" Name="Email"
111         PropertyName="Text" Type="String" />
112     <asp:ControlParameter ControlID="messageTextBox"
113         Name="Message" PropertyName="Text" Type="String" />
114 </InsertParameters>

```

Define a
SqlDataSource
control

Indicates the connection
through which the
SqlDataSource control
interacts with the database

Parameters that are set
programmatically

Indicates the control from which
the parameter gets its value

Specifies the property that
contains the actual value to be
used as the parameter value

Parameters that obtain their
values from controls

```

115     </asp:SqlDataSource>
116 </div>
117 </form>
118</body>
119</html>

```

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Please leave a message in our guestbook:

Your name:

Your e-mail address:

Tell the world:

Date	Name	Email	Message
5/17/2005	Bob Green	bgreen@bug2bug.com	Great site!
5/17/2005	Sue Black	sblack@bug2bug.com	I love the site! Keep up the good work!
5/18/2005	Liz White	lwhite@bug2bug.com	Very useful information. Will visit again soon.



25.5.2 Modifying the Code-Behind File for the Guestbook Application

- **SqlDataSource**
 - **InsertParameters collection**
 - **Contains an item corresponding to each parameter in the SqlDataSource's INSERT command**
 - **Insert method**
 - **Executes the control's INSERT command against the database**
- **GridView method DataBind**
 - **Refreshes the information displayed in the GridView**



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Guestbook.aspx.vb

```

1 ' Fig. 25.38: Guestbook.aspx.vb
2 ' Code-behind file that defines event handlers for the guestbook.
3 Partial Class Guestbook
4     Inherits System.Web.UI.Page
5
6     ' Submit Button adds a new guestbook entry to the database,
7     ' clears the form and displays the updated list of guestbook entries
8     Protected Sub submitButton_Click(ByVal sender As Object, _
9         ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles submitButton.Click
10         ' create a date parameter to store the current date
11         Dim currentDate As New System.Web.UI.WebControls.Parameter( _
12             "Date", TypeCode.String, DateTime.Now.ToShortDateString())
13
14         ' set the @Date parameter to the date parameter
15         messagesSqlDataSource.InsertParameters.RemoveAt(0)
16         messagesSqlDataSource.InsertParameters.Add(currentDate)
17
18         ' execute an INSERT SQL statement to add a new row to the
19         ' Messages table in the Guestbook database that contains the
20         ' current date and the user's name, e-mail address and message
21         messagesSqlDataSource.Insert()

```

Assign a String representation of the current date to a new object of type Parameter

Remove the Date item in the InsertParameters collection

Add our Date parameter

Executes the INSERT command against the database: add a row to the Messages table



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```
22
23 ' clear the TextBoxes
24 nameTextBox.Text = ""
25 emailTextBox.Text = ""
26 messageTextBox.Text = ""
27
28 ' update the GridView with the new database table contents
29 messagesGridView.DataBind()
30 End Sub ' submitButton_Click
31
32 ' Clear Button clears the web Form's TextBoxes
33 Protected Sub clearButton_Click(ByVal sender As Object, _
34     ByVal e As System.EventArgs) Handles clearButton.Click
35     nameTextBox.Text = ""
36     emailTextBox.Text = ""
37     messageTextBox.Text = ""
38 End Sub ' clearButton_Click
39 End Class ' Guestbook
```



25.6.1 Examining the Completed Secure Books Database Application

- **Form authentication**

- Protect a page so that only users known to the site can access it

- **Example of visual inheritance:**

- Master page defines common GUI elements that are inherited by each page in a set of content pages



25.8.2 Creating the Secure Books Database Application

- **Step 1: Creating the Web Site**
- **Step 2: Setting Up the Web Site's Folders**
- **Step 3: Configuring the Application's Security Settings (Fig. 25.46-50)**
 - Access rule grants or denies access to a particular Web application directory for a specific user
- **Step 4: Examining the Auto-Generated Web.config Files**
 - authorization element indicates who is authorized to access a folder over the Web
 - mode attribute species that we want to use forms authentication
 - deny element specifies the users to whom we wish to deny access
- **Step 5: Creating a Master Page (Fig. 25.51-53)**
 - Master directive specifies that this file defines a master page
 - script element stores the code that is usually in the code behind file
 - ContentPlaceHolder control serves as a placeholder for content that will be defined



25.6.2 Creating the Secure Books Database Application (Cont.)

- **Step 6: Creating a Content Page (Fig. 25.54-55)**
 - Content control will place page-specific content that will replace the master page's `ContentPlaceHolder`
- **Step 7: Adding a CreateUserWizard Control to a Content Page (Fig. 25.56)**
- **Step 8: Creating a Login Page (Fig. 25.57)**
 - ASP.NET writes an encrypted cookie containing data about an authenticated user
 - Authenticated user is redirected to the page specified by the `Login` control's `DestinationPageUrl` property
- **Step 9: Creating a Content Page That Only Authenticated Users Can Access**
- **Step 10: Customizing the Secure Page**
 - `LoginName` control displays the current authenticated user name



25.6.2 Creating the Secure Books Database Application (Cont.)

- **Step 11: Connecting the CreateUserWizard and Login Controls to the Secure Page**
- **Step 12: Generating a DataSet Based on the Books.mdf Database**
 - `ObjectDataSource` encapsulates an object that provides access to a data source
- **Step 13: Creating and Configuring an AuthorTableAdapter (Fig. 25.58)**
- **Step 14: Creating and Configuring a TitleTableAdapter (Fig. 25.59-60)**



25.6.2 Creating the Secure Books Database Application (Cont.)

- **Step 15: Adding a DropDownList Containing Authors' First and Last Names (Fig. 25.61-63)**
 - A business object is an object that accesses data through another object
 - DropDownList's AutoPostBack property indicates that a postback occurs each time the user selects an item
- **Step 16: Creating a GridView to Display the Selected Author's Books (Fig. 25.64-65)**
 - Enable Sorting causes the column headings in the GridView to turn into hyperlinks that allow users to sort the data
 - Enable Paging causes the GridView to split across multiple pages
 - PageSize property determines the number of entries per page
- **Step 17: Examining the Markup in Books.aspx (Fig. 25.66)**



