

Who is This Course For?

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Intention of this course

I wrote this course for those developers who are, or might be, in a situation I was in months ago...

“As an experienced C# programmer and enterprise architect, I found myself in a strange situation after 20 years of experience. Even if I worked on project teams that implemented big systems including satellite web sites, I was dropped behind those team members who started their professional life pretty close to the new generation—neat, asynchronous, dynamic, etc.—web page development. It took months to find the right way to be able to communicate with them and find the common language with them. During these months I read many books, blog posts, articles, and went through many small programming exercises to get into the picture. Well, I decided to create a series of booklets using my experiences—to help you cope with similar situations.”

At that time I wouldn't have thought that so many readers would buy my work. I decided to review it, change it to the current state of HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, and make it even simpler to work with the code samples.

If you worked on the server-side for a long time, or used only desktop UI technologies, this is the course you should read to get acquainted with HTML, CSS, and JavaScript in order to understand them quickly and keep up the race with youngsters.

If you're already a web developer who is familiar with these technologies, this course may help you to pass this knowledge to your team's new members who are novices in web UI.

About the author

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In the *next lesson*, we get a brief overview of what this course holds for us.

See you there!