Subject: Re: Dumb Dumb Question Posted by Craig Markwardt on Wed, 18 Nov 1998 08:00:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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- "When calling a routine with a keyword parameter, you can abbreviate the
- > keyword to its shortest, unambiguous abbrevation".

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- > Cheers,
- > Liam.

I have been bitten by this alot. I have often wanted to have keywords like TIME, TIMEBIN, TIMECOL in the same procedure. For some reason it's perfectly legal to compile such a procedure, but I can never use the "TIME" keyword because it's ambiguous.

I would much prefer that the IDL byte compiler would issue a *warning* when an ambiguity like that appears. I think that when a procedure is called with "TIME=xxx", and that exact keyword exists, then there should be no ambiguity.

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