
Subject: Re: Getting File creation data/time
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Phillip & Suzanne David wrote:

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>  
> Try this:  
>  
>   FileName=Dialog_pickfile(/read)  
>  
>   ; Pipeline the output of the dir command to a file  
>  
>   DOSCommand='dir "'+FileName+'" ' ; Add quotes around the file name
```

Briljant! It does the trick..... only:

```
>   Spawn, DosCommand, Result      ; You don't have to send the results to a  
> file. They get sent back in 'Result'
```

doesn't work on a Window\$ machine as also mentioned in the help files:

```
; IDLHELP*****  
Result
```

A named variable in which to place the output from the child process.
Each line of output becomes a single array element. If Result is not
present, the output from the child shell process goes to the standard
output.

Under Windows and the Macintosh OS, Result has no effect.

```
; IDLHELP*****
```

But then I can use the temp-file trick.

Thanks,

Armand
