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Quick Start Guide

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Introduction

Congratulations on using one of the most flexible and powerful databases in the world, OpenInsight from Revelation Software.

This Quick Start guide is designed to help you port your existing multivalue application into OpenInsight using the Character to OpenInsight (CTO) interface. With this new set of features built into OpenInsight, multivalue developers are able to take a virtual ACCOUNT-SAVE of their existing application and restore the saved account as an application within OpenInsight. All files will be created in a user-specified location, all dictionaries will be converted as best as possible and character-based programs will be able to be pre-compiled and run "as is" under a VT100 emulation.

The CTO interface supplements the GUI interface that is synonymous with OpenInsight. Both the GUI and CTO interfaces communicate with the Revelation OpenEngine (the "heart" of the database environment). Therefore both interfaces have access to all the tables and programs stored in the database, and can interoperate. Developers can have the best of both worlds (GUI and CTO), with no middleware add-on costs.

Rather than drawing Windows or Linux desktop graphical forms, the CTO handles the processing of traditional multivalue PRINT, INPUT, etc. statements (including of course support for cursor movement and screen attribute control). In addition, the CTO emulates a tool set and environment that are familiar to the traditional multivalue developer and user (including a command line prompt, support for PROCs and Paragraphs, a "master dictionary", a spooler interface, and system tools like ED, BASIC, LIST/SORT, etc.)

By following this document, you should be able to:

1. Logon to SYSPROG via the CTO
2. Setup you TRANSLATE configuration item using the editor
3. Select your virtual account save tape
4. Perform an ACCOUNT-RESTORE
5. Log on to your restored application
6. Compile and debug your programs
7. Define printers and use the spooler interface
8. Launch your application in CTO
9. Modify your application using OpenInsight's graphical interface

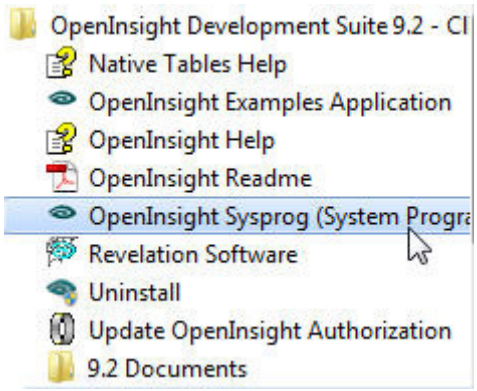
So, in less than ten steps, you will have ported an entire application.

Thanks again for trying out such a great product, and good luck!

