
Subject: Re: Simple text file reading question

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On Oct 10, 11:08 am, Brian Larsen <balar...@gmail.com> wrote:

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> I am assuming you have tried this and got this error:
> % READF: Input conversion error. Unit: 101, File: data.txt
> % Execution halted at: $MAIN$
>
> the issue is that you have to initialize read variables to strings if
> you want to read strings.
>
> this is the code I used:
> IDL> openr, lun, 'data.txt', /get_lun
> IDL> readf, lun, in1
> IDL> readf, lun, in2
> IDL> readf, lun, in3
> IDL> in4 = "
> IDL> readf, lun, in4
> IDL> help, in1, in2, in3, in4
> IN1      FLOAT    =    650.000
> IN2      FLOAT    =    550.000
> IN3      FLOAT    =    480.000
> IN4      STRING   = 'chimney.sav '
>
> Cheers,
>
> Brian
>
> -----
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Thank so much for your help!! It works...my whole program works...hopefully I won't have to write another one for a while...
