



## Introduction

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### About the Videos

- 1 Use the pause and re-wind buttons on the Windows Media Player controls to review information you may have missed. Alternately, you can use the following keyboard combinations to navigate through the videos using Windows Media Player:

Pause	<i>Ctrl+P</i>
Rewind	<i>Ctrl+Shift+B</i>
Fast Forward	<i>Ctrl+Shift+F</i>
Stop	<i>Ctrl+S</i>
Volume Up	<i>F10</i>
Volume Down	<i>F9</i>
Mute	<i>F8</i>

- 2 Our minds often work faster than an instructor can speak. If this is the case, you can adjust the playback speed, increasing it by as much as 25 to 30 percent. Select the following menu options: Play > Play Speed > Fast.

Alternately:

Fast	<i>Ctrl+Shift+G</i>
Normal	<i>Ctrl+Shift+N</i>
Slow	<i>Ctrl+Shift+S</i>

- 3 If you are having playback issues — for example, if the video looks fuzzy — there are a couple of things that you can do to improve performance:

<http://www.learnvisualstudio.net/VideoProblems.aspx>

**Note:** Members of LearnVisualStudio.NET have access to this series encoded in different formats which can eliminate most playback issues.

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## About the Study Guides

The study guides have one or two sections meant to help guide you as you watch the lessons.

**Important:** There are no guide “chapters” for the last four lessons ... in these lessons we are creating an entire application from start to finish. Please follow along by opening the source code for these lessons provided on Microsoft’s site.

### Active Participant

One study habit we’ve found effective with the videos is to formulate questions about the content BEFORE you begin watching it. Use the “Active Participant” section as a check list that you keep close while viewing the videos, checking off (or even writing in answers in the white space) for each of the questions. This keeps your mind attuned to what you are viewing, how it fits into the context of the video as a whole, and what significant information you should be focusing on during the course of the lesson.

### Exercises

The exercises are intended to be “homework” for you to stretch up to and beyond what you learned in the video lesson. Attempt these exercises on your own after you’ve watched the video.

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## Configuring, building and deploying a website

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### Active Participant

- 1 Understand the issues surrounding the purpose/use/importance of the web.config to store configuration settings. How do you create/use Application Settings?
- 2 What considerations should be made before choosing a hosting company for your web application. How do you deploy your files to the new site (using Visual Web Developer)?

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### Exercises

The solutions to these exercises can be viewed in the following video file:

[10 - Solution to Exercise in Study Guide for Lesson 10 \(VWD VB\).wmv](#)

available from the same place you downloaded this Study Guide.

- 1 Find a hosting company that specializes in free (or low-cost) ASP.NET 2.0 hosting (use a search engine, with the words "free asp.net 2.0 hosting" ... there are several) and deploy the student grades application to your new account.
- 2 Go build something cool! You're ready now ... volunteer to create an interactive website for a friend, relative, your company, your church, school, civic club, etc.