
Subject: Re: write unix textfile with windows idl
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Klemens Barfus <klemens.barfus@forst.tu-dresden.de> wrote:

> Hello together,
> it seems to be a quite easy problem but I would like to write unix text
> files with idl operating under windows.

HM, I played a little and came up with some text the online help:

"The Windows-Only keywords BINARY and NOAUTOMODE are now obsolete. Input/Output on Windows is now handled indentially to Unix, and does not require you to be concerned about the difference between "text" and "binary" modes. These keywords are still accepted for backwards compatibility, but are ignored."

Those keywords are ignored causing lines written with the printf command are terminated by carriage return and line feed when Windows is the OS and line feed only for Unix. Thus "handled indentially to Unix" is at least hard to understand.

>
> How can I manage these ?

A work-around is to use writeu in stead of printf and use the string procedure to format the text, i.e. to write some text and a number, the following code works

```
writeu, 1, String( "Hello word, the year is", 2004), 10B
```

but looks ugly. Any other ideas?

Norbert
