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Subject: showing variable txt/values at "showMessage" macros

Posted by [juliocoll](#) on Wed, 26 Apr 2023 09:46:53 GMT

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I tried different ways to identify variable txt and/or numeric values in DW macros by showing them using the DW macros "showMessage" to help in the designing of different macro codes.

I ended up experimenting with the simplest following code:

```
<macro name="Savenombre">
<task name="defineVariable">
name=filename
message= type your name, please....
</task>
<task name="showMessage">
message=$filename.txt?????????
</task>
</macro>
```

I got being asked and typing the name, but the "showMessage" did not even appeared, no matter what I tried it to type for the message to get the variable text/value (filename, \$filename, name, \$name, ±txt, etc, etc).....

Is there any other way to do it?

thank you  
julio

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Subject: Re: showing variable txt/values at "showMessage" macros

Posted by [thomas](#) on Sat, 29 Apr 2023 12:44:00 GMT

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There is a simple answer: The 'ShowMessage' task did not do any variable resolution, yet. In fact, variables are not resolved everywhere. I have built the resolution into various tasks, where it makes sense, but unfortunately, it is not complete nor consistent yet. I just added it to the ShowMessage task. Thus, after updating, the following macro will work:

```
<macro name="Savenombre">
<task name="defineVariable">
name=filename
message= type your name, please....
</task>
<task name="showMessage">
message=$filename
</task>
</macro>
```

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Subject: Re: showing variable txt/values at "showMessage" macros

Posted by [juliocoll](#) on Sat, 29 Apr 2023 18:35:18 GMT

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Thank you Thomas !

It is very useful to follow up, confirm and simplify some macro designs.....

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Subject: Re: showing variable txt/values at "showMessage" macros

Posted by [juliocoll](#) on Mon, 01 May 2023 07:29:00 GMT

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Sorry Thomas but after updating as recommended in two different computers, the <macro name="Savenombre"> still doesnt work. ....

I am working in Windows 10 64

Could I be making something wrong?

Thank you for your attention

julio

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Subject: Re: showing variable txt/values at "showMessage" macros

Posted by [juliocoll](#) on Fri, 12 May 2023 11:01:13 GMT

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Never mind!

I just found out: I had mixed up Linus Datawarrior.jar and Windows Datawarrior.exe during file replacements !

Now everything works in the 2 computers....

sorry for the inconvenience

julio

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