

HOW TO ADD A SIMPLE DIALOG BOX

LESSON 7

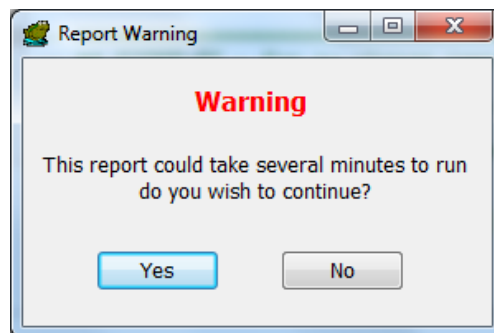
A step by step guide on how to add a simple dialog box in a TOAD® Reports Manager Report

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1 Scenario:

We have a report that is a known resource hog and may take a long time to run, rendering TOAD inactive for the duration of the report generation.

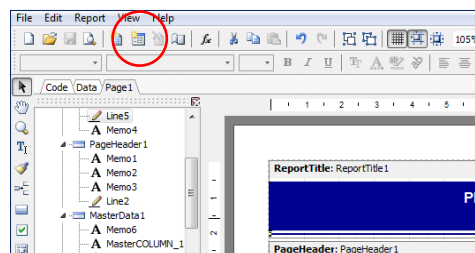
So we don't inadvertently run the report our aim in this lesson is to add a popup at the beginning of a report to let us know that the report is a resource hog and give us the opportunity to not run the report.



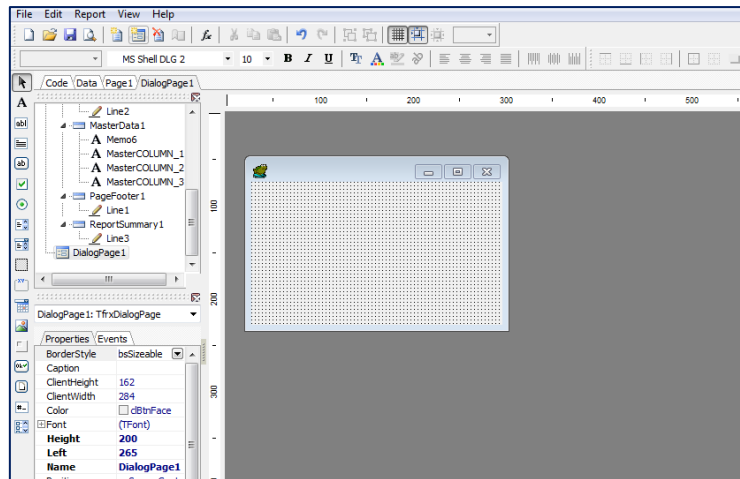
I have used a starting point a report we created in Lesson 6 - How to change the colour of report text based on the text's value and will be adding the popup dialog box to this report. The final example report is available from the www.eb site where this lesson was down loaded.

2 Create a dialog box

Start by adding a "New Dialog Page: to the report by selecting the "New Dialog Page" option

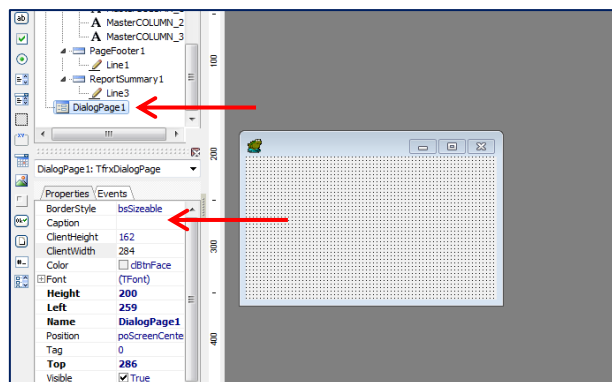


You will then be presented with the Dialog Page editor.



2.1 Adding a dialog box title

Firstly, we need to add a dialog box title.

