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- How to create queries using the query language (JP QL) and the Criteria API
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- How to use XML mapping files and descriptors
- How to package and deploy your Java Persistence applications
- How to test your Java Persistence applications


Who this book is for

The book generally targets enterprise and persistence developers who fall in one of three categories:

- Those who are new to persistence; we will offer an introduction to persistence and to the basic concepts so these readers can have solid base from which to become proficient at JPA.
- Those who know and/or use existing ORM persistence products such as Hibernate or TopLink/EclipseLink.
- Those who have already used JPA and want to learn about newer features introduced by JPA 2.1, or have a good reference book to consult when they develop JPA applications.

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