Starting OpenInsight & CTO

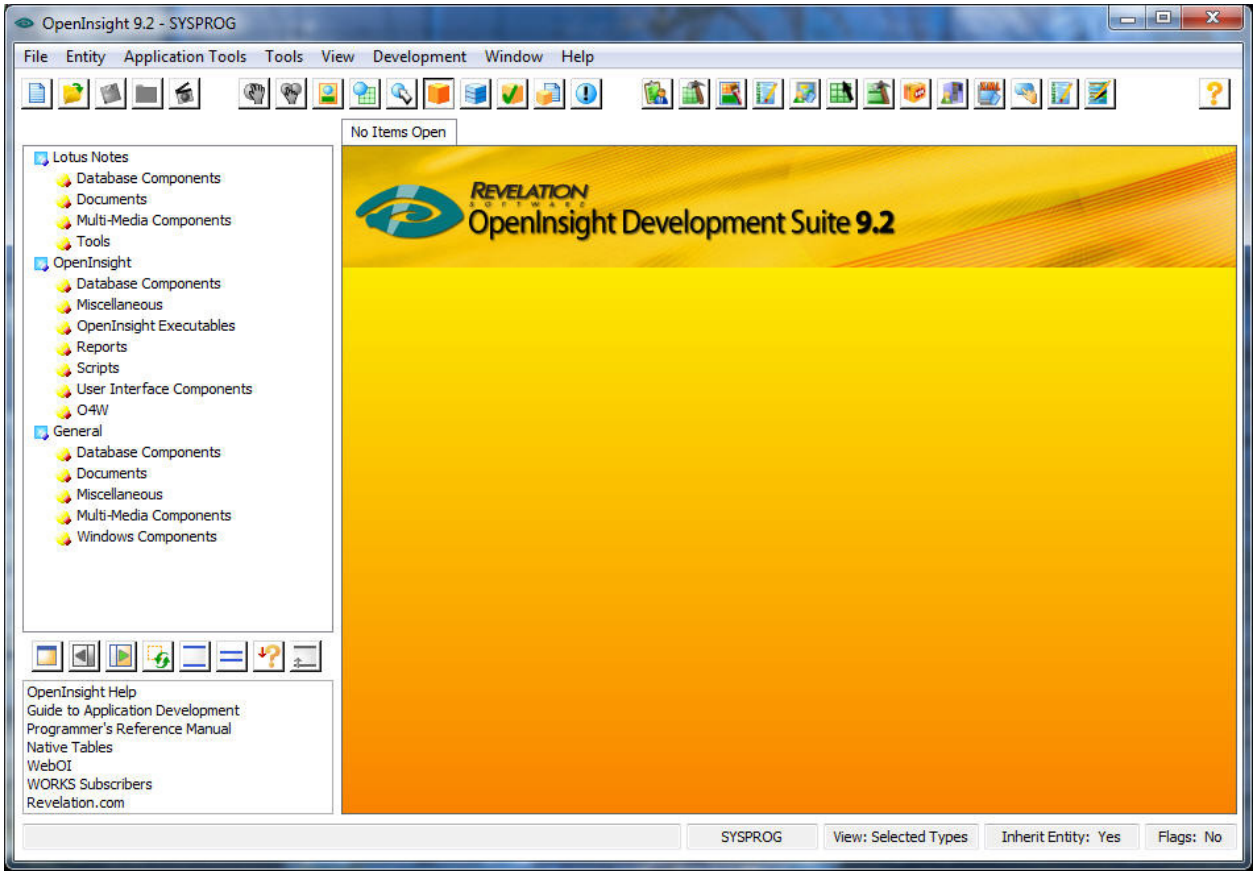
I. Starting OpenInsight

1. Launch OpenInsight.
2. Start, Programs, OpenInsight Development Suite, OpenInsight Sysprog.



II. Opening an Existing Application

3. The Application Manager window for the SYSPROG application will be displayed as shown below.

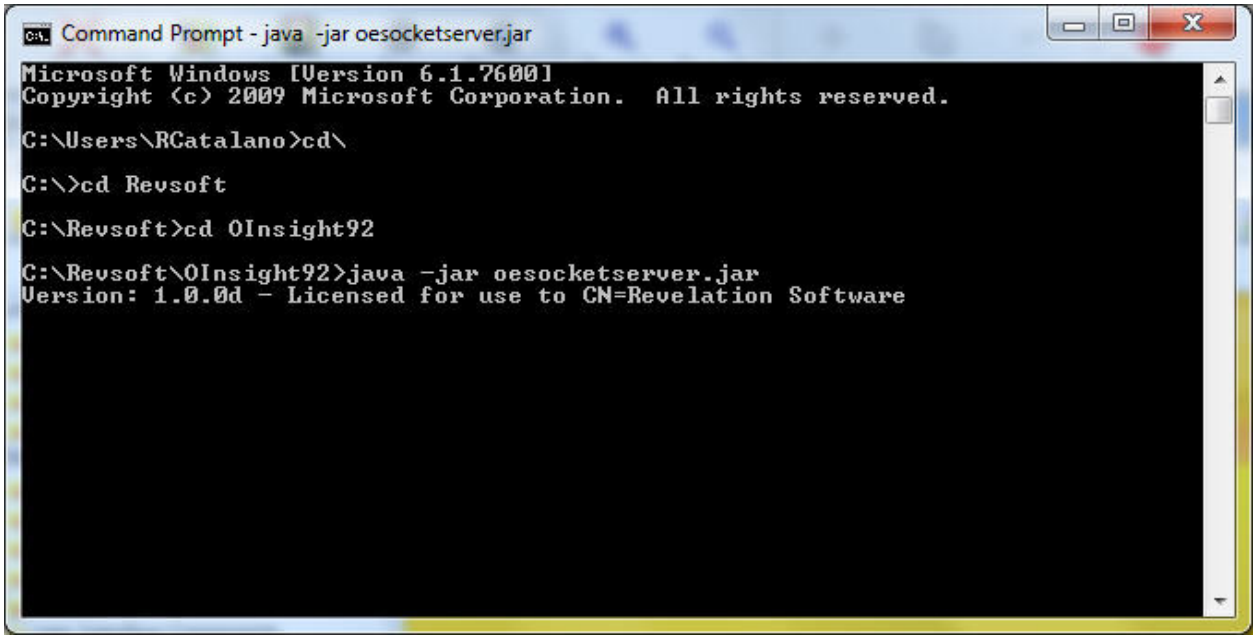


Starting CTO

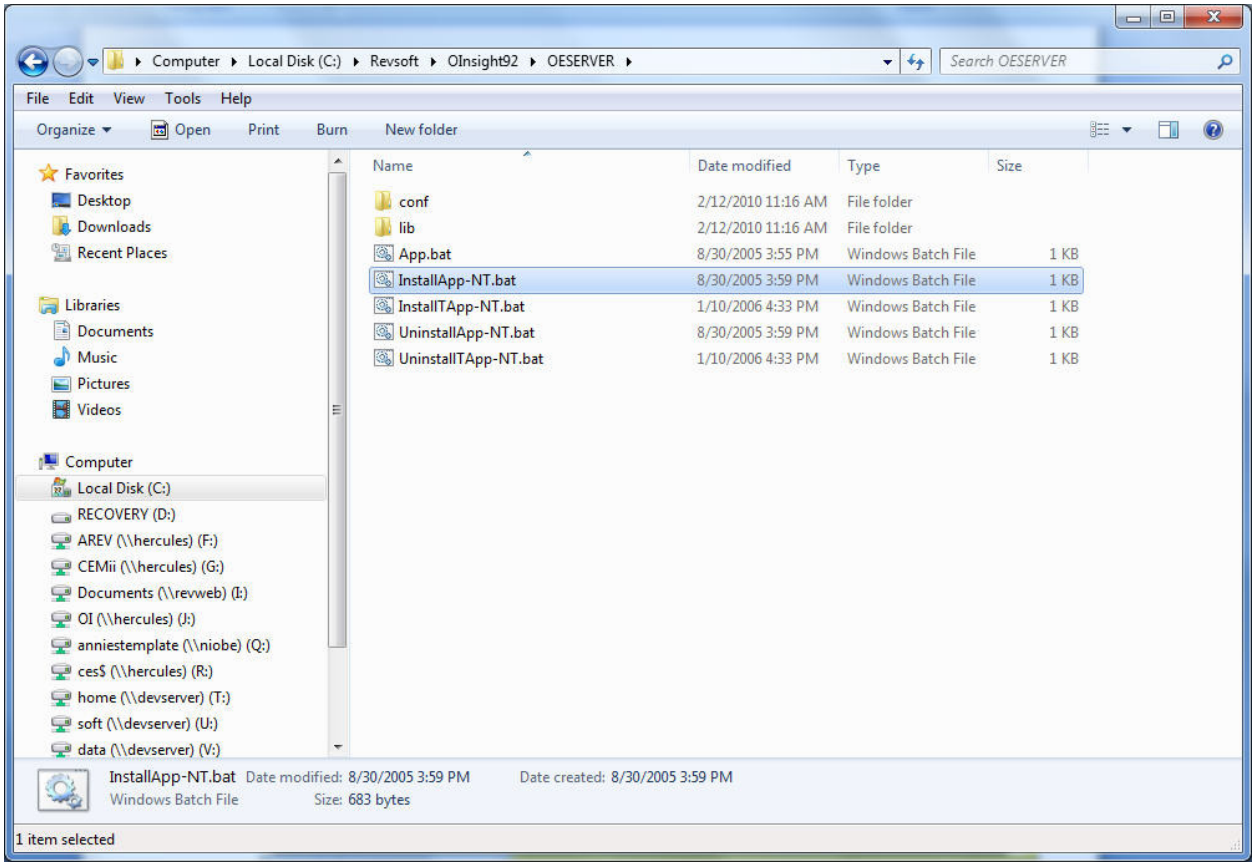
I. Starting CTO

1. The OEngineServer must be running as a service or you must launch the OEngineServer application with the following command from a DOS command prompt in your OpenInsight directory:
   java –jar oesocketserver.jar

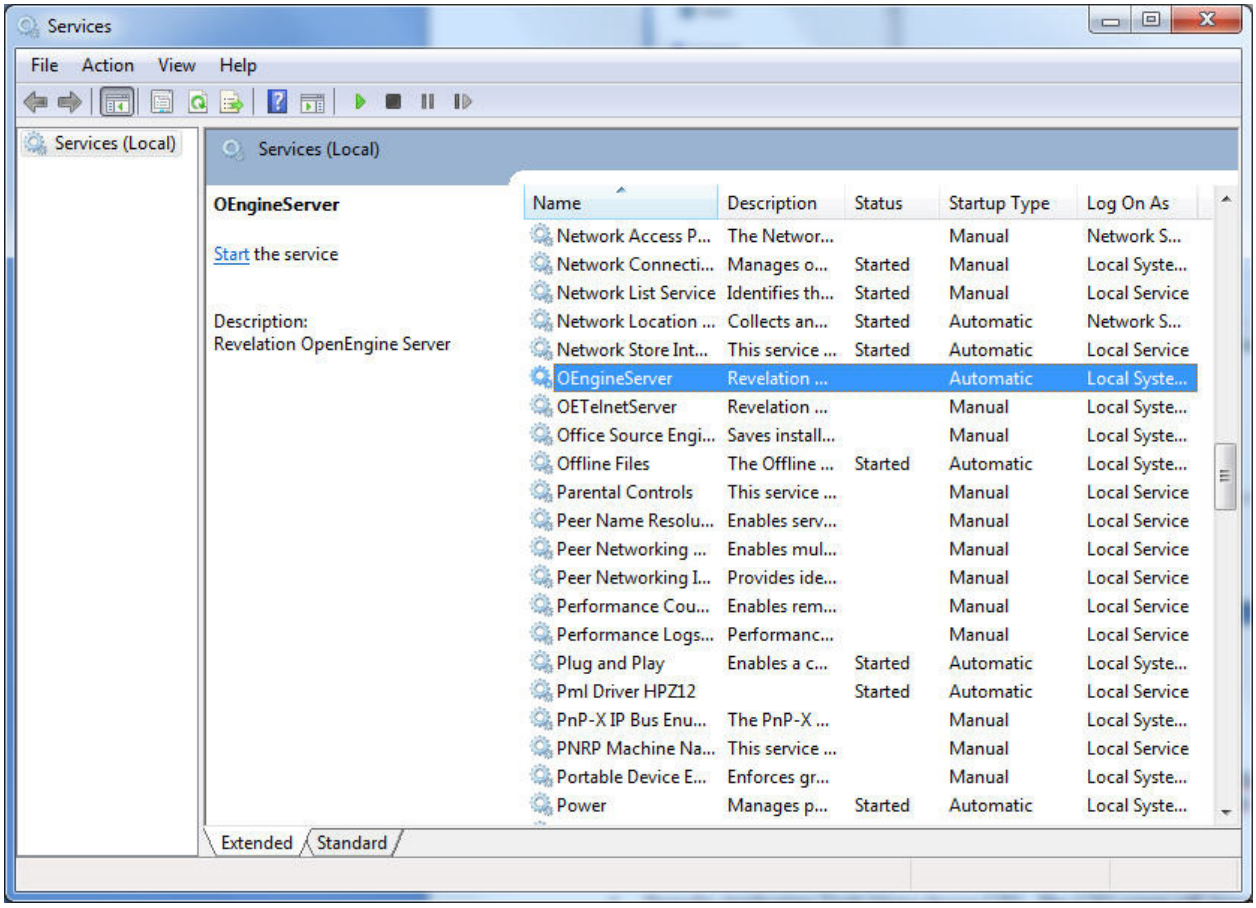
   You r system will require the 32-bit Java Runtime environment which can be downloaded at:
   http://www.java.com/en/download/index.jsp



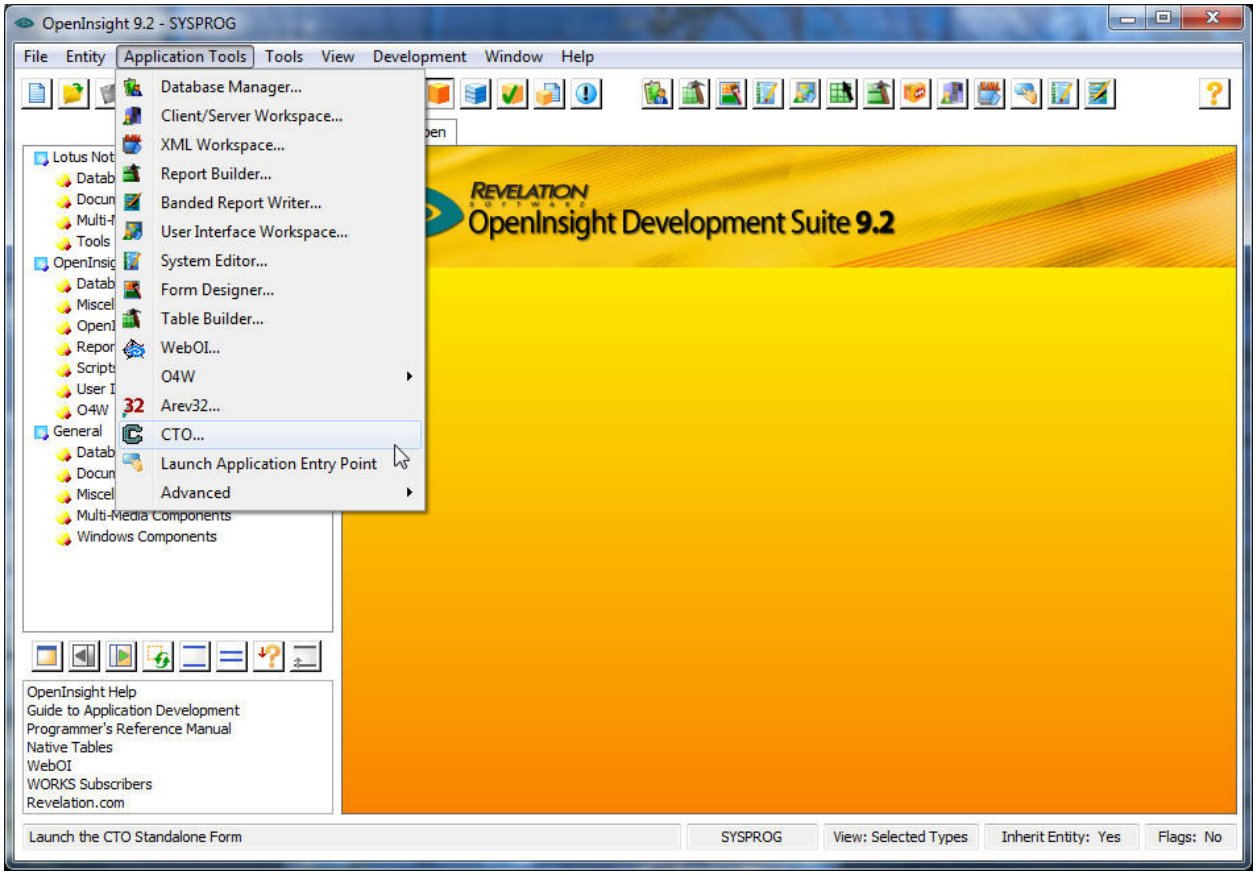
2. To install the OEngineServer as a service double-click on the InstallApp-NT.bat file found in the OESERVER folder within your OpenInsight directory.