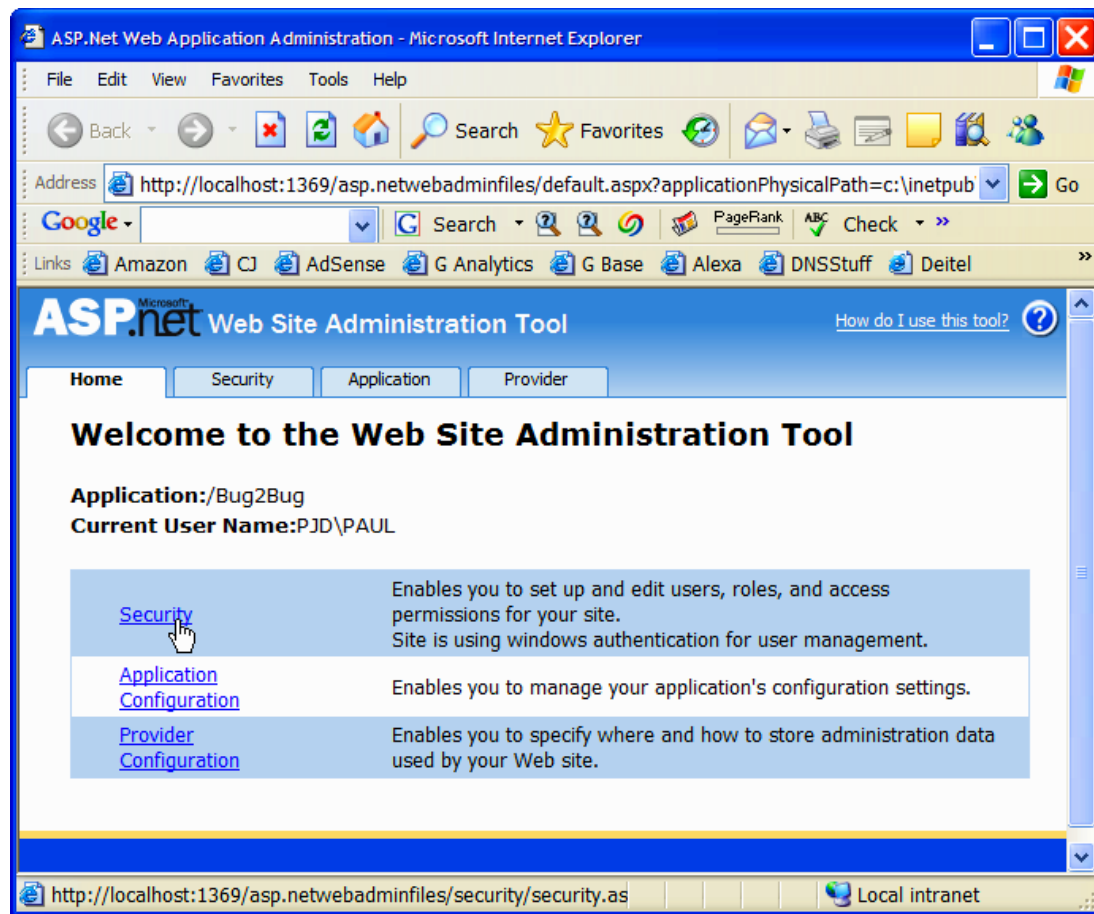


Fig. 25.46 | Web Site Administration Tool for configuring a web application.

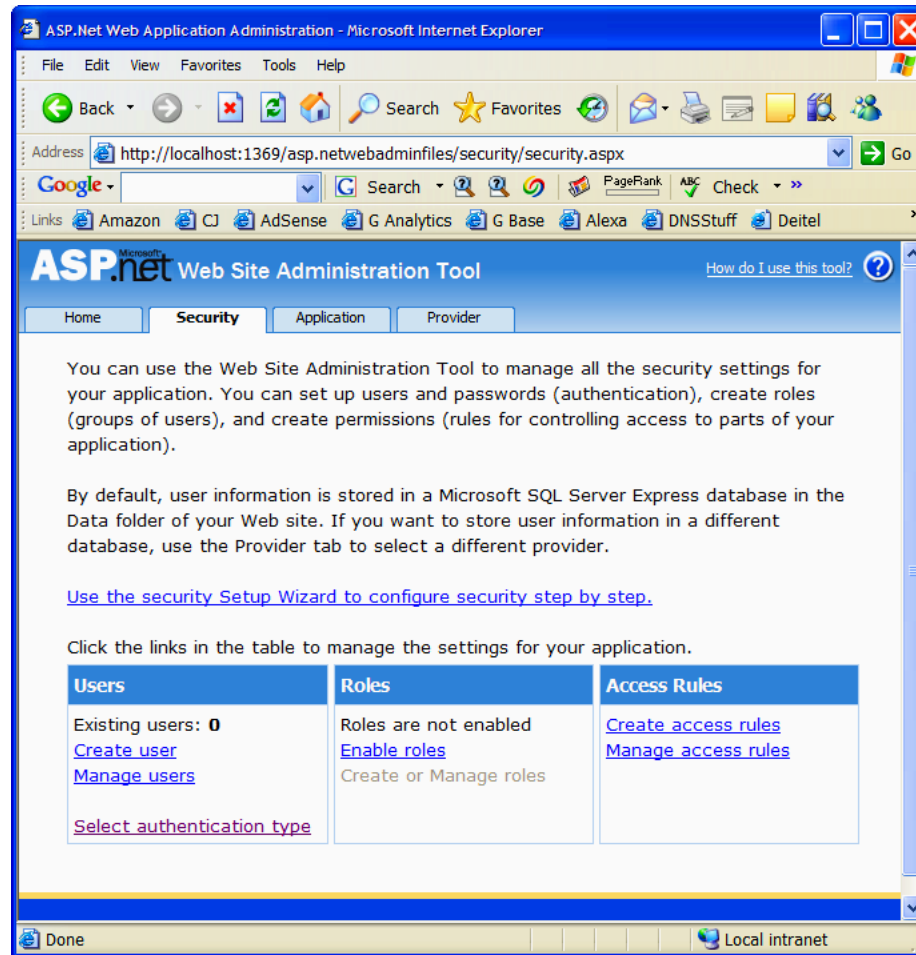


Fig. 25.49 | Main page of the **Web Site Administration Tool** after enabling forms authentication.

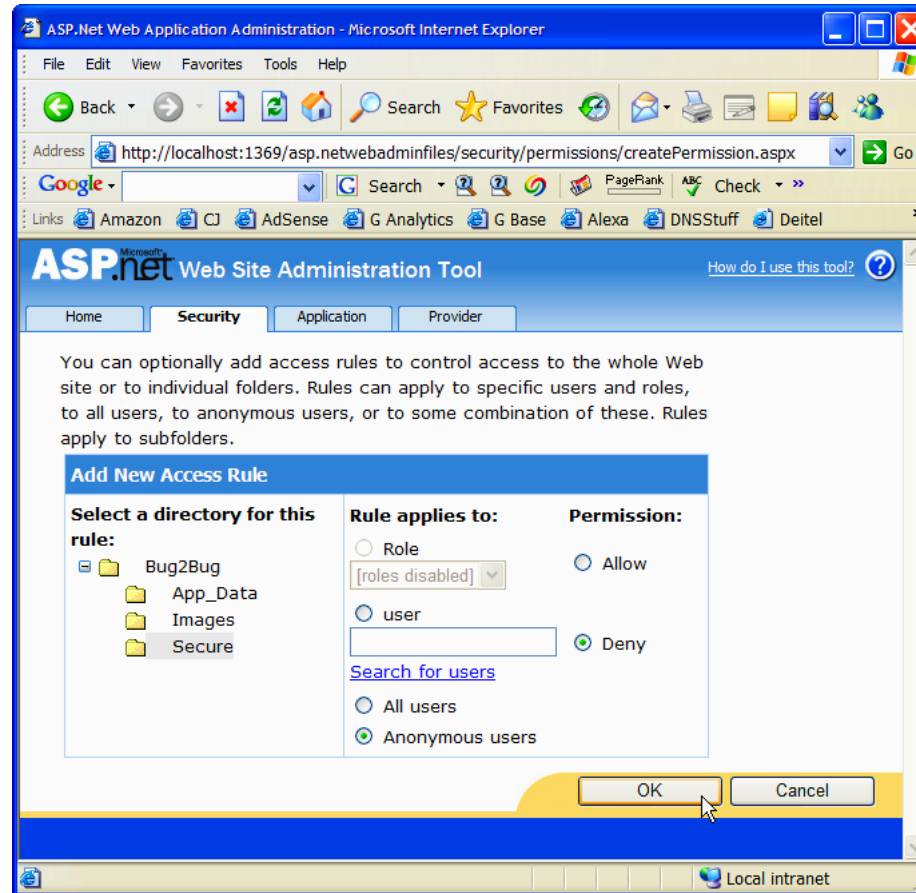


Fig. 25.50 | Add New Access Rule page used to configure directory access.

