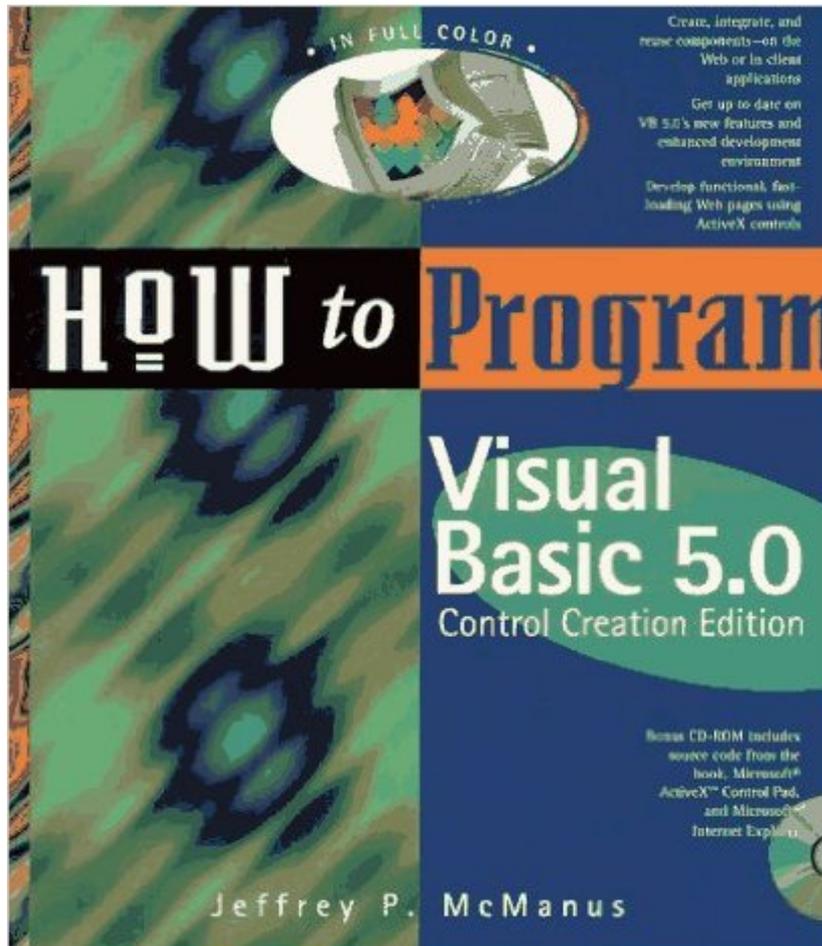# How To Program Visual Basic 5.0: Control Creation Edition

## Synopsis

Using a combination of graphic and textual elements, this text quickly introduces a non-programmer, or a programmer new to Internet development, to the basics of object-oriented Visual Basic application building for the desktop and the Internet.

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I suppose it should go without saying that a book about VB-5 Control Creation Edition would be a little beyond the level of introductory programming. After all, that software package was never intended for beginners as it was designed expressly for creating controls to be used in other programs. This isn't to say that a standard program can't be written with CCE and that it can't be used to learn the language, but that is not its purpose. Microsoft included a compiler that works only for controls creation and not for standard programs. Standard programs can be written and 'run' within the development ide, but cannot be compiled into executables for stand-alone use.The author takes a gradual approach to controls building, starting with some simple designs before tackling web and database access. This book won't make anyone a controls 'guru' but it will teach the fundamentals. After completing this book a person should have a solid understanding of controls and should be able to build on that foundation and create controls of their own design. There are certainly many more advanced books available, books that contain a lot more depth of material, but for someone trying to learn from the ground up they might prove to be a bit daunting.Well, here it is 2013 and Active-X is an old technology. And yet, Visual Basic 6.0 (and probably 5.0 as well) is still

hanging around doing valuable work for people who want an easy-to-program platform for rapidly deploying applications. I guess this means that Active-X isn't quite dead just yet and this book still has a purpose in life. For those interested, Microsoft pulled the plug on VB-5 CCE a few years ago and it has become rather hard to find nowadays. Some diligent searching on the web is almost guaranteed to result in a good download, though, so don't give up. If you already have VB-5 or VB-6 you can make use of this book without the CCE since both of those platforms include that functionality built in.

This book is a dream! It explains in a few, well written words what ActiveX controls are, how they differ from regular programs, and what are the parts that you must code to make them work. That means even though 5.0 was long ago and far away, it was still easy for me to create controls today because I understood what "parts" made up the "whole". This book is a thin book. It has been my experience that thin computer books are either garbage, or condensed jewels of knowledge that don't need a lot of words to get their point across. This book falls into the latter category.

However, I began to hit a brick wall with some of the examples (after the 5th chapter). Book assumes you know VB language, and that you just need to know how to use it to create activeX controls. Although it wasn't as helpful as I had hoped, I did give it 4 stars because a VB programmer WILL find this book useful. And the stuff that I could do made for some great learning about control creation.

Most of the book is about the VB IDE and a lot of the rest is about standard VB code. The sample controls are simplistic. You'd be better off using the online help and code samples that come with VB5 CCE.By the way, CD doesn't include VB5 CCE,so if you don't have it you prpbably will need to download it from Microsoft Site.

This book is essential for professional developers. Is easy to learn expert techniques.

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