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Subject: Re: String composition

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Edd Edmondson <eddedmondson@hotmail.com> wrote:

> Antonio Santiago <d6522117@est.fib.upc.es> wrote:

>> Hi, sorry about this poor question, but is my first problem with IDL.

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>> How can i mount a string with a return carriage. That is like C:

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>> string = 'hello \n'+ 'bye'

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>> How can i put the '\n' character?

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> STRING(10B) (10 being the ascii code for a new line)

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> eg, mystring='hello'+STRING(10B)+'bye'

That's ok for Unix like operating systems. MS Windows requires

mystring='hello'+STRING([13B,10B]+'bye'

while the Macintosh needs mystring='hello'+STRING(13B)+'bye'  
if I'm not mistaken.

You may use the variable !version.os to find out which OS your  
program runs on.

Norbert

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