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```
1 <!-- Fig. 25.53: Bug2bug.master --%>
2 <!-- Master page that defines common features of all pages in the --%>
3 <!-- secure book database application. --%>
4 <%@ Master Language="VB" %>
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
7   "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
8
9 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
10 <head runat="server">
11   <title>Bug2Bug</title>
12 </head>
13 <body>
14   <form id="form1" runat="server">
15     <div>
16       <table border="0" cellpadding="0" cellspacing="0"
17         style="width: 100%; height: 100%">
18         <tr>
19           <td height="130" style="width: 887px">
20             <asp:Image ID="headerImage" runat="server"
21               ImageUrl="~/Images/bug2bug.png" />
22           </td>
23         </tr>
```

Specify the language is VB

Display logo picture



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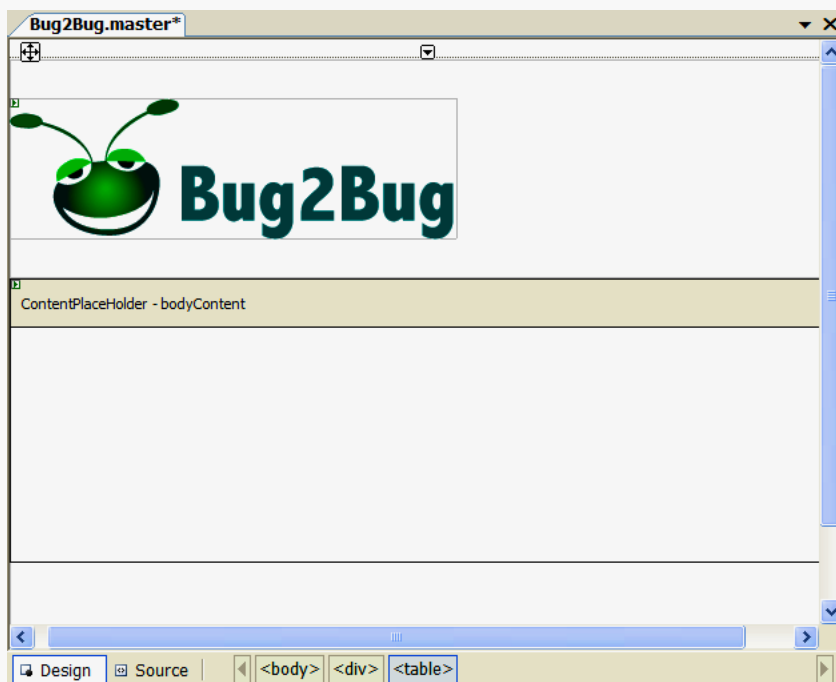
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```

24     <tr>
25         <td style="width: 887px" valign="top">
26             <asp:contentplaceholder id="bodyContent" runat="server">
27                 </asp:contentplaceholder>
28         </td>
29     </tr>
30 </table>
31 &nbsp;
32 </div>
33 </form>
34 </body>
35 </html>

```

Define a
ContentPlaceHolder
control



```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.56: CreateNewUser.aspx -->
2 <!-- Content page using a CreateUserWizard control to register
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" MasterPageFile="~/Bug2Bug.master"
4     Title="Create a New User" %>
5 <asp:Content ID="Content1" ContentPlaceHolderID="bodyContent"
6     Runat="Server">
7     <asp:CreateUserWizard ID="CreateUserWizard1" runat="server"
8         BackColor="#F7F6F3" BorderColor="#E6E2D8" BorderStyle="Solid"
9         BorderWidth="1px" Font-Names="Verdana" Font-Size="0.8em"
10        ContinueDestinationPageUrl="~/Secure/Books.aspx">
11     <WizardSteps>
12         <asp:CreateUserWizardStep runat="server">
13         </asp:CreateUserWizardStep>
14         <asp:CompleteWizardStep runat="server">
15         </asp:CompleteWizardStep>
16     </WizardSteps>
17     <SideBarStyle BackColor="#5D7B9D" BorderWidth="0px"
18         Font-Size="0.9em" VerticalAlign="Top" />
19     <TitleTextStyle BackColor="#5D7B9D" Font-Bold="True"
20         ForeColor="white" />

```

Specify language, master page, and title

Replaces the master page's
ContentPlaceHolder

.aspx

Contains several properties
that specify formatting
styles for the control

Encapsulate the details of
creating a user and issuing
a confirmation message

Elements that define additional
styles used to format specific
parts of the control



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```
21 <SidebarButtonStyle BorderWidth="0px" Font-Names="Verdana"
22     ForeColor="white" />
23 <NavigationButtonStyle BackColor="#FFFBFF" BorderColor="#CCCCCC"
24     BorderStyle="Solid" BorderWidth="1px" Font-Names="Verdana"
25     ForeColor="#284775" />
26 <HeaderStyle BackColor="#5D7B9D" BorderStyle="Solid"
27     Font-Bold="True" Font-Size="0.9em"
28     ForeColor="white" HorizontalAlign="Center" />
29 <CreateUserButtonStyle BackColor="#FFFBFF" BorderColor="#CCCCCC"
30     BorderStyle="Solid" BorderWidth="1px" Font-Names="Verdana"
31     ForeColor="#284775" />
32 <ContinueButtonStyle BackColor="#FFFBFF" BorderColor="#CCCCCC"
33     BorderStyle="Solid" BorderWidth="1px" Font-Names="Verdana"
34     ForeColor="#284775" />
35 <StepStyle BorderWidth="0px" />
36 </asp:CreateUserWizard>
37 </asp:Content>
```



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```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.57: Login.aspx -->
2 <!-- Content page using a Login control that authenticates users. -->
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" MasterPageFile="~/Bug2Bug.master" Title="Login" %>
4 <asp:Content ID="Content1" ContentPlaceHolderID="bodyContent"
5   Runat="Server">
6   <asp:Login ID="Login1" runat="server" BackColor="#F7F6F3"
7     BorderColor="#E6E2D8" BorderPadding="4" BorderStyle="Solid"
8     BorderWidth="1px" CreateUserText="Click here to create a new user"
9     CreateUserUrl="~/CreateNewUser.aspx" DisplayRememberMe="False"
10    Font-Names="Verdana" Font-Size="0.8em" ForeColor="#333333"
11    DestinationPageUrl="~/Secure/Books.aspx">
12     <TitleTextStyle BackColor="#5D7B9D" Font-Bold="True"
13       Font-Size="0.9em" ForeColor="White" />
14     <InstructionTextStyle Font-Italic="True" ForeColor="Black" />
15     <TextBoxStyle Font-Size="0.8em" />
16     <LoginButtonStyle BackColor="#FFFBFF" BorderColor="#CCCCCC"
17       BorderStyle="Solid" BorderWidth="1px" Font-Names="Verdana"
18       Font-Size="0.8em" ForeColor="#284775" />
19   </asp:Login>
20 </asp:Content>

