
Subject: Re: Createing ASCII_TEMPLATE

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Jeff (jeffe@fl.ensco.com) writes:

- > I use the GUI to create an ASCII_TEMPLATE to read some simple
- > Text files.
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- > Is there a way to save this template so the next time I bring
- > up IDL I don't have to recreate the entire template again?

The easiest thing to do, I think, would be to SAVE the template. Then, just RESTORE it when you want to use it.

```
myTemplate = ASCII_TEMPLATE(mydatafile)
Save, myTemplate, File='mytemplate.dat'
```

When you want to use it, type:

```
Restore, 'mytemplate.dat'
Help, myTemplate, /Structure
```

Cheers,

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