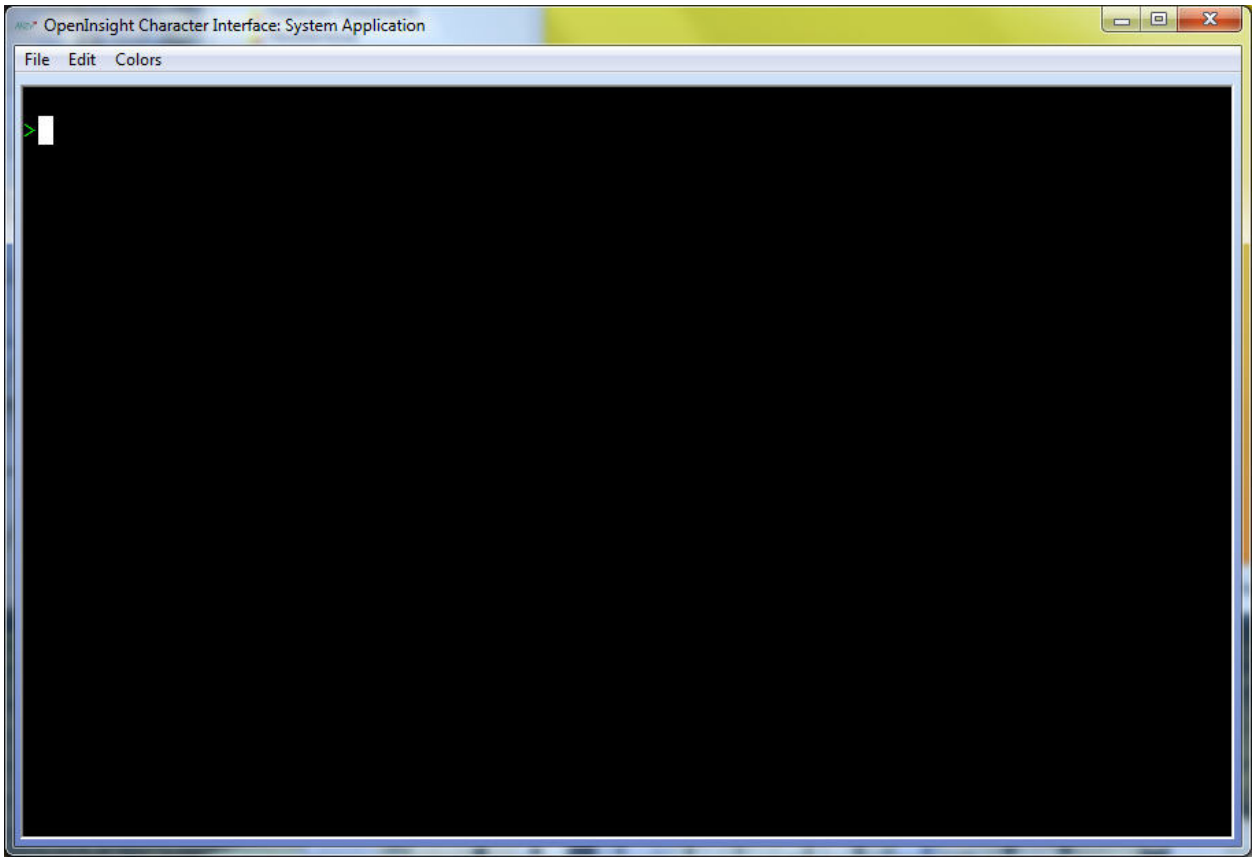
3. The OEngineServer will be installed as a service. It will need to be started.

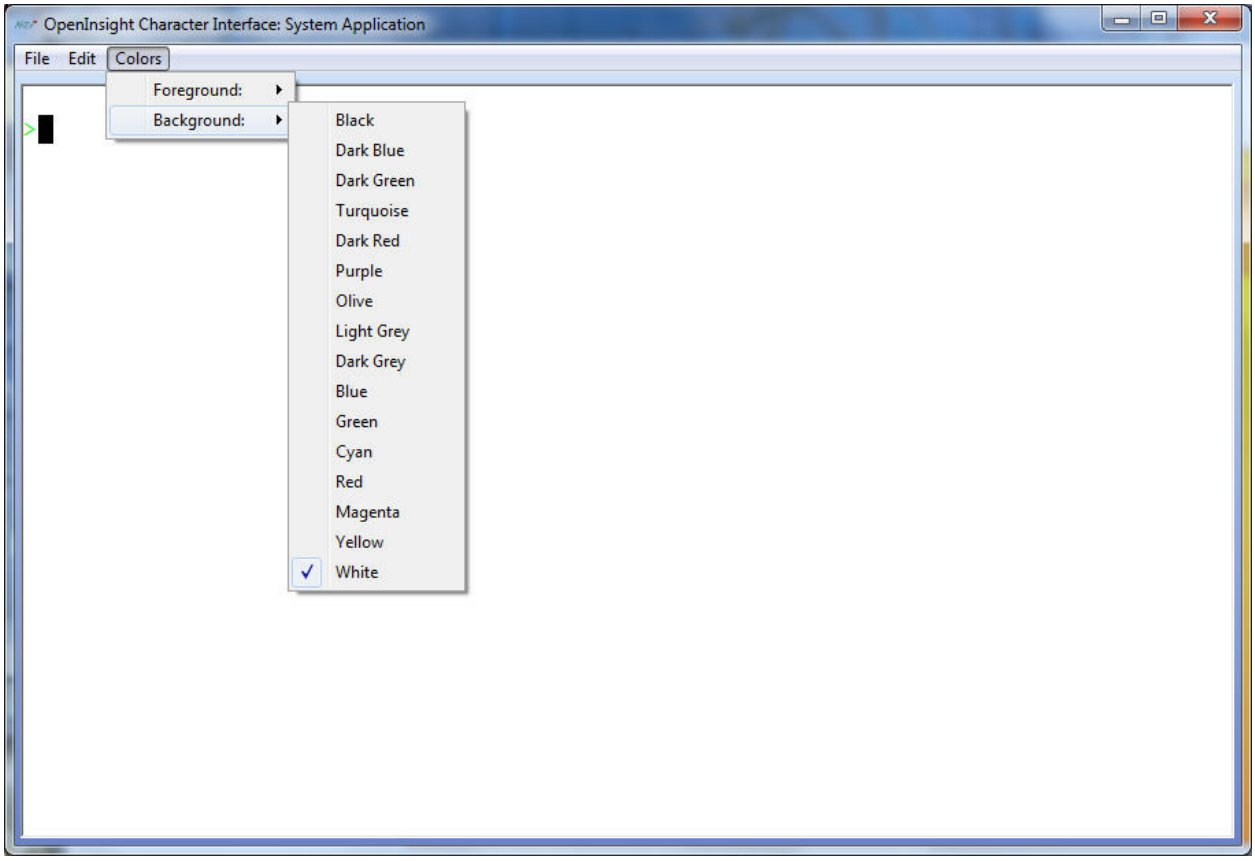


4. From the Application Tools Menu choose CTO. The CTO screen will launch to the TCL prompt. You can also set your foreground and background colors.



