Subject: Re: Widget_Message on the Mac
Posted by davidf on Tue, 30 Mar 1999 08:00:00 GMT

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Phillip David (pdavid@earthling.net) writes:

> I was trying to use Widget_Message (which I regularly use on a Solaris
> machine) to display some information for a program running IDL 5.2 for
> Macintosh. However, when I passed an array of strings, they didn't print one
> per line like they do on other platforms. Instead, they were concatenated
> together. Has anyone else seen this behavior?

The proper name for this function is Dialog_Message. Widget_Message
is an obsolete routine that acts as a wrapper for Dialog_Message,
I think. :-)

> Why?

Uh...different operating system? Bad programming? Your guess
is as good as mine.

> Any ideas how to fix it?

My Mac is too old to be useful and a recent reformat of the
hard drive just knocked the old IDL off, but have you tried
embedding a Carriage Return in the message:

    message = 'Line One!CLine Two'

Or maybe:

    message = 'Line One' + String(13B) + 'Line Two'

Worth a try.

Cheers,

David

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