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Subject: Re: Use of STOP inside an IF statement  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 17 Jun 2008 17:54:44 GMT  
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Benjamin.R.Evans@gmail.com writes:

- > But the stop command will not work inside the IF statment but it will
- > work
- > outside the IF statment. I need it to be inside the IF statement so
- > that the program
- > stops if a message is printed out.

Are you sure you mean "STOP"? I would think you would want a RETURN here. But, in any case, there is no reason you can't have a STOP inside of an IF statement. It is identical to a breakpoint.

But I think there is something else going on here that is confusing you.

Cheers,

David

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

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