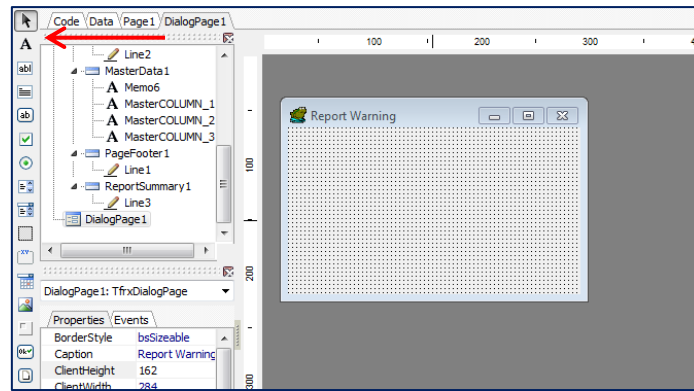


Step 1: Select the “DialogPage1” object

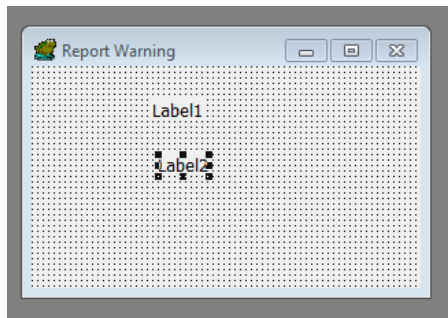
Step 2: Add the title text “Report Warning” into the caption section of the properties

3 Adding text objects to the dialog box

Select the “Label control” option

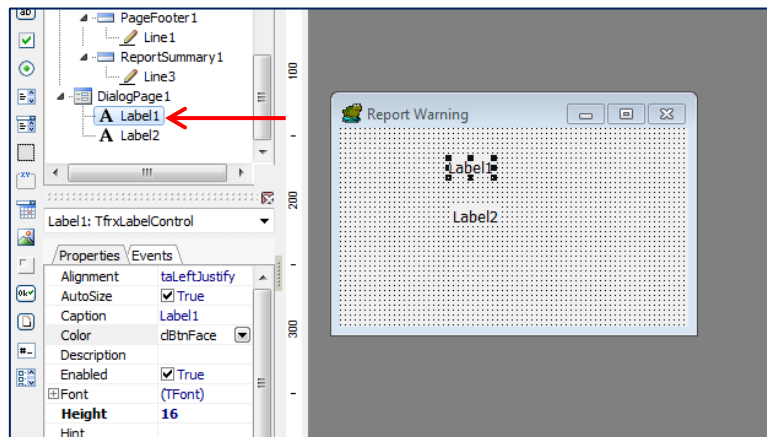


Place the label object into the editor and repeat so you have two (2) label controls

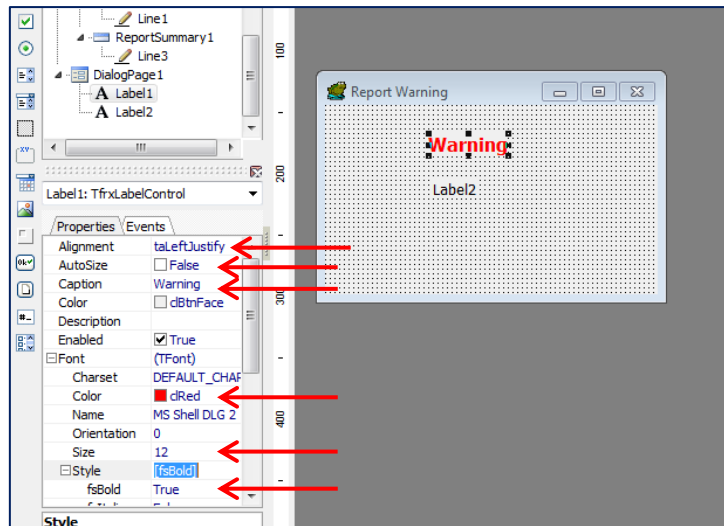


3.1 Edit “Label1”

In this step we want to set “label1” to the word WARNING in red



Select the “Label 1” object and change the Caption from Label to “Warning”



Set the “label1” object properties:

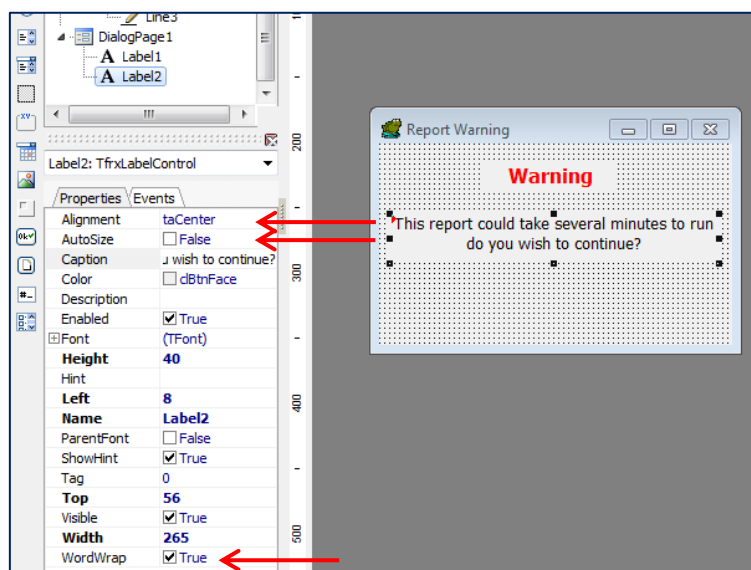
1. Set the Alignment to TaCenter
2. Deselect the AutoSize option
3. Change the Font Color to clRed
4. Change the font size to 12 or larger
5. Change the font style FsBold to true

