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Tomes Of Delphi: WIN 32 CORE API Windows 2000



Synopsis

The Tomes of Delphi series from John Ayres is recognized as the definitive reference for Delphi programmers and developers. The first edition received rave reviews from industry publications as well as Inprice developers as being the Rosetta stone which forms the link between Delphi and the Windows API. The title retains its popular reference organization as well as the innovative help file on the CD.

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Customer Reviews

This has to be the worst technical book ever written. Note to John Ayres: you cannot write and you are no technical expert. You have no business being published. That you are is a testament to the sorry state of affairs in the land of Delphi. All the able writers and technical wizards have left for greener pastures. The problems with the book are many and varied: 1. There are holes big enough to drive a truck through in the coverage of the API. You'll get better coverage from just reading MSDN. 2. The examples are so simple as to be useless. They're the stupidest, most worthless code samples I've ever seen in a book. 3. The book is loaded with errors. Geez, there must be one on every page. There are typos as well as errors of fact. Many of the API call skeletons appear to come from an old version of MSDN and have not been updated to reflect recent advances (e.g., many fail to show recent Win2K-specific changes/parameters). 4. The narrative itself is simply unreadable. Whoever told John Ayres he had anything interesting to say on the subject of Delphi or that he was

qualified to do so ought to lose their job. There are problems with organization (stuff mentioned before it has been introduced), pace (pedantic detail on horrendously boring topics while glossing over the truly significant), and general ability to put two words together. I know high schoolers who write better than Ayres. All in all, this is the worst technical book I've ever had the misfortune to spend money on. I have already sent mine back for a refund.

When one reads the worthless pros expressed in Mr. Ayres latest manuscript, it causes one to contemplate how this dolt continues to be a published author. It is clear that based on his use of the English language that he is devoid of anything more than a High School diploma. It is sad to say that his command of Delphi appears to be equally as poor as his writing skills. The examples and sample code are so simplistic that they are literally worthless, and hardly expand on any topic in detail. I honestly think that the original "Delphi for Dummies" was a more informative and better-written book. It is clear that this latest book is yet another ego stroking manuscript of recycled work from his original books. Many of the API calls have not been updated and many of the samples are riddled with errors and are not syntactically correct for Windows 2000/XP. It simply staggers my imagination why Wordware continues to use Mr. Ayres as an author. When reviewing all of the Tomes books, it is clear that when Mr. Ayres split company with his co-authors the quality of the book went down considerably. Perhaps Wordware should get them to re-write this book and see which one sells better. Until then, go get Charles Petzold's API book. If you don't know C++ try DevGuru to get some help. They will gladly help translate the C++ calls to Delphi Syntax.

The Tomes series have been an invaluable tool to me, and I would highly suggest them to others.

You'd think the qualifications for writing a Delphi book would be 1) you must be a Delphi expert 2) you must write well. Well, I can tell you for sure that this guy doesn't meet either qualification. This is, without question, the worst programming book I have ever had the misfortune to buy. Ayres writes like a third grader. And the code is even worse. A person who'd never seen Delphi before could write this code. It is mostly warmed over MSDN example code converted to Pascal. Frankly, I'd be embarrassed to publish something like this. It's that bad.

A must have for all Delphi Programmers

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