Subject: Re: IDL Student Edition released Posted by Randall Skelton on Thu, 19 Sep 2002 20:25:43 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Cheers, Randall

On Thu, 19 Seep 2002, Lima E. Gumley wrote:

> Highlights:

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- > Runs on Windows 98, NT, 2000, or Windows XP
- > Fully functional except no GIF or MPEG support and no network licenses
- > User must be a registered college or university student
- > Price \$79 USD including shipping (\$99 USD for overseas orders)

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- > Full details:
- > http://www.rsinc.com/academic/idl se.asp

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- > Cheers.
- > Liam.
- > Practical IDL Programming
- > http://www.gumley.com/

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Subject: Re: IDL Student Edition released Posted by Kenneth P. Bowman on Thu, 19 Sep 2002 22:46:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

In article

<Pine.LNX.4.33.0209192116550.20170-100000@moriarty.atm.ox.ac.uk>, Randall Skelton <rhskelto@atm.ox.ac.uk> wrote:

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I compliment them on setting a reasonable price and \*not\* restricting the functionality.

Ken Bowman

(Professor teaching IDL to 50 students this term.)

Subject: Re: IDL Student Edition released Posted by Randall Skelton on Fri, 20 Sep 2002 12:11:35 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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I couldn't agree more. I would like to add that I hope:

- (1) there isn't a CD-ROM coded license (like the student edition of Matlab)
- (2) the student version is upgraded and released simultaneously with the real versions
- (3) a reasonably priced upgrade is made available to each student when a new version is released.

Subject: Re: IDL Student Edition released Posted by mmiller3 on Fri, 20 Sep 2002 15:06:39 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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I'm not particularly in 'in the know', but I won't let that stop me from chimming in! FWIW, RSI has also released their (commercial, not student) Watsyn product for Windows only. From what I understood, they are aiming at the windows market and, although they aren't cutting \*nix supportfrom IDL, their focus is on windows and \*nix comes later if at all for watsyn and other newer products. That's too bad, because I know we'd jump on watsyn for our research and on the student idl for our grad students, iff they were available for \*nix, linux and sun in particular.

Mike

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Subject: Re: IDL Student Edition released Posted by R.Bauer on Sat, 21 Sep 2002 19:42:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

## Randall Skelton wrote:

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Imgrd it's not the only way to license rhe product there are some more posibilities.

e.g.

id of harddisk

I will see what's CREASO our distributor will over.

## Reimar

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