

Re: What language should I use for a home project?

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rolandberry@hotmail.com (RolandRB) wrote in message news:<52970945.0410290501.30fc9bcb@posting.google.com>...

- > *The last time I wrote applications on my PC at home was about 20 years ago. I want to start doing this work again but times have moved on and software has changed and now I don't know what software to use. This will be a Windows application. What I am going to (try) to write is a jpeg fixing program that will have a Windows interface so that a person can point the application to a set of jpeg images and it will display them if they are OK and alert them if the jpeg is corrupted. For those corrupted images it will attempt to find the errors and correct them. So obviously the application will need to decode and display images from jpegs. Also to be able to read files in byte by byte and store sections of the file data in arrays.*
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- > *What would I use for this sort of application now? It will not be web based or distributed. It will just reside on a single PC. I will be designing it and writing it myself and it will never grow into an application with more than one programmer working on it. I would guess Visual Basic but then this seems to have been swept away but Visual C++ and C# and .NET . But I want to keep it as simple as possible because there will just be me working on it. I want to be able to start producing things as quickly as possible so I don't want to learn a host of things I will never use. What software should I use for this?*
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- > *Feel free to e-mail me with your suggestions.*
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- > *Thanks in advance,*
- > *Roland*

Thanks for your replies. I've been looking around at available software and it strikes me that Visual C# 2005 Express is the sort of thing I have been expecting to find as my next all-encompassing language for developing applications for PCs. I do not see a price for this anywhere though but I guess it will not be expensive (<100 dollars perhaps)? I know nobody suggested it but it looks at though I

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could perhaps interface with other software using it. Would I be right in thinking that? Also, I know that the most stupid questions are the ones that never get asked so here goes – if I use this language then I might want to develop interactive training courses on Unix for it. Would it be possible to get a Visual C# 2005 Express application (with whatever extra software is required) to submit commands to a Unix session and retrieve the results?