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Subject: using GET\_KBRD

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Hello All,

I have what should be a simple problem. The following 3-line program:

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REPEAT BEGIN
  A = GET_KBRD(0)
  PRINT, BYTE(A)
ENDREP UNTIL A EQ 'q'
```

exits when the user types 'q'. However, remove the print statement, and the program runs indefinitely regardless of any user input!

Anyone know what's wrong. I'm running IDL 4.0.1 on a PC. Also, to get around this problem in a large program that I wanted the option to exit from (ctrl-c doesn't usually work from a PC), I went ahead and used the print,a--but it took several passes in the program's loop before the keyboard buffer was read. I also tried to flush,0 the keyboard buffer to no avail.

Thanks in advance,

Walid

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