
Subject: Re: IDL books for beginners

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 27 Jan 2011 13:55:38 GMT

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Peter Clinch writes:

> Just use that neat IDL "TV" command... how could there be any problems? ;-)

OK, I admit, I think TVSCL *and* TV should be banished from the face of the Earth.

When I was traveling in Africa several years ago, one of the African graduate students I was working with explained to me how the educational system in his country, established by the French colonial powers, wasn't so much interested in educating young Africans as it was in giving them what *appeared* to be an education. The purpose, he explained to me, was actually to make sure, with the rote learning methods, the calcified doctrines, etc., to keep the Africans docile and dependent.

The TV command is *exactly* like that. Libérez les personnes! :-)

Cheers,

David

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Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

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