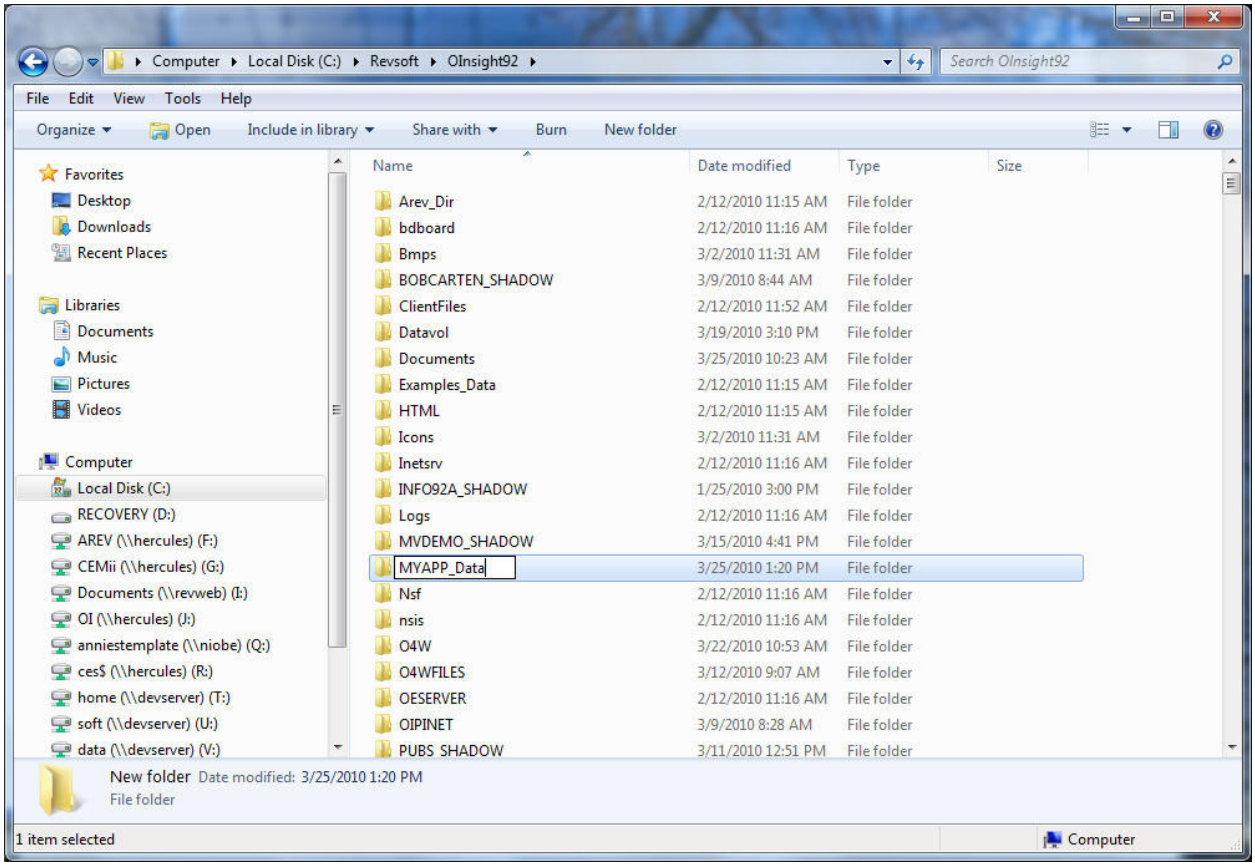
5. You can set your foreground and background colors from the Colors menu on the CTO Standalone Form.



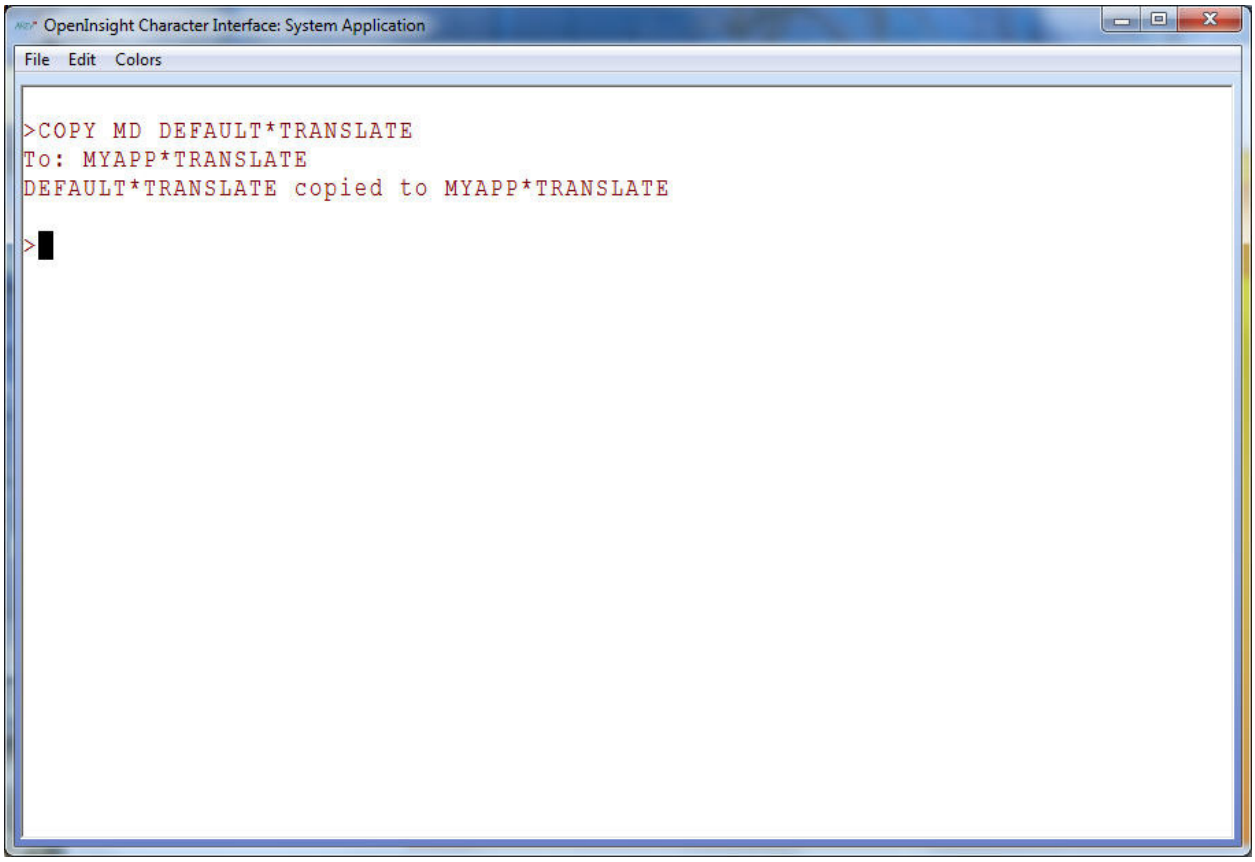


II. Creating your TRANSLATE configuration item

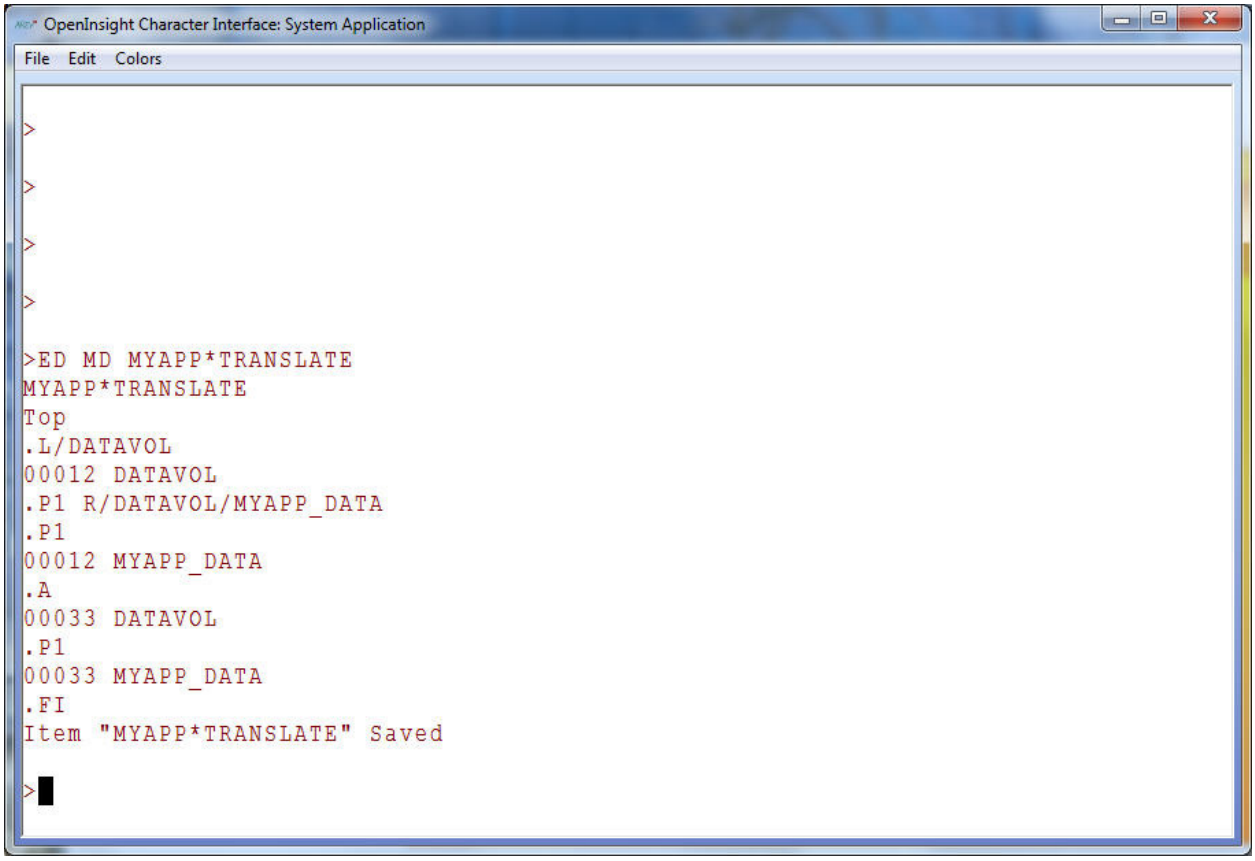
6. Using Windows Explorer create a new folder to store the data and dictionaries for your application. In our example we will create an application called MYAPP and store the data and dictionary tables in a folder called MYAPP_Data located within the OpenInsight directory.



7. From the TCL prompt copy the **DEFAULT*TRANSLATE** item found in the Master Dictionary to **MYAPP*TRANSLATE** using the **COPY** command from TCL.

