Subject: Re: idl and MS word
Posted by David Fanning on Mon, 28 Jan 2008 15:05:37 GMT
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elwood writes:

> I'm running the new workbench under windows xp and teaching a
> numerical physics class using it.
> Many interesting features have popped up (but thats a story for a
> different post)
>
> I know that ms word cannot be used to created idl .pros cuz it inserts
> all sorts of wierd characters.
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> But to convince my students of this fact, I was wondering if there was
> a doc SOMEWHERE
> in the idl help pages that states which editors are suitable for
> creating idl programs
> OUTSIDE the workbench.

Microsoft Word would work fine if you saved the files
as Plain Text files (*.txt) and not regular (*.doc)
or Rich Text Format (*.rtf) files. You don't need
a help page. Any editor that saves plain text files
can be used.

Cheers,

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")