

# Re: Free Ruby eBook

---

*Source:* <http://coding.derkeiler.com/Archive/General/comp.programming/2006-06/msg00737.html>

---

- *From:* Nelu <[spamahead@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:spamahead@xxxxxxxxxx)>
  - *Date:* 20 Jun 2006 15:13:27 +0000
- 

[blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx) <[blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> writes:

In article <[b1v8xns3ewe.fsf@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:b1v8xns3ewe.fsf@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)>, Nelu <[spamahead@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:spamahead@xxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

[blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx) <[blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:blmblm@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> writes:

[snip]

Thanks, but that really wasn't my point --- I was thinking more along the lines of "how can I help make PostScript a more widely-used format?"

Ok, I guess I missed the point. I know of only one viewer for Windows (GSView). Who do you want to make it more popular for, everybody or students and scientists?

Good question. Probably "students and scientists" covers almost all people who would be likely to have an interest in what I Web-publish, but if switching from PDF to PostScript is meant as a political statement of sorts, then I guess the answer is "everybody".

Only one viewer for Windows, huh? Wow. Well, one is enough, I guess, and that makes it easy ....

I found another one, but I have no idea how it is (<http://www.rops.org/>). I use gsview under Windows and there are a lot of choices on UNIX. I think people favor pdf also for being smaller. I know that ps files were usually provided as gzipped files (<filename>.ps.gz) to make them smaller. There is another format that minimizes the size of a file for online viewing, it's called DJVU and

Re: Free Ruby eBook

the software is available as both a browser plugin and as a standalone application <http://www.djvuzone.org/>. I don't use it because I don't think that it's too widespread.

--

Ioan – Ciprian Tandau  
tandau\_at\_freeshell\_dot\_org (hope it's not too late)  
(... and that it still works...)

.