

CGI / Forms Exercise

Overview

- 1) Update / rewrite the HTML form (slide 1)
- 2) Update / rewrite your scripts (slide 2)
- 3) Prepare your CGI-BIN directory (slides 3-6)
- 4) Upload the scripts to the CGI-BIN directory (slide 7)
- 5) Upload the HTML form to the root directory (slide 7)
- 6) Test the form (slide 8)

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Update / rewrite the HTML form

- Open simpleform.html in **Notepad**
- Change the action attribute to point to your tripod account
- If you wish to make any changes to the form, this is where you'd do so. BUT, if you make any changes to the variables, you'll need to remember to make the same changes in the script.

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Update / re-write your scripts

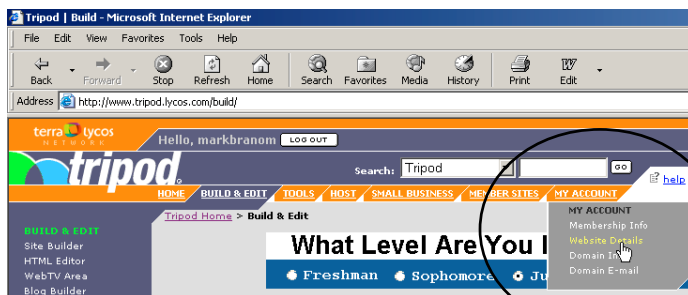
- Open email.txt in Notepad
- Enter your email address

- Open email.pl in Notepad
- If you wanted to change the format of the email response or the reply response, or if you added or removed or altered any variables, this is where you'd make those changes.

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Prepare your CGI-BIN

- Open *Internet Explorer* (not *Netscape*)
- Log into your tripod account (<http://www.tripod.com>)
- Under **My Account**, select **Website Details**.



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- Under **Preferences**, under **CGI Scripts**, click **Add and Edit CGI Scripts**



- Click the checkbox next to **Allow overwrite**
- Click **Upload**



Upload (if using WSFTP, be sure to set it to ASCII)

To your CGI-BIN:

- email.pl
- email.txt
- CGI.pm (only if it isn't already there)
- TripodCGI.pm (only if it isn't already there)
- TripodMail.pm (only if it isn't already there)

To your root directory:

- simpleform.html

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Test the Form

- Point your browser to:
<http://YOURNAME.tripod.com/simpleform.html>
- Fill out the answers and click **Submit**.
- Check your email to see if the form worked!

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