

Read Me First! - Struts Community Resources

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Why we need Struts:

- The Problem with JSP by Jason Hunter - Critiques model 1 development
- Understanding JavaServer Pages Model 2 architecture by Govind Seshadri - Seminal article on model 2

From Ground Zero:

- Your First Cup of Java
- Getting Started
- Learning the Language
- *Optional*: Essential Classes

Core Prerequisites:

- The Java Tutorial - Trail: Collections
- The Java Tutorial - Trail: JavaBeans
- The Java Tutorial - Trail: Servlets

JSP/Taglib Prerequisites:

- The J2EE Tutorial - JavaServer Pages
- The J2EE Tutorial - JavaBeans Components in JSP Pages
- The J2EE Tutorial - Custom Tags in JSP Pages

Optional:

- *Optional*: The Java Tutorial - Trail: Internationalization
- *Optional*: The Java Tutorial - Trail: Reflection
 - Using Java Reflection
- *Optional*: The Java Tutorial - Trail: JDBC
- *Very Optional*: The Java API for Xml Processing (JAXP) Tutorial
- *Extra Credit*: The Java Language Specification
 - *Extra-Extra Credit*: The Java Language Environment - A White Paper

Struts Specific:

- Struts, an open-source MVC implementation -- Malcom Davis .

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- Developing Applications with Tomcat (*Even if you are using something else!*)
 - Welcome to the Struts Framework by Bluestone Software .
- Struts UserGuide
- Struts JavaDocs -- *a good read, really!*
- The Struts Catalog -- Recommended design patterns and strategies

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- Surveying the MVC Landscape - Contrasts other frameworks (including Struts) with Barracuda