## Subject: Make IDL record console output to a file automatically?
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Hi Folks,

I'm trying to work out some external C programs that I'm calling from
IDL.

In IDL 7.1, when my DLLs crashed, IDL would display a fatal error
message, but the workbench window would persist, so I could look at
the console and read the debug statements from my C code to figure out
what happened right before the crash.

On the other hand, IDL 8 exits immediately, closing all windows.  This
is a problem because I have already changed some of my code to use IDL
8 features, so I can't just run everything in 7.1 to view the error
messages.

This motivates my question - is there any way to get IDL to record all
console output on a file, so I can read it and do a post-mortem after
IDL shuts down?

You'd think that software would get better when they release new
versions...