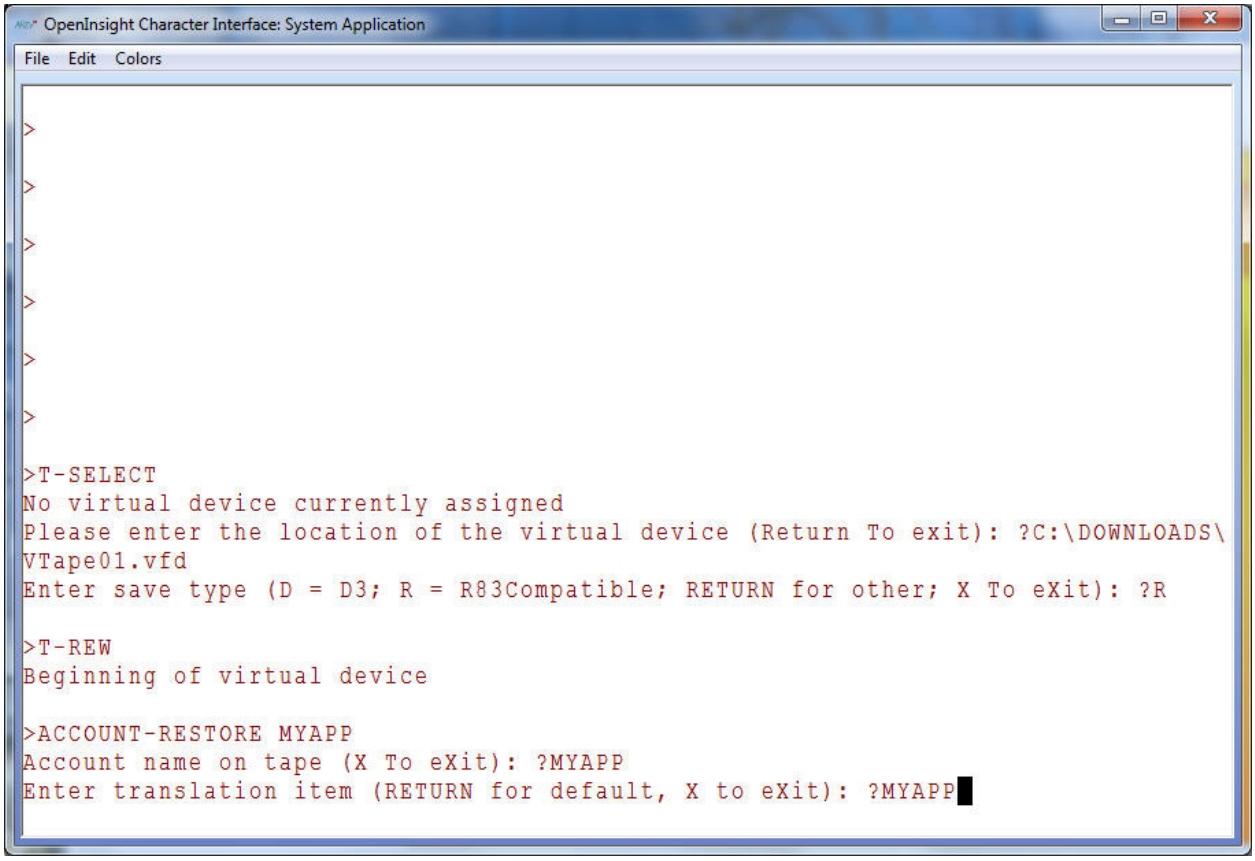


8. Using the editor (**ED**), modify the **MYAPP*TRANSLATE** item in the **MD** to tell the ACCOUNT-RESTORE process where to load your data and dictionaries.

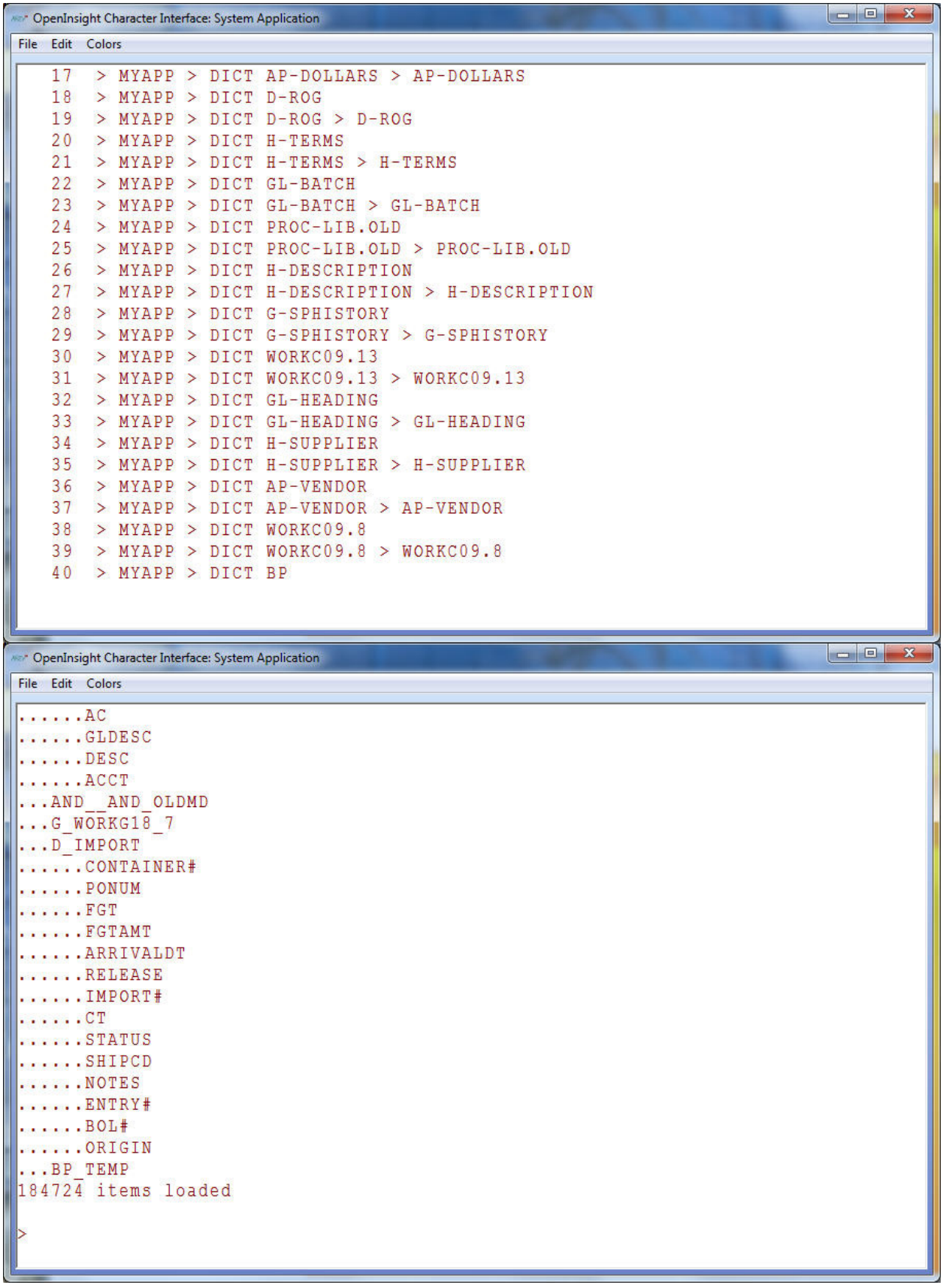


III. Selecting your virtual tape

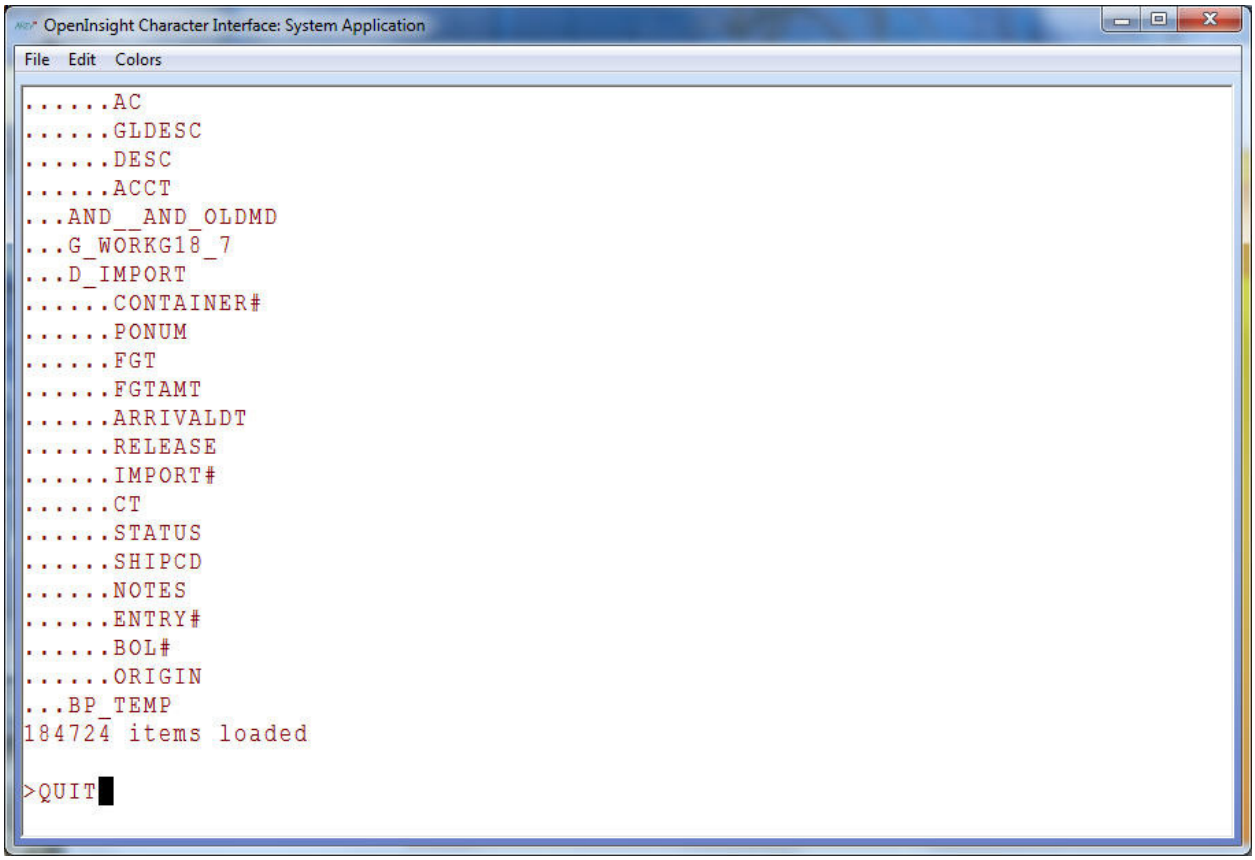
9. To select your virtual save use the **T-SELECT** command. Enter the full path of your virtual tape and save type.



