Subject: Re: \_extra keyword
Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 07 Apr 2005 19:58:14 GMT
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## Michael Wallace writes:

- > Just as a programming style note, when I'm in a routine which only
- > passes extra keywords to one other routine, I always use \_STRICT\_EXTRA.
- > That guarantees me that if I mistype something or get a wrong
- > keyword, the error will be caught.

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- > The only time I don't use \_STRICT\_EXTRA is if I'm going to pass the
- > extra arguments to at least two other routines. In this case you'd want
- > the first routine to ignore the keywords associated with the second and
- > vice versa. However, I only recommend doing this when it's really
- > necessary. I've found that extra keywords are much easier to debug and
- > maintain when you're able to use \_STRICT\_EXTRA.

Amen to this!

Cheers,

David

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