Subject: Snarky Comments Affecting Newsgroup Posted by David Fanning on Fri, 16 Nov 2012 15:43:09 GMT

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Folks,

This morning it was brought to my attention that my snarky comments about Function Graphics is affecting the tone of this newsgroup. Since I like to think I play a large role in keeping the tone of this newsgroup friendly and open, I wish to apologize to any and all I have offended with my comments.

I have spent 2+0 years helping people learn more about how to use IDL effectively and efficiently. When I struggle for hours and days do to something that has been touted as "simple" or "easy", and then I get no help when I ask for it, I admit it pushes buttons I wish I didn't have.

But, no one pays me to do this job. I've always done it because it is fun and because I truly do like to work with IDL and answer IDL questions. I don't have to use function graphics. I don't have to write about them. And, I certainly don't have to burden you with my snarky comments about them.

I am sorry for all of that. I'm going to make every effort to restrain myself in the future. Unfortunately, I can't speak for Coyote, but I'll do my best to reign him in, too.

Cheers,

David

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