```

Specify language, master page, and title

Replaces the master page's
ContentPlaceHolder

Create a Login control

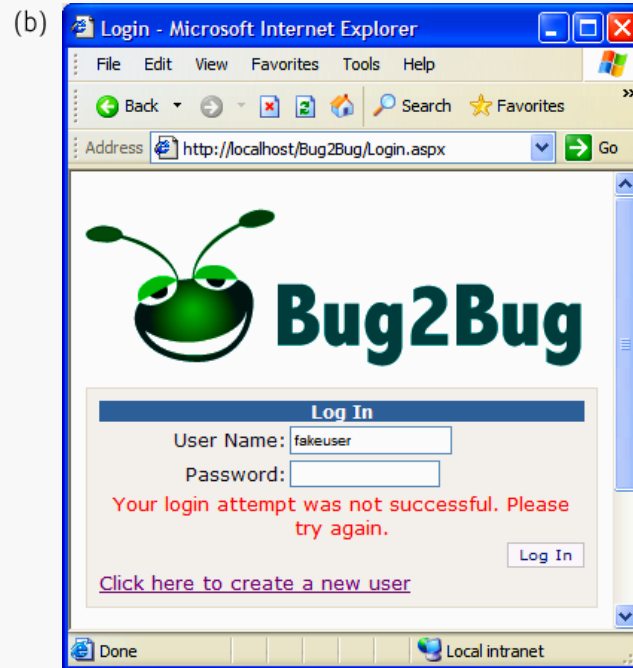
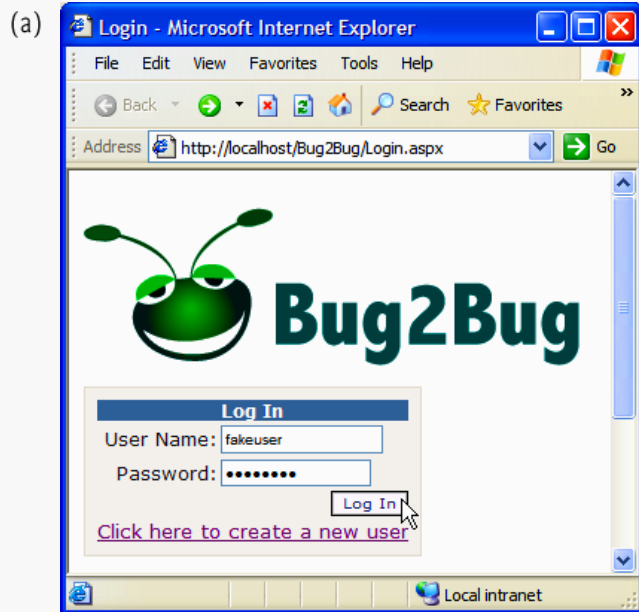
The elements define
various formatting
style applied to parts
of the control



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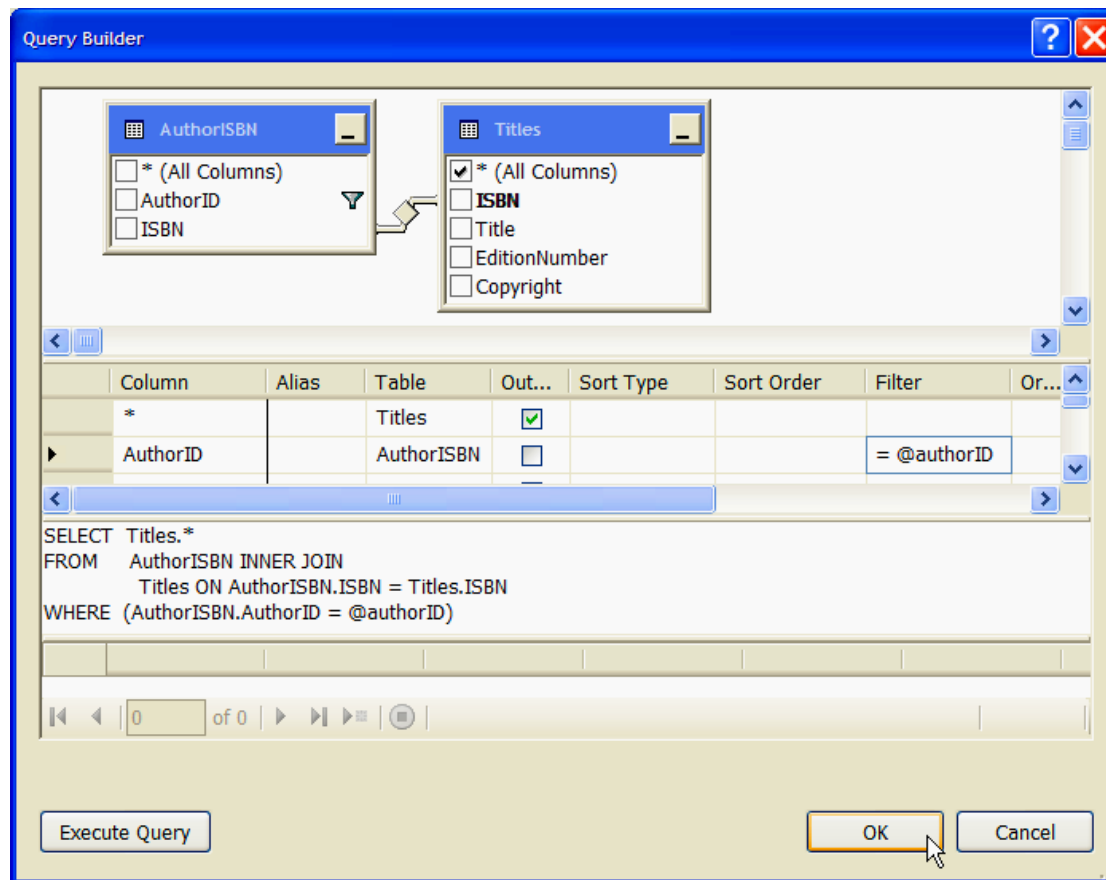


Fig. 25.59 | Query Builder for designing a query that selects books written by a particular author.

