
Subject: Newbie IDL question

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I new to IDL but have lots of experience in other programming languages.

It appears that all nested control statements IF/CASE/WHILE etc force me to

suffix every line with & \$ to avoid syntax errors.

Is there any way of ridding myself of this pain?

Example:

```
name = 'Larry'
CASE name OF & $
  'Larry': PRINT, 'Stooge 1' & $
  'Moe': PRINT, 'Stooge 2' & $
  'Curly': PRINT, 'Stooge 3' & $
ELSE: PRINT, 'Not a Stooge' & $
ENDCASE
```

Thanks,
Tony.
