Start_MDIChild Function

Description

Executes MDI child windows.

Syntax

mdichildID = **Start_MDIChild**(*mdichildgroupID, mdiframeID, createparam, mdichildinstanceID, mdichildtitle, initialappearancemode* [, *initx, inity, winStruct*])

Parameters

The MDIChild function has the following parameters.

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<tr><th>Parameter</th><th>Description</th></tr>
<tr><td>MdichildgroupID</td><td>The child window name.</td></tr>
<tr><td>MdiframeID</td><td>The frame window name. (The frame must already exist.)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Createparam</td><td>The createparam passed to the CREATE event.</td></tr>
<tr><td>MdichildinstanceID</td><td>The child instance ID. If a null string, the instance ID will be created automatically.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Mdichildtitle</td><td>The title to appear in the child window's title bar.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Initialappearancemode</td><td>Window display.
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<tr><th>Value</th><th>Description</th></tr>
<tr><td>0</td><td>Displays the window in the same way as the currently active child window. (Default)</td></tr>
<tr><td>1</td><td>Normal.</td></tr>
<tr><td>2</td><td>Minimized.</td></tr>
<tr><td>3</td><td>Maximized.</td></tr>
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<tr><td>InitX</td><td>The initial x position of a window. (optional)</td></tr>
<tr><td>InitY</td><td>The initial y position of a window. (optional)</td></tr>
<tr><td>WinStruct</td><td>The structure of a window as returned from Start_Window() with "GetStructureFlag" set.</td></tr>
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Return value

The return value is the fully qualified name of the MDI child if the child window was created successfully. Otherwise a null string is returned. Typically, the full name has the format

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MDIChildGroupID : '*' : MDIChildInstanceID.
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See also

End_Window(), Start_Window(), Dialog_Box(), Create_Dialog()

Remarks

To execute the child window called CHILD_WIN in the frame window FRAME_WIN, the call to Start_MDIChild would be:

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MDIChildID = Start_MDIChild("CHILD_WIN", "FRAME_WIN", "",| "", "My Child Window", 1)
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The return value, if the function was successful, would return child_win*1 which is the child name concatenated with the instance ID.