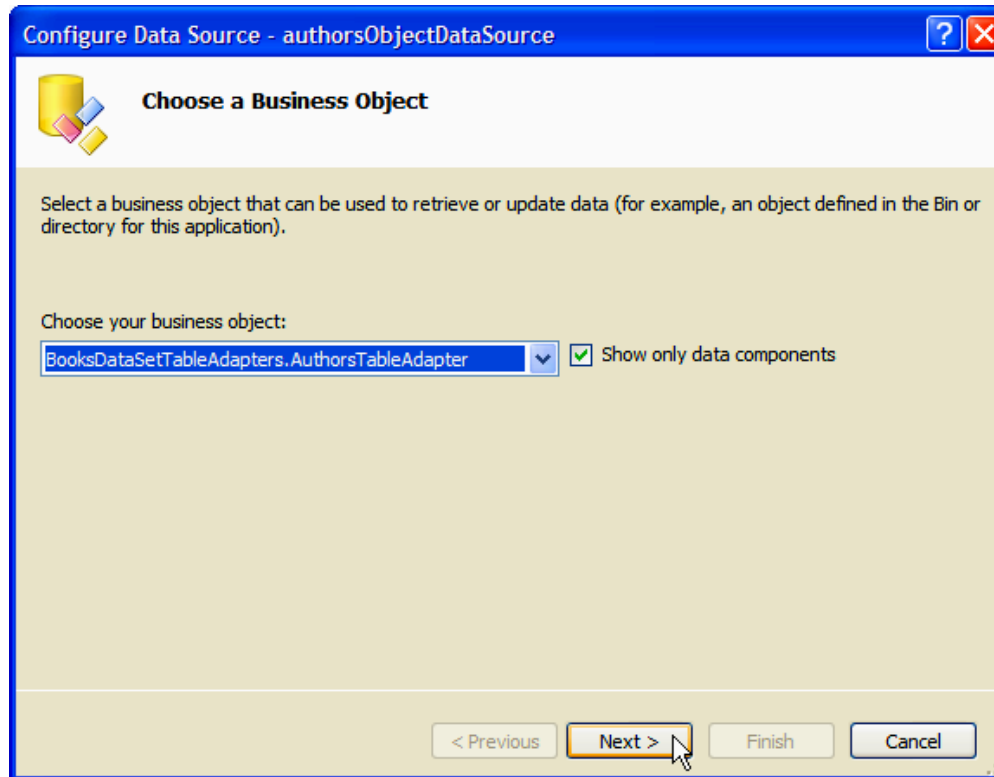


Fig. 25.61 | Choosing a business object for an **ObjectDataSource**.

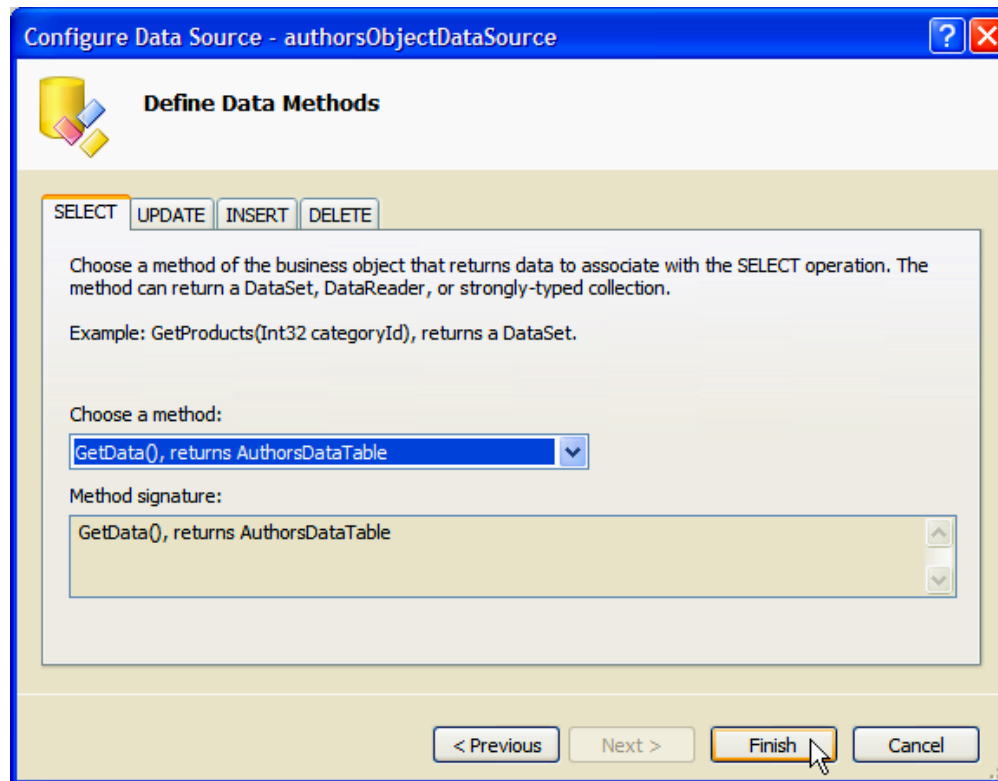


Fig. 25.62 | Choosing a data method of a business object for use with an **ObjectDataSource**.

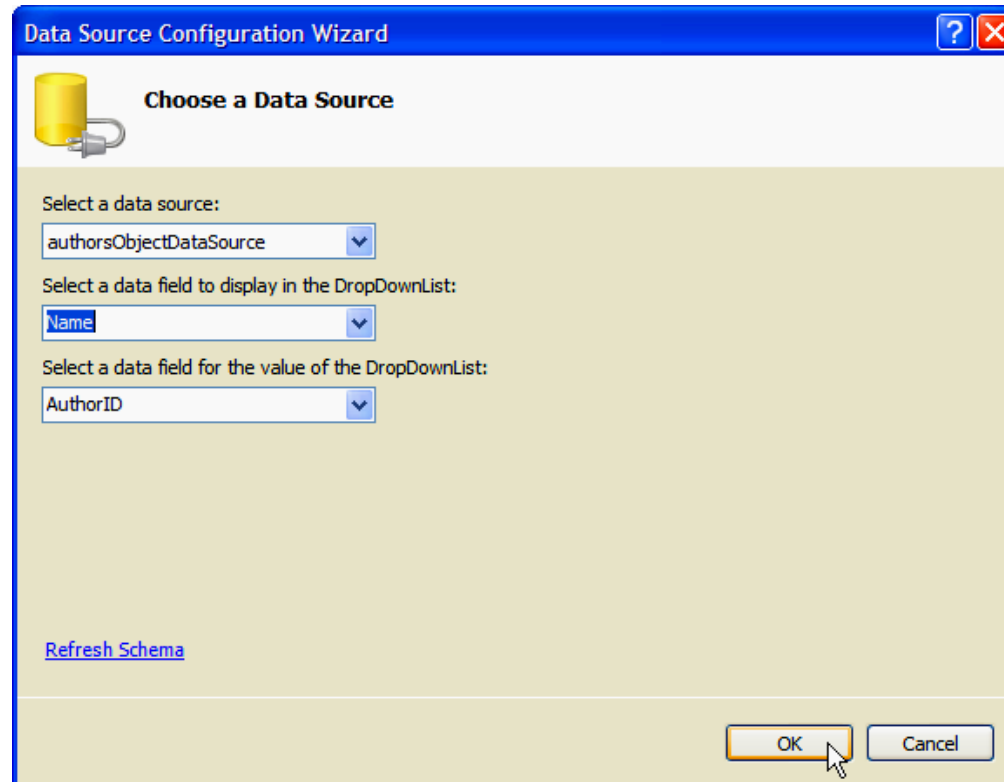


Fig. 25.63 | Choosing a data source for a **DropDownList**.

