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Subject: Re: IDL on Windows vs. Unix, debugging consideration

Posted by [Ben Panter](#) on Sat, 07 Aug 2004 08:38:01 GMT

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R.G. Stockwell wrote:

> You do know that in windows it is Control-Break, not control-C right?  
> I assume you meant that. I find that it often stops when you ask it to,  
> under windows. However a tight loop will ignore you. Perhaps a  
> wait command deep in the loop, with the smallest wait possible would help  
> [in a debuggin situation].

I've used the following to stop runaway code in the IDLDE...

```
# press the "break" button (which gets ignored)
# attempt to close the IDLDE environment
# reply "no"
```

It then appears to process the break command \*before\* it restarts the program. This method has worked for me a number of times, although no guarantee is offered!

Ben

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email is false. Use my name (no spaces) at bigfoot which is a com.

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