Subject: Re: Chance for a Million!
Posted by btupper on Tue, 07 Jan 2003 14:58:25 GMT

On Mon, 06 Jan 2003 16:35:58 -0700, JD Smith <jdsmith@as.arizona.edu>
wrote:
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> I have to say I feel somewhat misrepresented in my caricatured
> diatribe against for loops. Perhaps suitable placement of the phrase
> "tongue in cheek" in the prologue would suffice to make it clear that,
> when it comes to looping in IDL, reason and experience, rather than
> blind devotion to a particular belief system, must be your faithful
> guides.
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Hi JD,

Well, now, hold on a minute; you can look at this another way. I
think that David has, perhaps, learned your lesson of pragmatism quite
well. At first he was going to loop through each article idea - but
now he's dabbling in an array based approach to producing articles -
parsing out the job in chunks!   The approach is efficient,
thoughtful, and uses the appropriate tools at hand! You should be
quite pleased with your student's progress.

Cheers,
For i = me, theRestofMe Do Ben

P.S. Note that it is likely that David will still loop through each
article checking for that certain style, spelling errors, grammatical
crashes and book orders.

PPS Do Ben sounds a tad too much like Du Bious.