Subject: Re: OPENing a file with variable name? Posted by Pat Pfeifer on Fri, 18 Aug 1995 07:00:00 GMT

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- >> Hi. I am trying to open a file whose name is a variable using OPEN. The
- >> code looks like this
- >> OPENR,1,filename
- >> where filename is a string. I checked...it is definitely a string. Could
- >> someone please tell me how to open a file using a variable for the file name?

I had the same problem, so here is a portion of the code I wrote to get around it:

fname = pickfile (Path=!dir)

;Make sure they picked a filename fname2 = string(fname, /print) ;Some vars aren't string constants if strlen (fname2) gt 1 then begin ;Open the file and read the data openr, lun, fname2 , /Get_lun endif