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Subject: Summer "English" heat or just me: Array slicing

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I'm betting this is too easy, but having been away from my work computer for several weeks I think dementia has set in:

Here's a simple array:

```
IDL> a = [[1,2,3,4,5,6],[7,8,9,10,11,12]]
```

```
IDL> help, a
```

```
A          INT      = Array[6, 2]
```

```
IDL> print, a
```

```
  1    2    3    4    5    6
  7    8    9   10   11   12
```

I want to get just the indices of dim 0 and dim 1 I need from a list of indices. So I tried this:

```
IDL> print, a[[0,3,5],[0]]
```

```
% All array subscripts must be same size. Var = A
```

But this works

```
IDL> print, a[[0,3,5],0]
```

```
  1    4    6
```

```
IDL> print, a[[0,3,5],1]
```

```
  7   10   12
```

```
IDL>
```

```
IDL> print, a[[0,3,5],0:1]
```

```
  1    4    6
  7   10   12
```

```
IDL>
```

And this does not:

```
IDL> print, a[[0,3,5],[0,1]]
```

```
% All array subscripts must be same size. Var = A
```

```
% Execution halted at: $MAIN$
```

What have I forgotten?

Andy

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