
Format

CALL BIAS(numeric-variable, string-variable [,...])

Description

The BIAS command adds 96 to all characters in the string or subtracts 96 from all characters in the string. If numeric variable is 0 then it subtracts the XB screen bias of 96 from the characters, if the numeric variable is not 0 then it adds the XB screen bias of 96 to all the characters in the string. ONLY A STRING VARIABLE IS ALLOWED FOR BIAS. The XB screen bias only affects characters read or written to the screen. See PEEKV, POKEV and MOVES.

Programs

The program to the right will load X\$ with 255 characters off the screen. But will not be readable due to a bias. The bias is now subtracted from the string printed.

Set up a string to use Remove add BIAS to string Put the string onto screen

The program to the right will | >100 CALL MOVES("V\$",255,511 load X\$ with 255 characters | ,X\$)

| >110 CALL BIAS(0,X\$) | >120 PRINT X\$

| >100 Y\$="This is a test!" | >110 CALL BIAS(1,Y\$) | >120 CALL MOVES("\$V",15,Y\$, | 96)

The above program copies 255 bytes from screen address 511 (511=15 rows plus 31 columns) into string X\$. Then BIAS removes 96 from each byte in string X\$. Finally X\$ is shown on screen by PRINT X\$