
Subject: Re: Printf and line breaks

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ALAN FRAZIER (s007amf@news.wright.edu) writes:

> Sorry to bother everyone with another question. But, I am just at the
> beginning of the enduring process of learning IDL.

Yeah, you and me, both. :-)

> My current problem is with printf. I am trying to create a text output
> file that can be easily imported into a spreadsheet. From what I can
> tell, printf automatically line wraps after 80 or so characters. For my
> output, I want printf to print everything on the same line. I am
> wondering if anyone knows how to do this or if this is even possible?

When you open the file for writing, set the WIDTH keyword to
as wide a line as you need. 80 columns is the default
for historical reasons. (Are you old enough to remember
punch cards?)

Cheers,

David

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