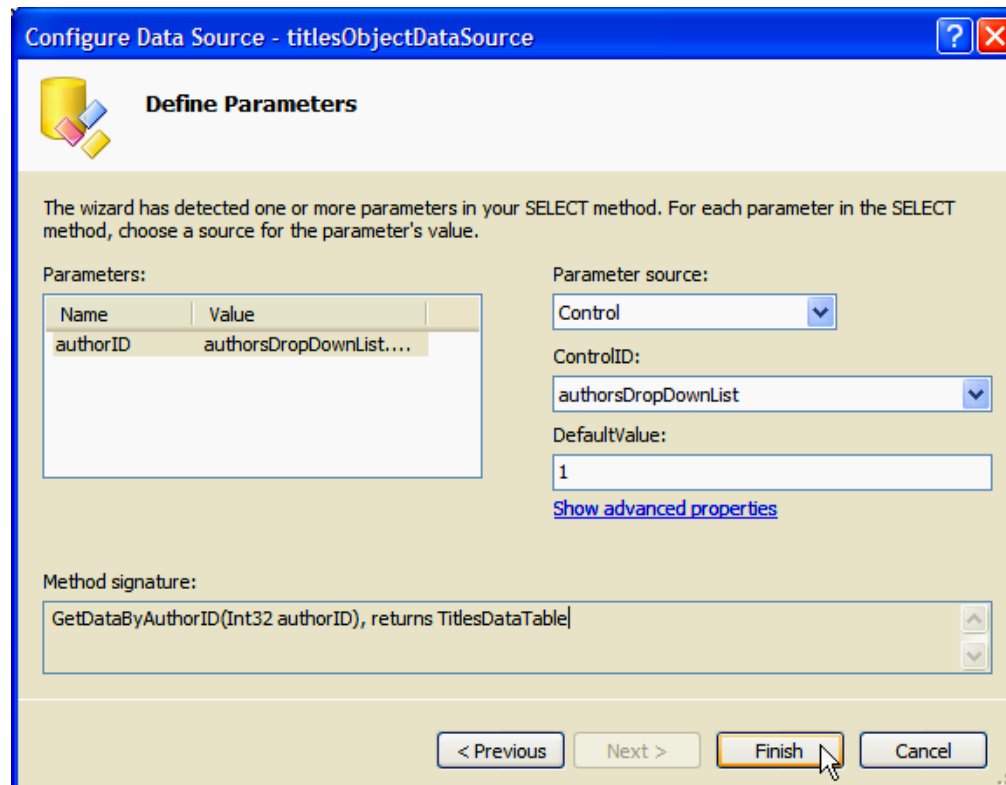


Fig. 25.64 | Choosing the data source for a parameter in a business object's data method.

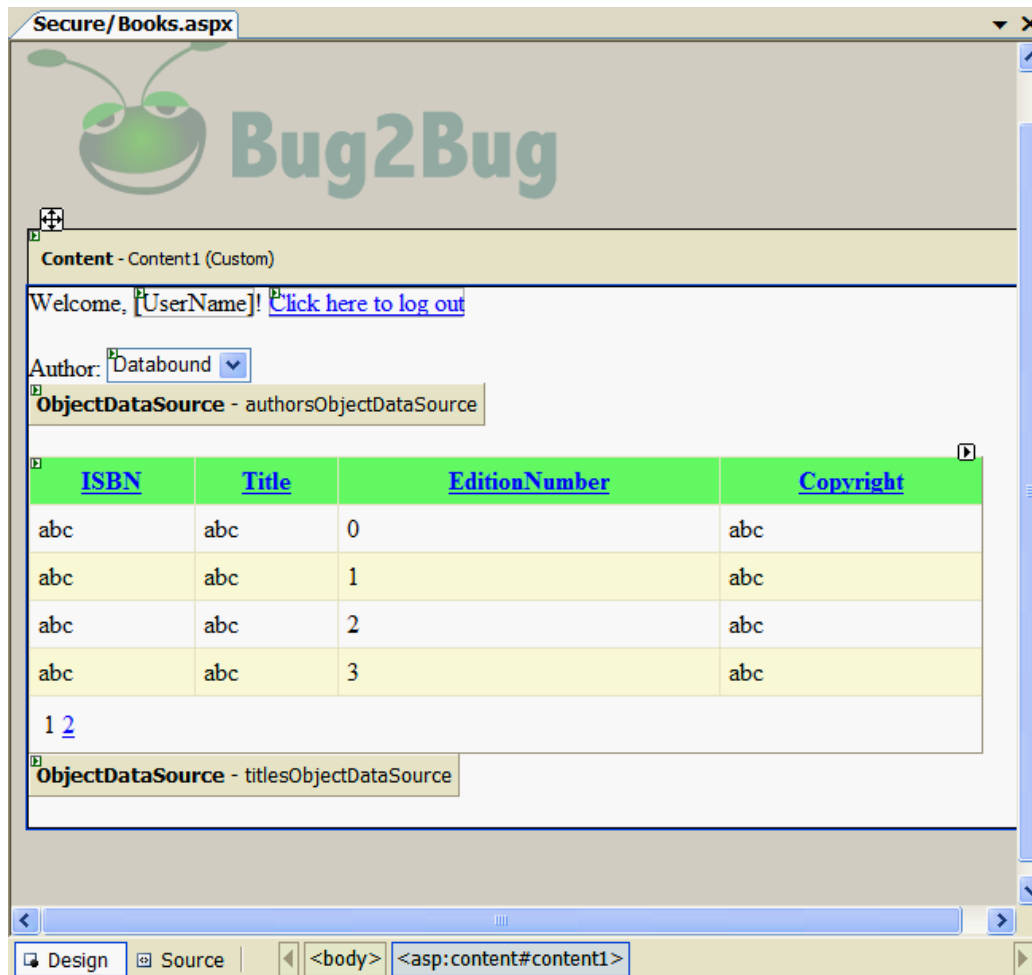


Fig. 25.65 | Completed **Books.aspx** in **Design** mode.



```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.66: Books.aspx -->
2 <!-- Displays information from the Books database. -->
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" MasterPageFile="~/Bug2Bug.master"
4     Title="Book Information" %>
5 <asp:Content ID="Content1" ContentPlaceHolderID="bodyContent"
6     Runat="Server">
7     welcome,
8     <asp:LoginName ID="LoginName1" runat="server" />!
9     <asp:LoginStatus ID="LoginStatus1" runat="server"
10         LogoutAction="RedirectToLoginPage"
11         LogoutText="Click here to log out" />
12 <br />
13 <br />
14 Author:
15 <asp:DropDownList ID="authorsDropDownList" runat="server"
16     AutoPostBack="True" DataSourceID="authorsObjectDataSource"
17     DataTextField="Name" DataValueField="AuthorID">
18 </asp:DropDownList>
19 <asp:ObjectDataSource ID="authorsObjectDataSource"
20     runat="server" OldValuesParameterFormatString="original_{0}"
21     SelectMethod="GetData"
22     TypeName="BooksDataSetTableAdapters.AuthorsTableAdapter">
23 </asp:ObjectDataSource>
24 <br />
25 <br />

