## Subject: Re: workbench filenames and program names Posted by Jean H. on Wed, 30 Jan 2008 20:52:07 GMT

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- > Thx,
- > Elisha

the proper way would be to have a program named as the filename. Now, in your case, you can

1) compile the file and type "tutorial1" in the command line or 2) write a small procedure called "tut1" that calls "tutorial1". Make sure that this procedure is the last one in your file (at the bottom of the file)

Jean

Subject: Re: workbench filenames and program names Posted by Vince Hradil on Wed, 30 Jan 2008 22:26:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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If it is in a project by itself, you can change the properties of the project to run tutoriall.

Project->Properties->IDL Project Properties->Run Command

Subject: Re: workbench filenames and program names Posted by David Fanning on Thu, 31 Jan 2008 00:52:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

## elwood writes:

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Don't let your students do this. If you teach them only one thing, teach them to name their files correctly. Like typing, they will use this every day of their working lives. It will be the most important lesson they learn. :-)

http://www.dfanning.com/tips/namefiles.html

Cheers,

David

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David Fanning, Ph.D. Fanning Software Consulting, Inc. Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: http://www.dfanning.com/ Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")