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Thread: [Visual Studio 2012 VS Visual Studio 2013](#)

Aura - January 23, 2014, 10:51 am

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iVision - January 23, 2014, 11:05 am

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Lana Del Rey_ - January 23, 2014, 11:43 am

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Some teachers doesn't allow us to have our laptop with us for some reason ?

And nah, it was really VS2010 in VS2012 that wasn't working for some reason so of course the opposite wasn't working too ?

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That's good to know ?

I think it will not be a problem. I had my first class today, we were doing ASP.NET (MVC) and the projects were set to use .NET Framework 4.5, so it might be good. I'll just have to check is VS2013 per default uses 4.5.1, which I think it does.

Qmz_ - January 24, 2014, 8:24 am

What you code? I would say VS2010, but VS2012/13 would also work if daffodil & visual assist X is installed ?

Aura - January 24, 2014, 8:35 am

(Jan 24, 2014 09:24 AM)Qmz_ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What you code? I would say VS2010, but VS2012/13 would also work if daffodil & visual assist X is installed ?

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I haven't used that. I have it, but never used it. Isn't it only for .NET?

Aura - January 26, 2014, 12:28 am

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Damn, color ! ?
I guess I'll be going with Visual Studio 2013 then ! Can't wait to see how it looks like !