
Subject: Having READ ingest the input without waiting for return key to be hit?

Posted by [Jared Espley](#) on Tue, 20 May 2014 18:52:56 GMT

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I'm trying to have:

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letter="
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READ, PROMPT="Enter a letter", letter
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finish waiting for input after the first letter is entered without having to have the user hit return. I tried searching around for solutions but my google-fu/index-reading skills were not up to the task. Thanks for any ideas!

Jared

Subject: Re: Having READ ingest the input without waiting for return key to be hit?

Posted by [Heinz Stege](#) on Tue, 20 May 2014 19:29:19 GMT

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Hi Jared,

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try: letter=get_kbrd()
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Cheers, Heinz

Subject: Re: Having READ ingest the input without waiting for return key to be hit?

Posted by [Jared Espley](#) on Fri, 23 May 2014 20:54:11 GMT

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Perfect. Thanks!

Subject: Re: Having READ ingest the input without waiting for return key to be hit?

Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Sun, 25 May 2014 10:45:16 GMT

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Note that this works well from the commands line, but not reliably in the IDL Workbench (see documentation). Had to find out the hard way... Haje

On Tuesday, May 20, 2014 3:29:19 PM UTC-4, Heinz Stege wrote:

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> Hi Jared,
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