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Subject: Re: Opening/displaying a text file  
Posted by [Gaurav](#) on Mon, 19 Jan 2009 12:18:52 GMT  
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On Jan 19, 3:51 pm, jimmyb...@gmail.com wrote:  
> Hi, I'm writing a GUI for some code in IDL and want to include a help  
> document. Is there a command to open say a .txt file?  
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> To explain a bit further: I've tried openu, but that doesn't display  
> the file. Do I need to read in the text and re-display it or can I use  
> a command to open that .txt file, as if it were opened seperate of  
> IDL?

Yes, you can easily do that. Try:

SPAWN, 'notepad.exe c:\myFolder\myFile.txt', /noshell, /nowait

Cheers,  
Gaurav

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