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Subject: Wheelbarrows to be Issued with New IDL Book  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2010 21:15:42 GMT  
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Cheers,

David

P.S. Let's just say I'll be looking for editors shortly with very sharp scalpels. :-)

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

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Subject: Re: Wheelbarrows to be Issued with New IDL Book  
Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 12 Oct 2010 14:34:08 GMT  
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Well, since you will publish an e-version (right?, right? :o), why not keep as much as possible?

Seriously - I have little interest in buying paper books about computer-ing these days (the irony alone is a killer :o).

Especially the reference ones (like yours would be). I have quite a few bordering-on-1000-page tomes that I use/reference quite frequently at work and at home. The weight of said volumes: 0g. They're all PDF's

As soon as e-readers like iPads get light enough (those things weigh a ton!), or e-readers like kindle/nook/etc are more versatile (not just teeny screens with b/w text), I'll even be able to read them on the train to/from work!

Having said all that, you could publish your next book on stone tablets and I'd still buy a copy (or two). :o)

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