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Subject: Re: point\_lun  
Posted by [John-David T. Smith](#) on Tue, 29 Feb 2000 08:00:00 GMT  
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Martin Schultz wrote:

>  
> Hallo Reimar!  
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> since I was looking at a similar issue yesterday night, I came across  
> some  
> statements about this in the online help. Look for "reading  
> files:Windows platform"  
> in the help index. It basically confirms what Craig said.  
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> If nothing else helps and you \*really\* need to read these ASCII files  
> platform-  
> independently, you'll probably have to resort to reading it as binary  
> unformatted  
> into your own buffer, filter all CR's (13B) in case there are any, and  
> break the  
> lines at the line feeds (10B). This still leaves out the Mac World,  
> where they use only CR as far as I know...

Or, just read a line at a time, which is platform independent, and how ascii files are normally read. To skip to the nth line:

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lin=""  
for i=0,n-1 do readf,un,lin
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