
Subject: crazy question

Posted by [natha](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 21:01:09 GMT

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Is it possible to do something like that?

```
ex='KEYWORD_NAME'  
aa=OBJ_NEW('AN_OBJECT')  
aa->SetProperty, ex=5
```

I know this is imposible but maybe there is way to use strings (as a keywords) to set values.

Subject: Re: crazy question

Posted by [natha](#) on Tue, 03 Mar 2009 13:55:32 GMT

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Yes, that's true. It works !

David, today you'll learn another thing about IDL.

THanks Lajos

Subject: Re: crazy question

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 03 Mar 2009 14:21:41 GMT

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Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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Posted by [Paul Van Delst\[1\]](#) on Tue, 03 Mar 2009 15:54:15 GMT
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Well, then, you need to try ruby. I started using it a couple years ago to properly grok object-oriented programming. The "I've got a new girlfriend" infatuation period has passed and the real work has begun... I wouldn't call it a marriage just yet, but the invites for the engagement party have been ordered. :o)

ruby is just oh so much fun to use. (Among other things, I use it to write my boilerplate Fortran95/2003 and IDL code for me)

Anyway.....

cheers,

paulv
