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ColdFusion MX With Dreamweaver MX



Synopsis

ColdFusion Application with Dreamweaver MX is written by leading expert, David Golden, Senior Technical Writer for the ColdFusion Server at Macromedia. Everything you need to know to get up-to-speed on creating ColdFusion MX Applications in Dreamweaver MX, in a no-frills, hands-on approach. Only book concentrating on developing ColdFusion MX with the visual tool of choice for creating ColdFusion applications: Dreamweaver MX. ColdFusion MX Applications with Dreamweaver MX will teach readers how to use Dreamweaver to build and maintain ColdFusion applications. It will use task-based tutorials that reside within the frameworks of two major sections: building a ColdFusion-powered site from scratch and transforming an existing static site into one that's dynamic and database-driven. In addition, because Dreamweaver uses Dreamweaver's visual development environment rather than a text-based scripting environment, this book will focus on using Dreamweaver to build ColdFusion applications rather than exhaustive explanations of CFML code.

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Customer Reviews

The best computer book I have every used. While that in itself is barely a compliment I have found this book incredibly useful and easy to understand. I almost never read computer books cover to cover but use them as a reference. While this book is a tutorial best followed front to back I find it easy to use as a reference. It is not hard to jump in right in the middle of chapter and pick up what is

being taught. I bought the book sight unseen in the hopes of learning 6 specific things. In only a week I have found that everything I wanted is either covered or provides enough background to use more advanced texts. Not an advanced book but for those that learn like me (jump in, start writing code and figure it out as you go) this book is fantastic.

If you are a beginner at ColdFusion, this is not necessarily the best book to buy. There are a number of typos and errors that can make it very difficult to follow along with the examples, both within the code and text. For example, in one exercise, you are instructed to open and update the wrong file. In another place, the code example refers to a .htm file when it should refer to a .cfm file. These are just a couple of examples. Since I have some familiarity with ColdFusion code, I was able to catch these errors for the most part and make the examples work. I think it would be very frustrating situation if you have no familiarity with CFML. On the bright side, I do feel I have gleaned some good information in terms of how to use the Dreamweaver MX environment to implement ColdFusion applications. Macromedia's Dreamweaver MX Dynamic Applications -advanced training from the source - is probably a better place to start if you like a tutorial-based learning source. Also, Macromedia ColdFusion MX Development with Dreamweaver MX Visual QuickPro Guide is pretty good for learning the ColdFusion features available in Dreamweaver MX.

As a designer that's learned to program, this book is fantastic. It explains CF in a simple, straightforward manner without all the extraneous techie-lingo that makes reading IT books such a headache. We all know databases are boring, so what I really like about this book is that it cuts right to the point with useful examples. It just makes sense.

A great book for reference and anyone who is learning cold fusion and or Dreamweaver MX. Since Dreamweaver MX is also the new defacto Cold Fusion studio, this book is a good cost effective way to learn the nuances of Dreamweaver MX and also have a reference book for Cold Fusion MX.

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