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Subject: Re: [Q]: reading hexadecimal numbers from text files

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David Fanning ([davidf@dfanning.com](mailto:davidf@dfanning.com)) writes:

> I have no idea how to read 'CS' into a short integer, but  
> hexadecimal values are quite straightforward.

Well, "no idea" is perhaps too strong. You can turn  
the string "CS" into a integer value like this:

```
IDL> variable = "CS"  
IDL> var = Fix(Byte(variable), 0)  
IDL> Print, var  
      21315
```

I'm just not sure that's what you really wanted to do. :-(

Cheers,

David

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