Manually resize and center the “label1” object in the dialog box.

3.2 Edit “Label2”

In this step we want to set “label2” with the text:

“This report could take several minutes to run do you wish to continue?”



Set the “label2” object properties:

1. Set the Alignment to TaCenter
2. Deselect the AutoSize option
3. Set the caption to “This report could take several minutes to run do you wish to continue?”
4. Change the Font to red
5. Change the font size to 12 or larger
6. Set the WordWrap option true

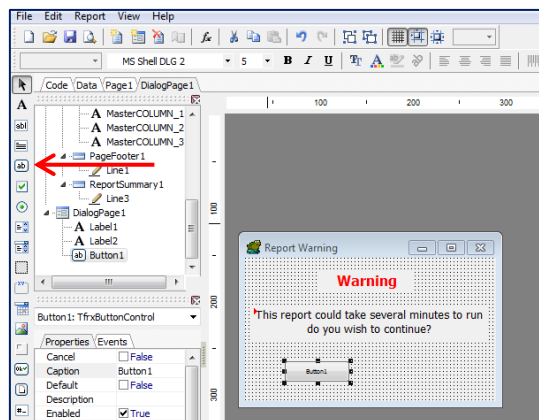
Manually resize and center the “label2” object.

4 Adding Buttons

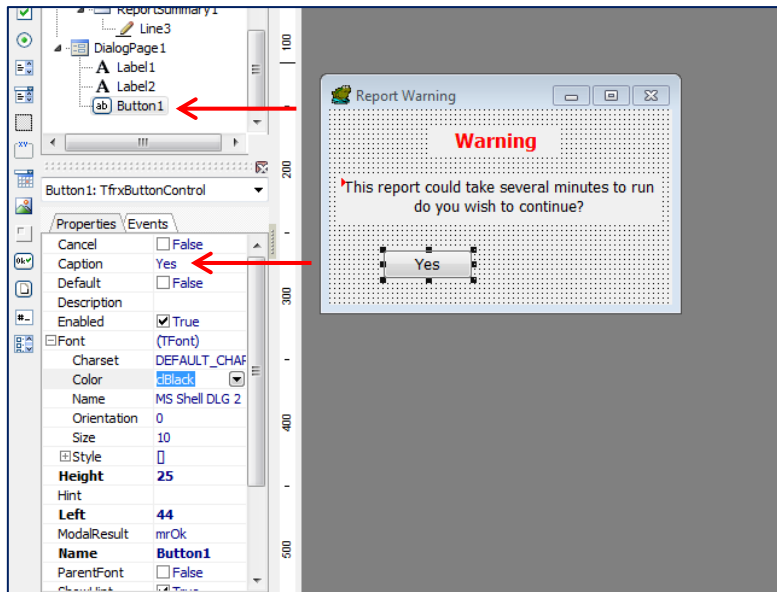
We will now add the “Yes” and “No” buttons to the dialog box

4.1 Adding the “Yes” Button

Select the button control option and place the button on the screen



Select the “Button1” Object



Set the “Button1” object properties:

1. Set the Caption Property to “Yes”
2. Set the ModalResult to “**mrOK**”
3. Change the font as required

4.2 Adding the “Yes” Button

Repeat the step above setting the “Button2” object properties as follows:

1. Set the Caption Property to “No”
2. Set the ModalResult to “**mrCancel**”
3. Change the font as required

5 Save and run the report...

When running the report from the TOAD Reports Manager page, when you select “No” you will be taken to a blank reports preview screen which you will need to cancel out of. I don’t know how to make the report cancel process return to the TOAD reports manager screen yet... ☺ But you will get the option not to run the report...

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