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Retrieving the Keys of a Custom Property Set



This question was asked on the Use-Revolution List:

- >> If I set some custom properties of an object via an array:
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- >> set the specialData["cool"] of fld 1 to "hello"
- >> set the specialData["hot"] of fld 1 to "world"
- >>
- >> ...how do I retrieve a list of the custom property names (are
- >> these called "indexes"?) of the object? ("cool", "hot", etc)

Scott Rossi replied:

- > There are a couple of ways. One is to use the customKeys to get the
- > current set of custom properties, after first setting the current
- > property set to the one you want:

- > set the customPropertySet of field 1 to "specialData"
- > put the customKeys of field 1 into myPropertyList
- > Alternately, grab the whole array of custom properties, then get
- > the array's keys:

- > get the customProperties["specialData"] of this stack
- > put the keys of it into myPropertyList
- > The second way is probably cleaner: it doesn't change the current
- > custom property set.

Dave Cragg, however, provided the simplest "one-liner" to get this job done:

get the customKeys["specialData"] of field 1

Posted on 2/18/2006 by Dave Cragg to the Use-Revolution list



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