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Subject: Re: how to pass a parameter to a .sav routine??  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 28 Mar 2002 01:22:55 GMT  
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aqueous (aqueous0123@yahoo.com) writes:

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> end
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>
> exit idl
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> procedure? Please help.
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to pass the parameter \*from\*. :-(

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Thu, 28 Mar 2002 08:10:50 GMT  
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I am using env vars to put data into the application.

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pro test
text=getenv('IDL_TEXT')
print,text

end

```

```

IDL> compile,'test'
IDL> exit

```

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$ export IDL_TEXT='Hello World'
$ idl -rt=test.sav

```

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Hello World

The routine compile is from our library.

[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_source/idl\\_html/dbase/download/compile.tar.gz](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg-i/idl_icglib/idl_source/idl_html/dbase/download/compile.tar.gz)

regards

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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich  
[http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl\\_icglib/idl\\_lib\\_intro.html](http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html)  
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Subject: Re: how to pass a parameter to a .sav routine??  
Posted by [aqueous0123](#) on Fri, 29 Mar 2002 01:08:28 GMT  
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Thank you all. Its starting to make sense now...

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