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Subject: Re: Is there a way to use C++ code in IDL  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 20 Feb 2003 18:52:14 GMT  
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CelticBlues (idluser@celticblues.com) writes:

> It's a fairly complex ascii file, the parser of which I did not write  
> myself. Combine the complexity, with the fact that I didn't write the  
> original parser, and I feel more comfortable reusing the code, than  
> rewriting it in IDL, which I just started using yesterday. Maybe as I learn  
> more about IDL, I'll write a parser in IDL, but until then....

My only point is that learning how to link C++ programs into IDL on your second day on the job, is like learning C++ by starting with how the compiler works. It may be useful (and even interesting), but at the end of the day you aren't going to be much of anywhere.

But if you spend a day with IDL futzing around trying to read an ASCII file, you might even have a file reader by the time the dinner bell goes off. :-)

Cheers,

David

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