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- Create nCurses programs using your choice of editors
- Gain a solid understanding of nCurses, from the basics to the advanced
- Find hundreds of quick, easy-to-understand programming examples
- Explore the detailed nCurses library reference included, with examples and cross-references as well as more details and descriptions than you'll find anywhere else

About the Author

**DAN GOOKIN** began his career as a computer columnist and magazine editor. Then in 1991, he wrote *DOS For Dummies* and launched a juggernaut. Among his many titles in that popular series are *PCs For Dummies*, *Word For Dummies*, and *C All-in-One Desk Reference For Dummies*. Thanks to his unique style and dry wit, Dan's books are always informative and never boring.

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