

Do not keep the default names assigned by Visual Basic, such as `Button1` and `Label3`. Also, do not name your objects with numbers. The exception to this rule is for labels or other controls that never change during project execution. Labels usually hold items such as titles, instructions, and labels for other controls. Leaving these labels with their default names is perfectly acceptable and is practiced in this text.

Refer to Table 1.2 for sample object names.

Recommended Naming Conventions for Visual Basic Objects

Table 1.2

Object Class	Example
Form	<code>DataEntryForm</code>
Button	<code>ExitButton</code>
Label	<code>TotalLabel</code>
TextBox	<code>PaymentAmountTextBox</code>
Radio button	<code>BoldRadioButton</code>
CheckBox	<code>PrintSummaryCheckBox</code>
Horizontal scroll bar	<code>RateHorizontalScrollBar</code>
Vertical scroll bar	<code>TemperatureVerticalScrollBar</code>
PictureBox	<code>LandscapePictureBox</code>
ComboBox	<code>BookNamesComboBox</code>
ListBox	<code>IngredientsListBox</code>
SoundPlayer	<code>IntroPageSoundPlayer</code>

Visual Studio Help

Visual Studio 2010 has a completely new Help system, called the Help Viewer. Rather than display Help topics in the Visual Studio IDE, the Help Viewer displays its content in a separate browser window, using the default browser on the local computer. You can display Help in any browser, such as Firefox, Chrome, or Internet Explorer.

One advantage of the new Help system is that Microsoft can keep it up-to-date.

Setting Up Help for Your Computer

You can set up Help to store and display topics offline (local) or use Microsoft's online resources, called Microsoft Developers Network library (MSDN). Of course, to display online content, you must have an active Internet connection.