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Dan Gookin loves a challenge. He must, otherwise he wouldn't have taken on so daunting a topic as the C programming language. And as you can see from C For Dummies, Volume One, Gookin was definitely up to the task: Right off the bat, this plain-English guide to programming in one of the most widely accepted computer languages can have you coding in C just like a pro. Using your C compiler of choice -- whether it's Borland C++, Turbo C, Microsoft Visual C++, or some other -- you'll get the hang of the basic building blocks of C programs, from printf to scanf. You'll master the C way of doing math and making decisions, as well as declaring and using all types of variables. Best of all, you can count on C For Dummies, Volume One (along with C For Dummies, Volume Two) to provide the best possible foundation as you advance to the latest stage of C evolution, C++.

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