
Subject: Re: Chance to Become Famous in IDL Circles!
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 20 Oct 2010 21:06:30 GMT
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David Fanning writes:

> I'm churning out 10 pages a day, which doesn't sound like
> much unless you have tried to do it yourself. It takes me,
> roughly, an hour a page to write a book, which doesn't
> really count all the time I have to spend on things related
> to the book. That's just the writing, and some small amount
> of editing.

Dios Mio!

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!

Maybe it's not that many. I don't know. I don't
want to think about it. If I did this for the
money, I would be certifiably insane. There
must be some other reason. :-(

Cheers,

David

P.S. Let's just say passion trumps economic theory
every day of the week, INCLUDING Sunday!

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
