Subject: Re: ASCII read problem Posted by R.Bauer on Sun, 19 Jun 2005 08:20:56 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message ahs wrote: > > Hi all, > I have some large ASCII files I need to extract data from. The files > are organized such that each line represent one dataelement, and each > line does not have a constant length or size. > > Is it any elegant method were I can just access a set of specific lines > without having to read through the whole file? > I wish /LINES was a keyword to point_lun > regards,

How large and what kind of format?

reading a large file at once is extremly fast. See my example at the "Fast editing text" thread.

cheers

> Agnar

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