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Posted by [mbrown](#) on Wed, 17 Jan 1996 08:00:00 GMT
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Printf automatically generates a linefeed.

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> the button on the printer to get the printout. Thanks.

I guess you need a form feed! Formfeed on a ASCII printer is 00001100 binary, decimal 12, so you may add

Printf, String(12B)

after your last Printf statement.
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> Myron Brown
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Norbert Hahn

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Posted by [M.W.Gardner](#) on Thu, 18 Jan 1996 08:00:00 GMT

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Try :

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printf("%8f%8d....%8f\n",a,b...,c)
      ^^^
```

Hope that is what you need.

Matt

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