```

Create a **LoginName** control;
displays the authenticated user's
name when the page is requested
and viewed in a browser

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Create a **LoginStatus** control; redirect
user to login page after logging out

Indicates that changing the
selected item in the list
causes a postback to occur

Specifies that this
ObjectDataSource
accesses the **Books** database
by calling **GetData** of
BooksDataSet's
AuthorsTableAdapter



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Create the GridView that displays information about the books written by the selected author

Define the ObjectDataSource used to fill the GridView with data

Specifies that the value of method GetDataByAuthorID's parameter comes from the SelectedValue property of authorsDropDownList

```

26 <asp:GridView ID="titlesGridView" runat="server" AllowPaging="True"
27   AllowSorting="True" AutoGenerateColumns="False" CellPadding="5"
28   DataKeyNames="ISBN" DataSourceID="titlesObjectDataSource"
29   PageSize="4" Width="600px">
30   <Columns>
31     <asp:BoundField DataField="ISBN" HeaderText="ISBN"
32       ReadOnly="True" SortExpression="ISBN" />
33     <asp:BoundField DataField="Title" HeaderText="Title"
34       SortExpression="Title" />
35     <asp:BoundField DataField="EditionNumber"
36       HeaderText="EditionNumber" SortExpression="EditionNumber" />
37     <asp:BoundField DataField="Copyright" HeaderText="Copyright"
38       SortExpression="Copyright" />
39   </Columns>
40   <HeaderStyle BackColor="LightGreen" />
41   <AlternatingRowStyle BackColor="LightYellow" />
42 </asp:GridView>
43 <asp:ObjectDataSource ID="titlesObjectDataSource" runat="server"
44   OldValuesParameterFormatString="original_{0}"
45   SelectMethod="GetDataByAuthorID"
46   TypeName="BooksDataSetTableAdapters.TitlesTableAdapter">
47   <SelectParameters>
48     <asp:ControlParameter ControlID="authorsDropDownList"
49       DefaultValue="1" Name="authorID"
50       PropertyName="SelectedValue" Type="Int32" />
51   </SelectParameters>
52 </asp:ObjectDataSource>
53 </asp:Content>

```



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(a)

Book Information - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Back Forward Stop Home Search Favorites

Address <http://localhost/Bug2Bug/Secure/Books.aspx> Go

 **Bug2Bug**

Welcome, testuser1! [Click here to log out](#)

Author:

ISBN	Title	EditionNumber	Copyright
0131869000	Visual Basic 2005 How to Program	3	2006
0131525239	Visual C# 2005 How to Program	2	2006
0131483986	Java How to Program	6	2005
0131857576	C++ How to Program	5	2005

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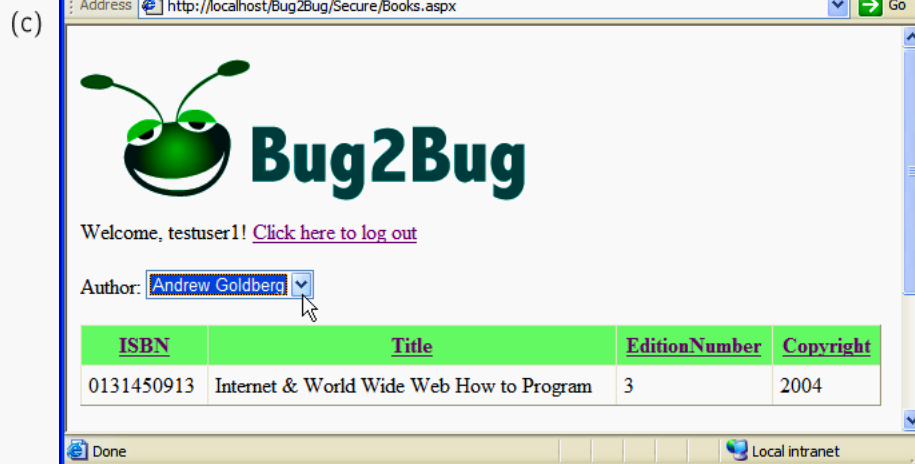
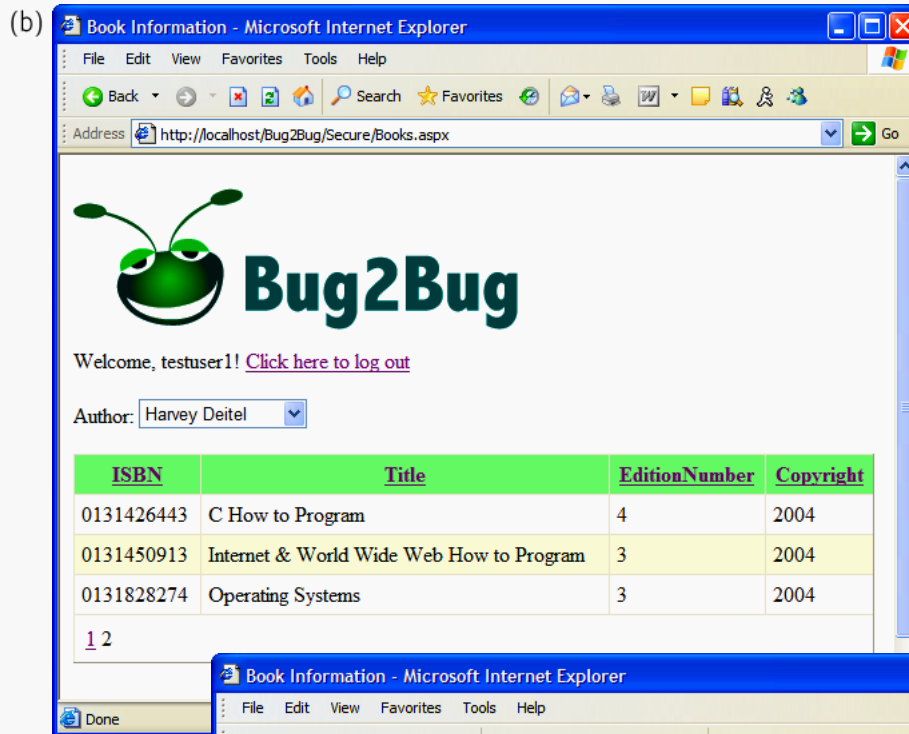
javascript:__doPostBack('ctl00\$bodyContent\$titlesGridView\$ctl07\$ctl02',) Local intranet



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25.7 ASP.NET Ajax

- **Quickly and easily add Ajax functionality to existing ASP.NET web applications**
- **www.asp.net/ajax/downloads**
- **The Ajax Extensions package implements basic Ajax functionality**
- **ASP.NET Ajax Control Toolkit contains rich, Ajax-enabled GUI controls**