10. Use the **ACCOUNT-RESTORE** command to start your restore.
11. Enter APPLICATION_NAME (**MYAPP**)
12. Enter the account name on the virtual tape (**MYAPP**)
13. Enter your TRANSLATION item name (**MYAPP**)

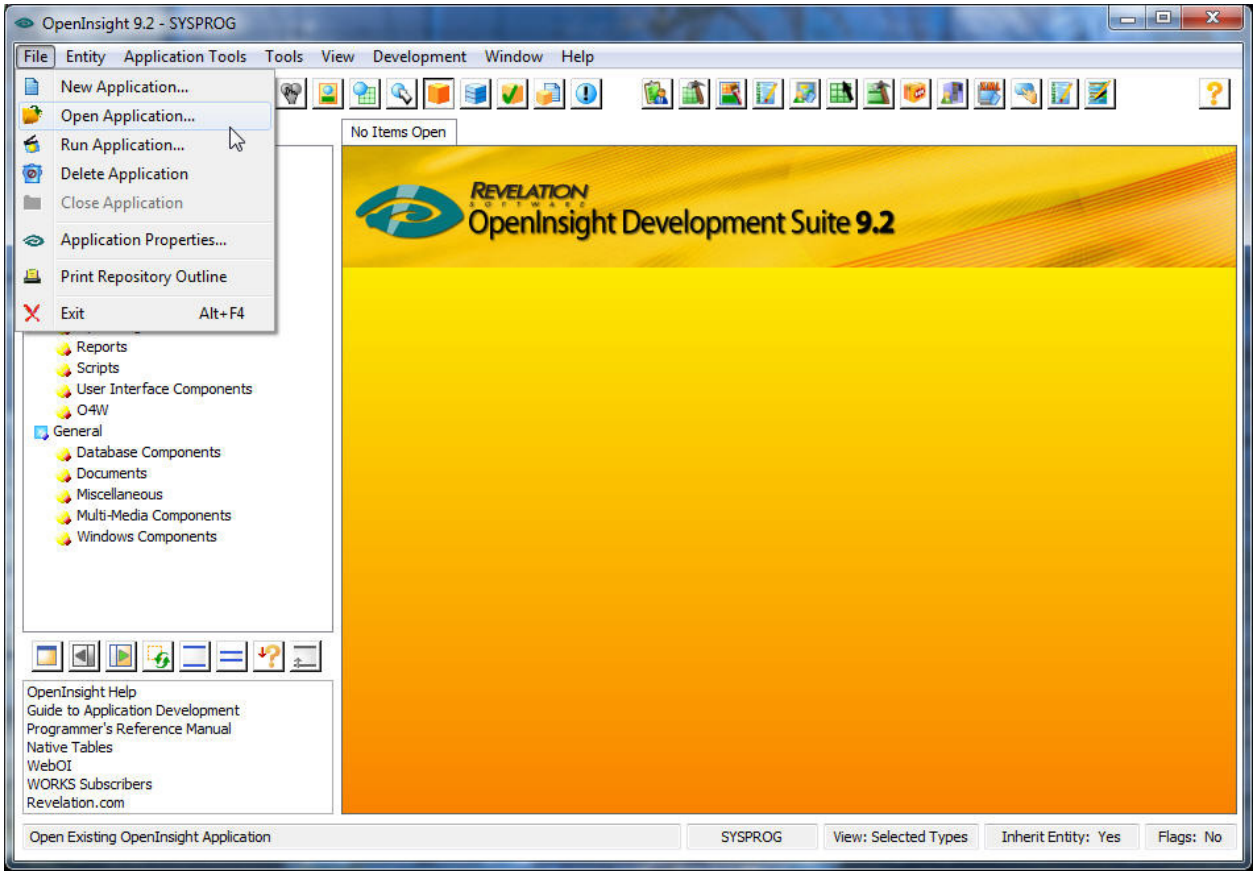


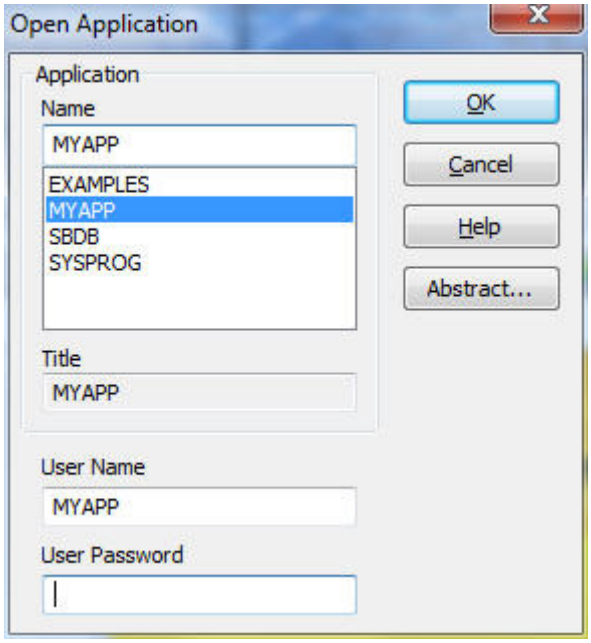
14. The ACCOUNT-RESTORE process will perform a second pass and convert the data dictionaries into OpenInsight format. Once this process is completed type **QUIT** to log out of SYSPROG and close the CTO interface.



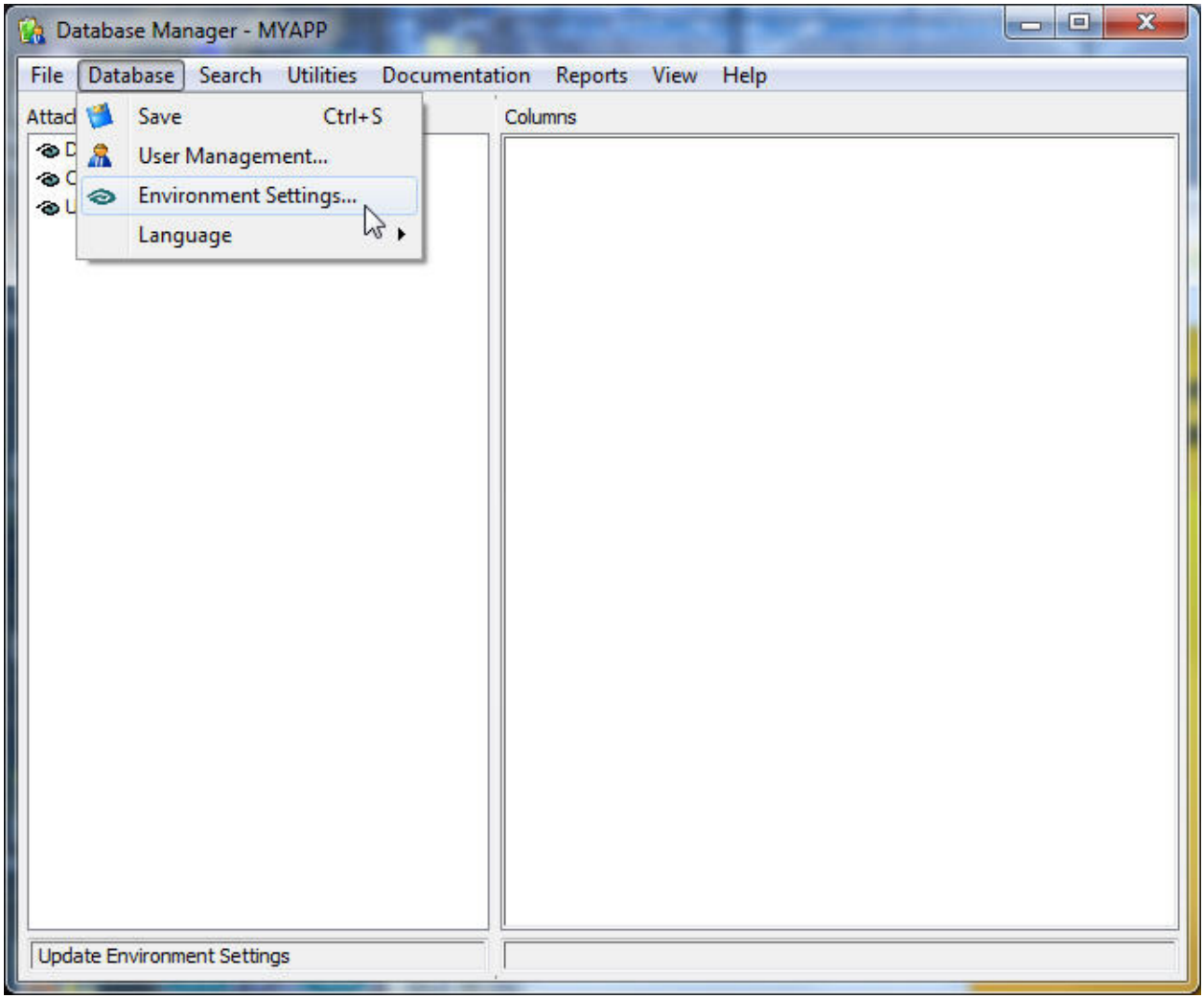
IV. Logging on to your restored application

