
Subject: Re: String Processing Question

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 03 Mar 2005 22:14:57 GMT

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Sobwom writes:

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> Try StrSplit():
> animal = 'Coyote'
> myString = 'My favorite animal is {1}.'
> newString = StrJoin(StrSplit(myString, '{1}', /Regex, /Extract, $
>                               /Preserve_Null), animal)
```

Now *that's* what I'm talkin' about! :-)

That whole "regular expression" business always makes my eyes glaze over. I think because everyone who explains it relies on the same UNIX man page. :-(

Now I see how powerful it is. Really nice. My code is back to being elegant again! Thanks a lot.

Cheers,

David

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