Subject: Re: Begin statement
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In article <3efcu3$6br@post.gsfc.nasa.gov> thompson@orpheus.nascom.nasa.gov
(William Thompson) writes:

>>
>> I think, it is only allowed to use BEGIN and END statements
>> in procedures and functions. I found nothing to this point
>> in the User's Guide...
>
> Actually, on can use BEGIN and END statements from the command line, but one
> has to fit in the entire command onto a single command line, e.g.
>
> IDL> FOR I=1,10 DO BEGIN & PRINT,I & HELP,I & ENDFOR
>
> If one can't fit the entire loop onto a single line, then one needs to write a
> procedure, either by editing a file or by using .RUN, e.g.
>
> IDL> .RUN
> - FOR I=1,10 DO BEGIN
> - PRINT, I

Actually you can write
 for i=1,10 do begin & $
 print, i & $ ... etc

With the &'s you make one line and with the $'s you split it when it
gets too long.

Regards, George

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