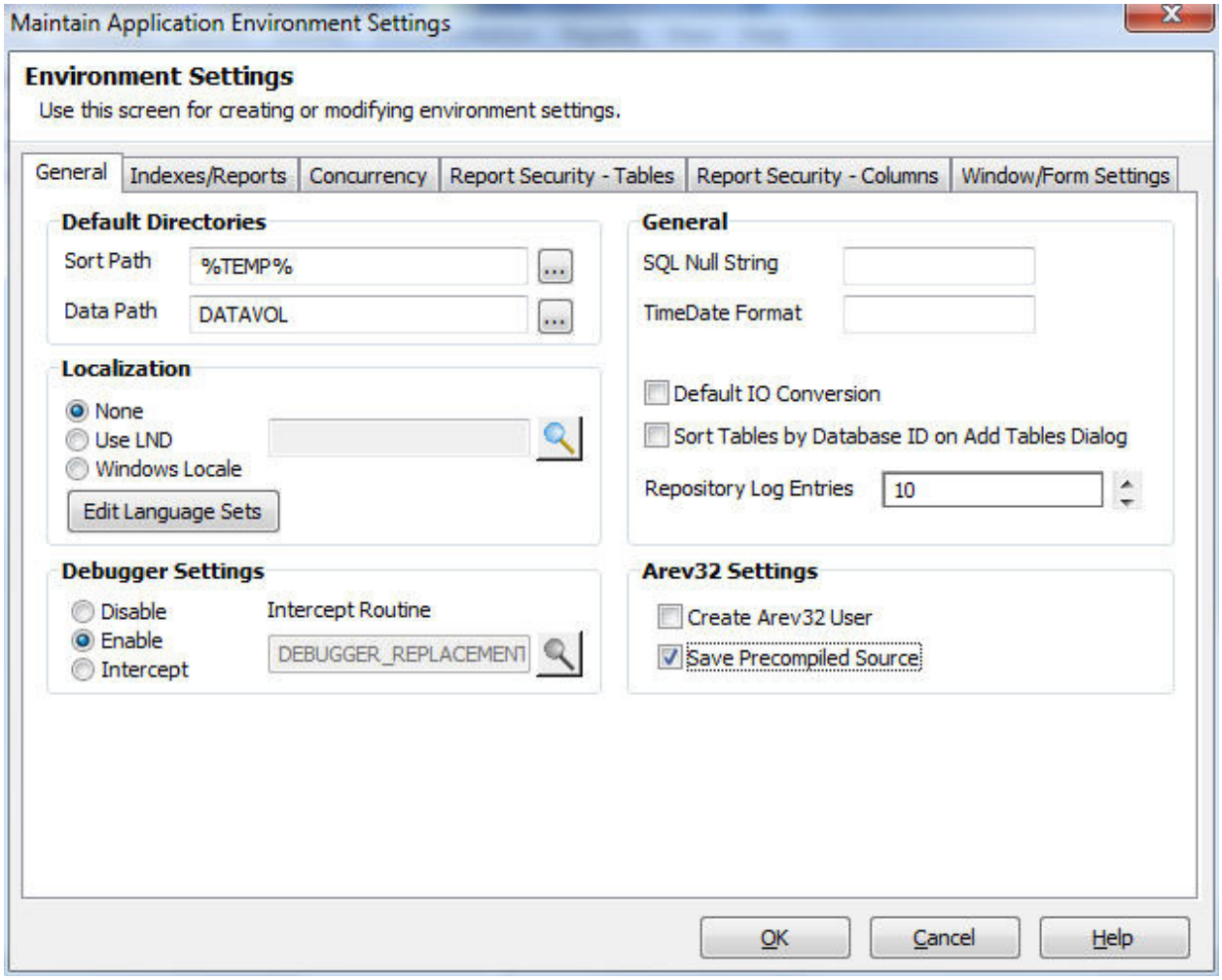
15. In our example the ACCOUNT-RESTORE process has created an application within OpenInsight called MYAPP. A default user has also been created within that application with the same name as the application itself. From File, Open Application, select application **MYAPP** and User Name **MYAPP** to log on to your newly restored application.

