
Subject: Re: UNCOMPRESS files on PCs
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Thu, 15 Aug 2002 18:14:41 GMT
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David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> writes:

> Folks,
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> I have reason to work with files that have been compressed
> with the UNIX "compress" command from my Windows IDL application.
> Has anyone written a Windows DLM, ala Randy Frank's gzip interface
> (found on Ronn Kling's web page) to work with this
> kind of compressed file? (Randy's DLM appears
> to work only with files compressed with gzip.)
>
> Anyone want to make a couple of bucks writing me one? :-)
>
> There are reasons why I want a DLM and not solutions
> that spawn gzip, etc., which I know can decompress
> these files.

Hi David--

I've certainly wanted something like this myself. In fact I've wished that IDL provided native access to the compression routines that it has built in.

However, are you sure that the "gzip" DLM that you mentioned cannot decompress "compressed" files? I know that the Unix gzip command is able to do this, so perhaps the library is smart enough.

Good luck,
Craig

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