

Class Test Fall 2004
Programming Language Pragmatics, 2e
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Morgan Kaufmann Publishers would like to thank you for your participation in this class test of the second edition of Michael L. Scott's *Programming Language Pragmatics*. You and students from 10 other colleges and universities across the country will have the opportunity to provide feedback to the author as he prepares this revision for publication. Your comments and suggestions are an invaluable and important contribution to the development of this book, and we are very delighted to be able to have the chance to work with you and your instructor. You are an important part of this process—both we and the author thank you!

About the class test

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We are eager for your comments, and we can guarantee that the author will carefully consider any bug reports, suggestions, or criticisms you may have. When you submit your comments to us, they will be forwarded directly to the author.

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A key part of your participation in this class test is filling out the Student Evaluation Form for each chapter. This form will allow you to document your impressions and opinions of the manuscript. Here's what we need:

- **Responses to all the questions in the evaluation form.** A fully-completed form is the surest way to provide useful feedback to the author, and enables us to better compare and quantify the responses from all the students participating in this class test.
- **Details regarding any errors, inconsistencies, or incomprehensible sentences you may encounter.** Many of the

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Again, we thank you for your participation in this class test. We look forward to receiving your comments!

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nate McFadden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Nate" being more prominent than the last name "McFadden".

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