

ITCamp® - SESSION LEVELS

We intend to mark all sessions on the agenda according to their technical depth level. We will use something similar to the TechEd conference session levels. You may find the reference for session levels below:

Level 100 (intro level content – beginner/introductory level)

- No previous knowledge of this subject required
- May contain roadmap and general overview of product features
- May or may not contain code/demos
- We intend to have as few of these sessions as possible during ITCamp events

Level 200 (general overview sessions - intermediate level)

- Specific Product/Technology technical drill-down
- Drilling into architecture, integration, and configuration (what makes the feature tick?)
- Supportability reviews
- Code samples
- Best practices
- High-level troubleshooting techniques
- Known limitations/issues
- Focuses on broad technology overview
- Emphasizes capabilities, scenarios and value
- Simple code samples to make a point
- Where to find additional information

Level 300 (scenario sessions – experienced/advanced level)

- Focuses on demonstrating how to implement a solution
- Detailed code samples and architecture to show how it all fits together
- Product Migration, deployment, architecture, development
- Drilling into how a Product/Technology is designed to be deployed, migrated to, etc. while focusing on how it is actually deployed, migrated to, etc.
- Real world examples as appropriate
- Complex coding, known issues and workarounds (sample code/examples)
- Lessons learned, both positive and negative
- Sample migration plans including sample Project Plans
- Deployment case studies
- Architecture design best practices and case studies
- Where to find additional information

Level 400 (very deep technical/internals sessions – expert/deep-dive level)

- Focuses on internals, the how and why
- Emphasizes internal architectural considerations and decisions and how they impact real-world usage
- Custom Code, scripts, application solution development, architect, infrastructure designs and solutions
- Advanced coding considerations/challenges
- Design considerations/challenges
- Architecture considerations/challenges
- Troubleshooting techniques at the debug level
- Where to find additional information

Or if you prefer it in terms of chocolate, have a look at [John Howard's blog post](#) (also included below), which also sums up the problem of trying to provide a definitive session level guide quite nicely.

The chocolate alternative...

100. Never heard of chocolate? Don't worry. This session will introduce you to the different types of chocolate, and provide advice as to what type of chocolate may be most suitable for you. You'll walk away from this session knowing the difference between milk, dark and white chocolate, and have a whistle-stop tour of the ingredients. There will be two demonstrations including an overview of the chocolate making process, and a tasting session.

200. You've had a few bars of chocolate already and you know they're something you'll be using on a regular basis. In this session, you'll be looking closer into the ingredients which go into the chocolate making process. The session will include demonstrations of selecting the right ingredients to make a bar of chocolate configured just right for your taste buds. This session includes some troubleshooting tips such as when you boil the mixture for slightly too long and best practices for selecting the most suitable bar of chocolate.

300. You've already tasted and made most types of chocolate but maybe want to know exactly when you should use a specific type of chocolate for the perfect cake, or knowing under which circumstances you should select brown over white sugar or skimmed vs semi-skimmed vs full-fat milk. Come to this session for a detailed discussion about improving the way you manage your whole chocolate making and eating processes. There will be a demonstration of disaster recovery (such as when the kids have eaten the whole tin).

400. Rip of the wrappers and throw them away - this is a no-holds barred choc-o-fest all the way from chocolate peanuts to luxury Belgian chocolate. Do you want to know the perfect number of sugar granules for a 500g bar? Find out the answer to this and much more, first hand from our experts. This session will provide opportunities to drill down into the questions which may have been troubling you about chocolate. There will be a detailed demonstration of configuring your environment to maximize the chocolate bar throughput in parallel eating environments. You will also gain in-depth information on the next version of Chocolate, Chocolate 2005.

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