
Subject: Re: Odd Thing with Dialog_Pickfile
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 18 Dec 2009 01:47:02 GMT
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David Fanning writes:

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> Here is an odd little thing that is totally reproducible.  
> I'm trying to write a file, and I want to give the user  
> a chance to change the filename with Dialog_Pickfile on  
> my IDL 7.1.2 Windows 64-bit OS. I type these commands:  
>  
> filename = 'polarstereo_np_304x448_25000m.lat'  
> filename = Dialog_Pickfile(FILE=filename)  
>  
> When the dialog comes up, the name looks like it has  
> been chopped in half. It looks like "304x448_25000m.lat".
```

It turns out, if I set the WRITE keyword in Dialog_Pickfile everything is normal. Go figure.

```
filename = Dialog_Pickfile(FILE=filename, /WRITE)
```

If I use my own title, it still truncates the starting filename:

```
filename = Dialog_Pickfile(FILE=filename, TITLE='Write')
```

Cheers,

David

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