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Subject: Subscript by -1 HARD to Track Down  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 07 Jun 2013 20:13:42 GMT  
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Cheers,

David

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Posted by [John Correia](#) on Fri, 07 Jun 2013 20:24:55 GMT  
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On 06/07/2013 04:13 PM, David Fanning wrote:

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John

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 07 Jun 2013 20:49:48 GMT

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John Correia writes:

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Probably. I just have to remember to put it into every program module I've ever written. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. Which, of course, breaks all my programs and prevents them from being run in anything but IDL 8. Happy updating everyone! ;-)

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