25.7 ASP.NET Ajax (cont.)

- **Add the ASP.NET Ajax Control Toolkit controls to the Toolbox in Visual Web Developer (or Visual Studio)**
 - Right click the **Toolbox** and choose **Add Tab**
 - Type **Ajax Toolkit** in the new tab
 - Right click the tab and select **Choose Items**
 - Navigate to the folder in which you extracted the Ajax Control Toolkit and select **AjaxControlToolkit.dll** from the **SampleWebSite\Bin** folder
 - A list of available Ajax controls will appear under the **Ajax Toolkit** tab when you are in **Design** mode



25.7 ASP.NET Ajax (cont.)

- **Application was not initially set up to support Ajax functionality, so we must first modify the `web.config` file**
 - **Select `File > New Website...` to display the `New Website` dialog**
 - **Create an empty `ASP.NET Ajax-Enabled Website`**
 - **Open the `web.config` file in this new application and copy its contents**
 - **Open the `Validation` application and replace the contents of its `web.config` file with the contents of the `web.config` file you just copied**
 - **The new `web.config` file adds the `system.web.extensions`, `httpHandlers` and `httpModules` sections, which specify the settings for running scripts that enable Ajax functionality**
 - **To learn more about the details of these `web.config` modifications, visit**
www.asp.net/ajax/documentation/live/configuringASPNETAJAX.aspx



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```

1 <!-- Fig. 25.67: Validation.aspx -->
2 <!-- Validation application enhanced by ASP.NET Ajax. -->
3 <%@ Page Language="VB" AutoEventWireup="false"
4   CodeFile="Validation.aspx.vb" Inherits="Validation" %>
5 <%@ Register Assembly="AjaxControlToolkit" Namespace="AjaxControlToolkit"
6   TagPrefix="ajax" %>
7
8 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
9   "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
10
11 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" >
12 <head runat="server">
13   <title>Demonstrating Validation Controls</title>
14 </head>
15 <body>
16   <form id="form1" runat="server">
17     <div>
18       <ajax:ToolkitScriptManager ID="ToolkitScriptManager1"
19         runat="server">
20       </ajax:ToolkitScriptManager>
21       &nbsp;Please fill out the following form.<br /><em>All fields are
22       required and must contain valid information.</em><br /><br />
23       <table>
24         <tr>
25           <td style="width: 100px" valign="top">
26             Name:</td>

```

Make Ajax toolkit available to the application

Bundles the scripts for the toolkits controls



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```

27 <td style="width: 450px" valign="top">
28     <asp:TextBox ID="nameTextBox" runat="server">
29     </asp:TextBox>
30     <br />
31     <asp:RequiredFieldValidator
32         ID="nameInputValidator" runat="server"
33         ControlToValidate="nameTextBox" Display="None"
34         ErrorMessage="Please enter your name.">
35     </asp:RequiredFieldValidator>
36     <ajax:ValidatorCalloutExtender ID="nameInputCallout"
37         runat="server" TargetControlID="nameInputValidator"/>
38 </td>
39 </tr>
40 <tr>
41 <td style="width: 100px" valign="top">E-mail address
42 <td style="width: 450px" valign="top">
43     <asp:TextBox ID="emailTextBox" runat="server">
44     </asp:TextBox>
45     &nbsp;  e.g., user@domain.com<br />
46     <asp:RequiredFieldValidator
47         ID="emailInputValidator" runat="server"
48         ControlToValidate="emailTextBox" Display="None"
49         ErrorMessage="Please enter your e-mail address.">
50     </asp:RequiredFieldValidator>
51     <ajax:ValidatorCalloutExtender ID="emailInputCallout"
52         runat="server" TargetControlID="emailInputValidator"/>

```

Each of these displays error messages in yellow callouts next to the input field when necessary



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```

53     <asp:RegularExpressionValidator
54         ID="emailFormatValidator" runat="server"
55         ControlToValidate="emailTextBox" Display="None"
56         ErrorMessage=
57             "Please enter an e-mail address in a valid format."
58         ValidationExpression=
59             "\w+([-+.']\w+)*@\w+([-.\w+)*\.\w+([-.\w+)*">
60     </asp:RegularExpressionValidator>
61     <ajax:ValidatorCalloutExtender ID="emailFormatCallout"
62         runat="server"
63         TargetControlID="emailFormatValidator"/>
64 </td>
65 </tr>
66 <tr>
67     <td style="width: 100px; height: 21px" valign="top">
68         Phone number:</td>
69     <td style="width: 450px; height: 21px" valign="top">
70         <asp:TextBox ID="phoneTextBox" runat="server">
71         </asp:TextBox>
72         &nbsp; e.g., (555) 555-1234<br />
73         <asp:RequiredFieldValidator
74             ID="phoneInputValidator" runat="server"
75             ControlToValidate="phoneTextBox" Display="None"
76             ErrorMessage="Please enter your phone number.">
77         </asp:RequiredFieldValidator>
78         <ajax:ValidatorCalloutExtender ID="phoneInputCallout"
79             runat="server" TargetControlID="phoneInputValidator"/>

```



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Eliminates full page refreshes by enabling partial page refreshes

```

80     <asp:RegularExpressionValidator
81         ID="phoneFormatValidator" runat="server"
82         ControlToValidate="phoneTextBox" Display="None"
83         ErrorMessage=
84             "Please enter a phone number in a valid format."
85         ValidationExpression=
86             "((\(\d{3}\) ?)|(\d{3}-))?\d{3}-\d{4}">
87     </asp:RegularExpressionValidator>
88     <ajax:ValidatorCalloutExtender ID="PhoneFormatCallout"
89         runat="server"
90         TargetControlID="phoneFormatValidator"/>
91 </td>
92 </tr>
93 </table>
94 <asp:UpdatePanel ID="UpdatePanel1" runat="server">
95     <ContentTemplate>
96         <asp:Button ID="submitButton" runat="server" Text="Submit" />
97         <br /><br /><br />&nbsp;
98         <asp:Label ID="outputLabel" runat="server"
99             Text="Thank you for your submission." Visible="False">
100     </asp:Label>
101     </ContentTemplate>
102 </asp:UpdatePanel>
103 </div>
104 </form>
105 </body>
106 </html>

```



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a) The user enters an e-mail address in an incorrect format and presses *Tab* to move to the next input field. A callout appears informing the user to enter an e-mail address in a valid format.

Demonstrating Validation Controls - Windows Internet Explorer

http://localhost/Valida Google

Please fill out the following form.
All fields are required and must contain valid information.

Name:

E-mail address:  Please enter an e-mail address in a valid format.

Phone number:

e.g., (555) 555-1234

b) After the user fills out the form properly and clicks the **Submit** button, the submitted data is displayed at the bottom of the page with a partial page update.

Demonstrating Validation Controls - Windows Internet Explorer

http://localhost/Valida Google

Please fill out the following form.
All fields are required and must contain valid information.

Name:

E-mail address: e.g., user@domain.com

Phone number: e.g., (555) 555-1234

Thank you for your submission.
We received the following information:

Name: Bob White
E-mail address: bwhite@email.com
Phone number: 555-111-2222



Common Programming Error 25.1

Putting more than one instance of the `ScriptManager` control on a Web Form causes the application to throw an `InvalidOperationException` when the page is initialized.

