
Subject: Re: Chance to Become Famous in IDL Circles!
Posted by [Kenneth P. Bowman](#) on Wed, 20 Oct 2010 21:49:15 GMT
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In article <MPG.272907c1aabd76c89897cd@news.giganews.com>,
David Fanning <news@dfanning.com> wrote:

> After that little screed, I decided to take a shower
> (overdue) and do a little back of the envelope calculating.
> Of course, I didn't have an envelope in the shower, but
> if my in-my-head calculations are correct, to pay my bills
> and get my youngest out of debt to the University so he can
> graduate, I'm going to have to sell something in the
> neighborhood of 25K books in the first year!

As fellow IDL author Liam Gumley once said (I think this
is from him), "It isn't going to pay for my yacht."

I just got a new iPad, and being as vain as most authors
I went to Amazon and bought the Kindle version of my book.
(Now I can carry it around with me, I rationalized.)

I am impressed by how well the electronic version works, although
the color disappeared (even the color plates are grayscale).

I am not impressed with the Kindle hardware itself, but now
that you can get Kindle readers for iphone, ipad, mac,
etc., I can see the possibility of an electronic-
only version. And the Kindle copy protection should
eliminate casual theft, at least.

Ken
