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Subject: Re: Where is "Error Log"?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 10:50:04 GMT

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Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: Where is "Error Log"?

Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 12:03:00 GMT

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Look in .metadata/.log in your workspace folder  
mine is C:\Documents and Settings\hradivp\workspace\.metadata\.log

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 13:43:33 GMT  
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Vince Hradil writes:

> Look in .metadata/.log in your workspace folder  
> mine is C:\Documents and Settings\hradivp\workspace\.metadata\.log

Yikes! That's a big file. Better make a note to clean that out  
periodically, or I'll be looking for an even bigger hard drive. :-(

Thanks,

David

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Subject: Re: Where is "Error Log"?

Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 17:00:46 GMT

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On Jan 8, 3:50 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

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Subject: Re: Where is "Error Log"?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 18:18:26 GMT

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- > level in the variables view.

I agree it's cool, but in 20 years of IDL programming I don't recall ever thinking "that's something I could REALLY use!" But, I'm keeping an open mind since I can't close the darn thing. :-)

Cheers,

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