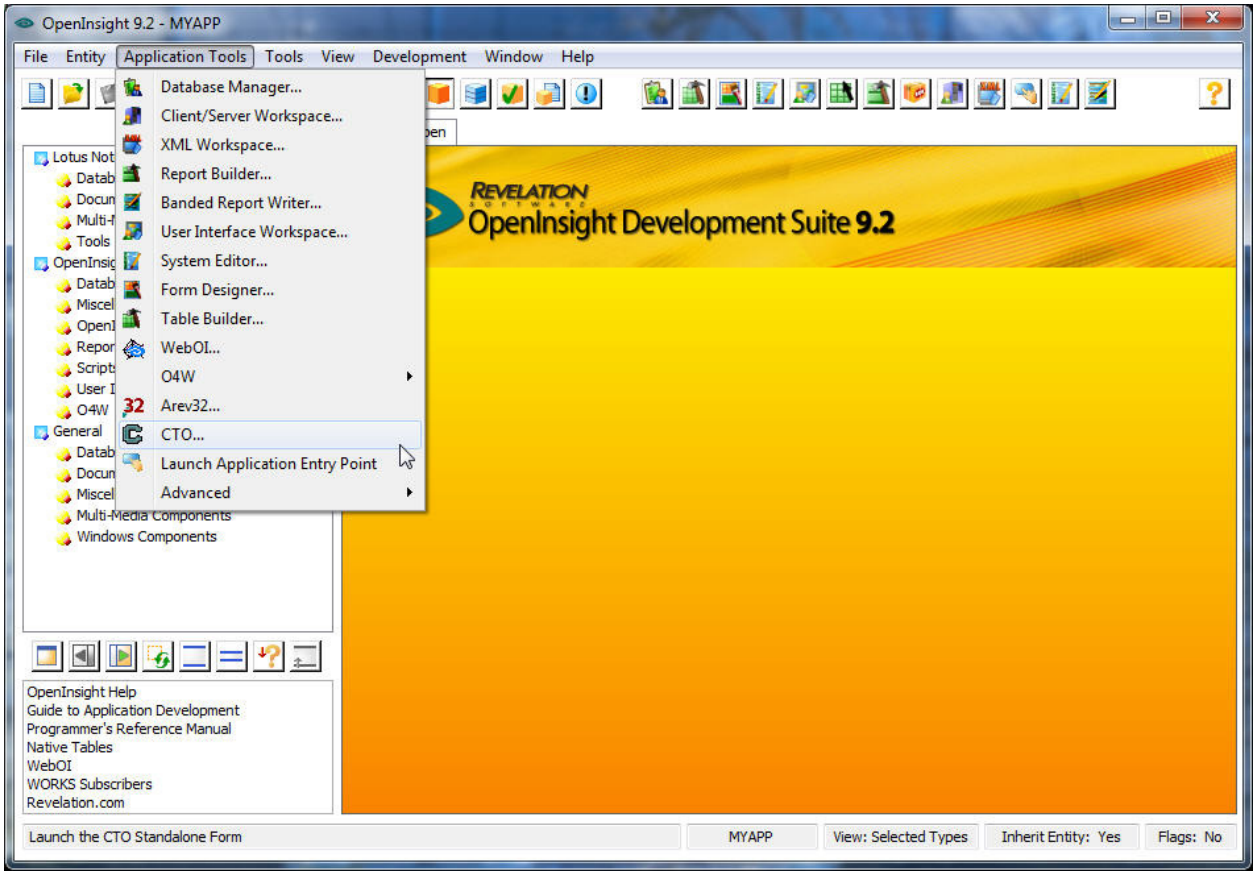


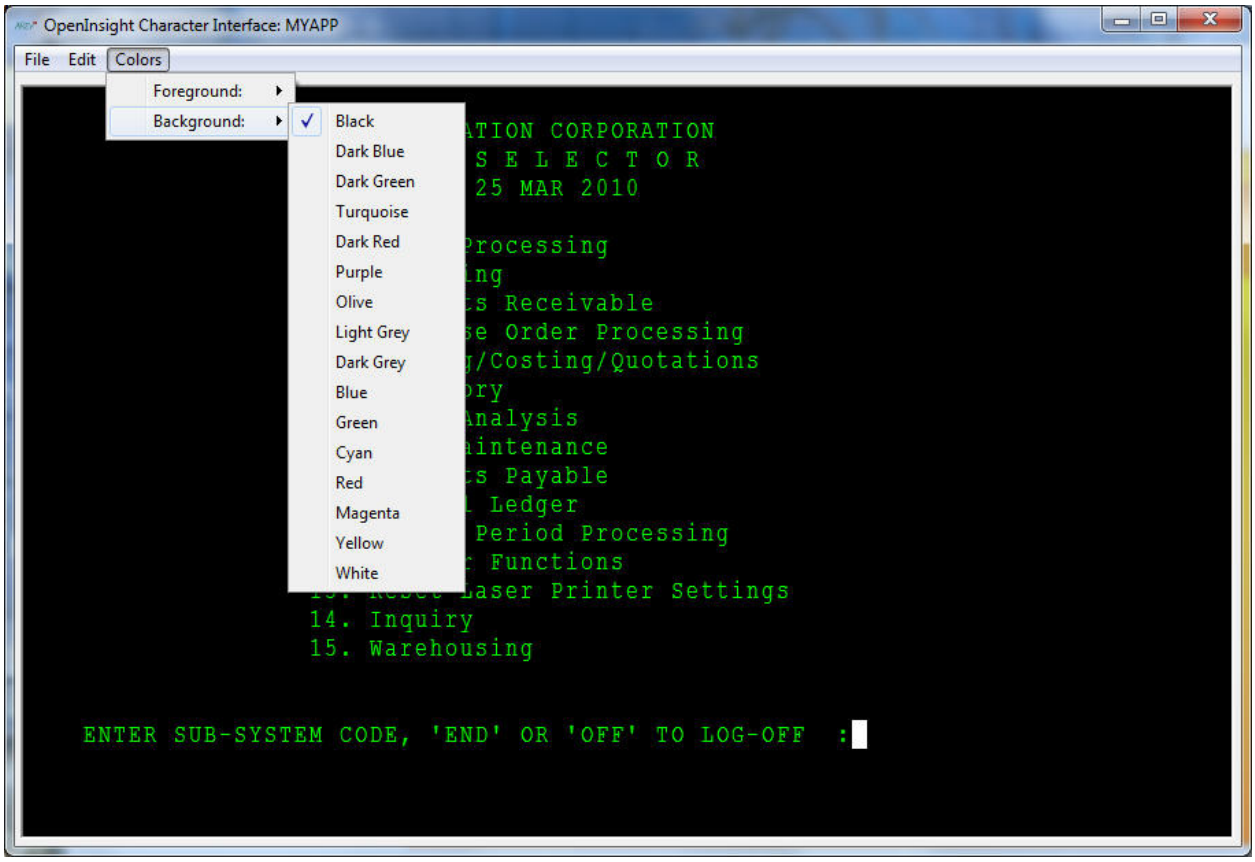


16. Once logged on to the MYAPP application go to the Database Manager and set your Environment Settings. You can also choose to set your foreground and background colors for the MYAPP application.



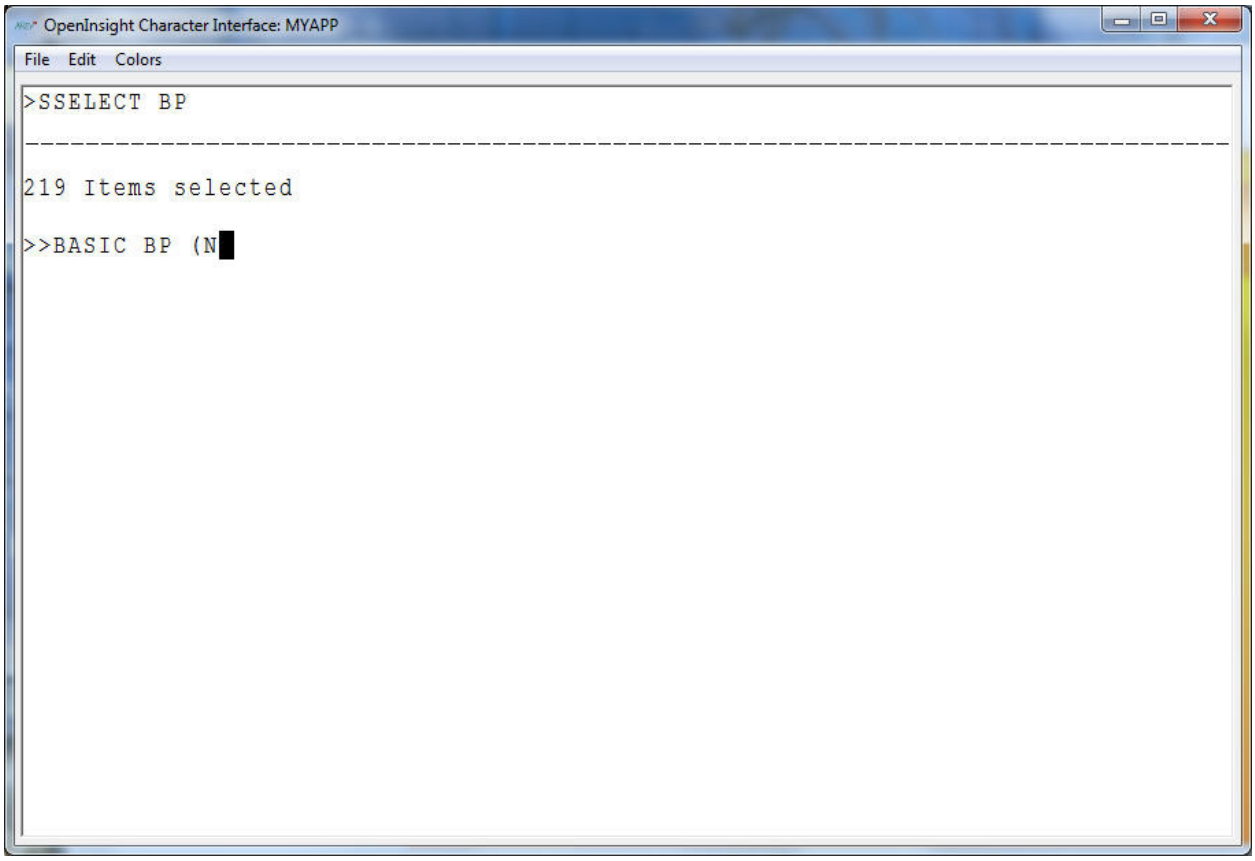


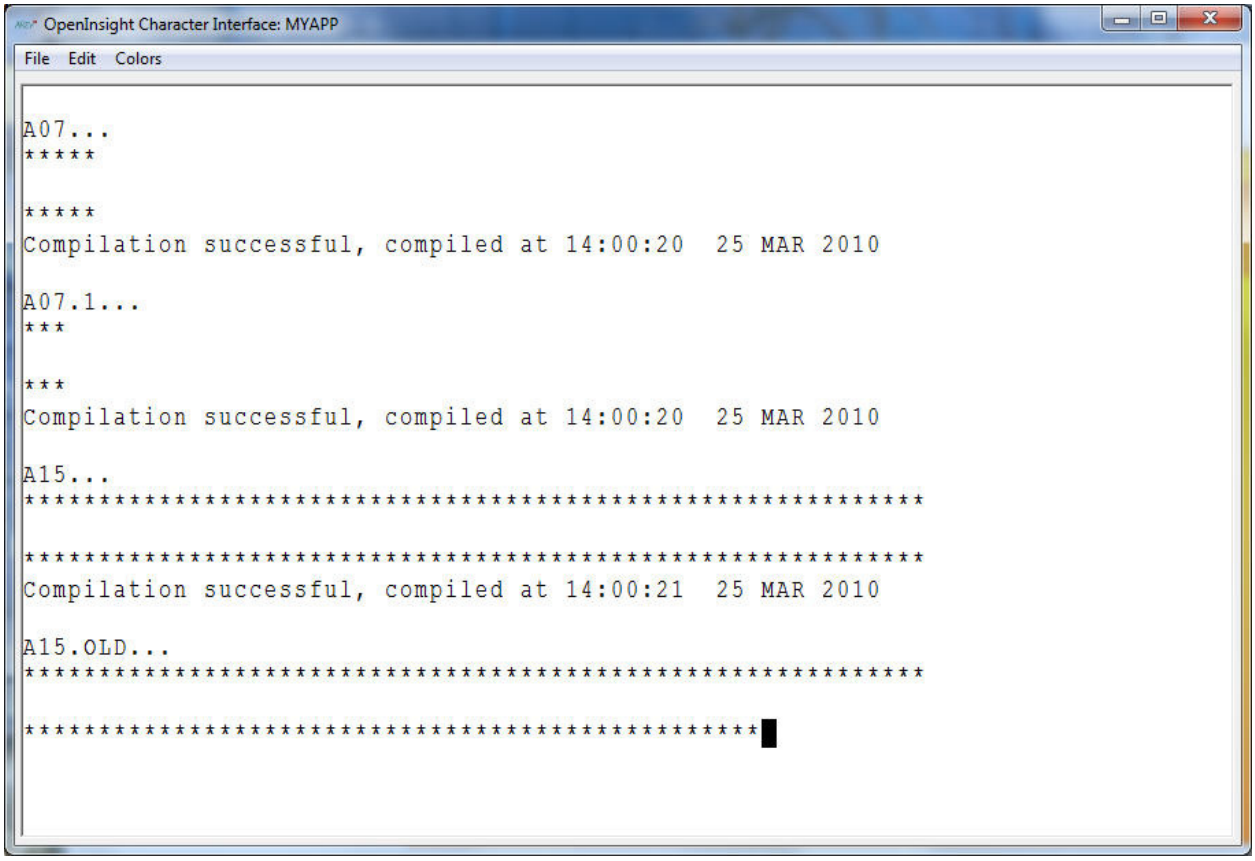


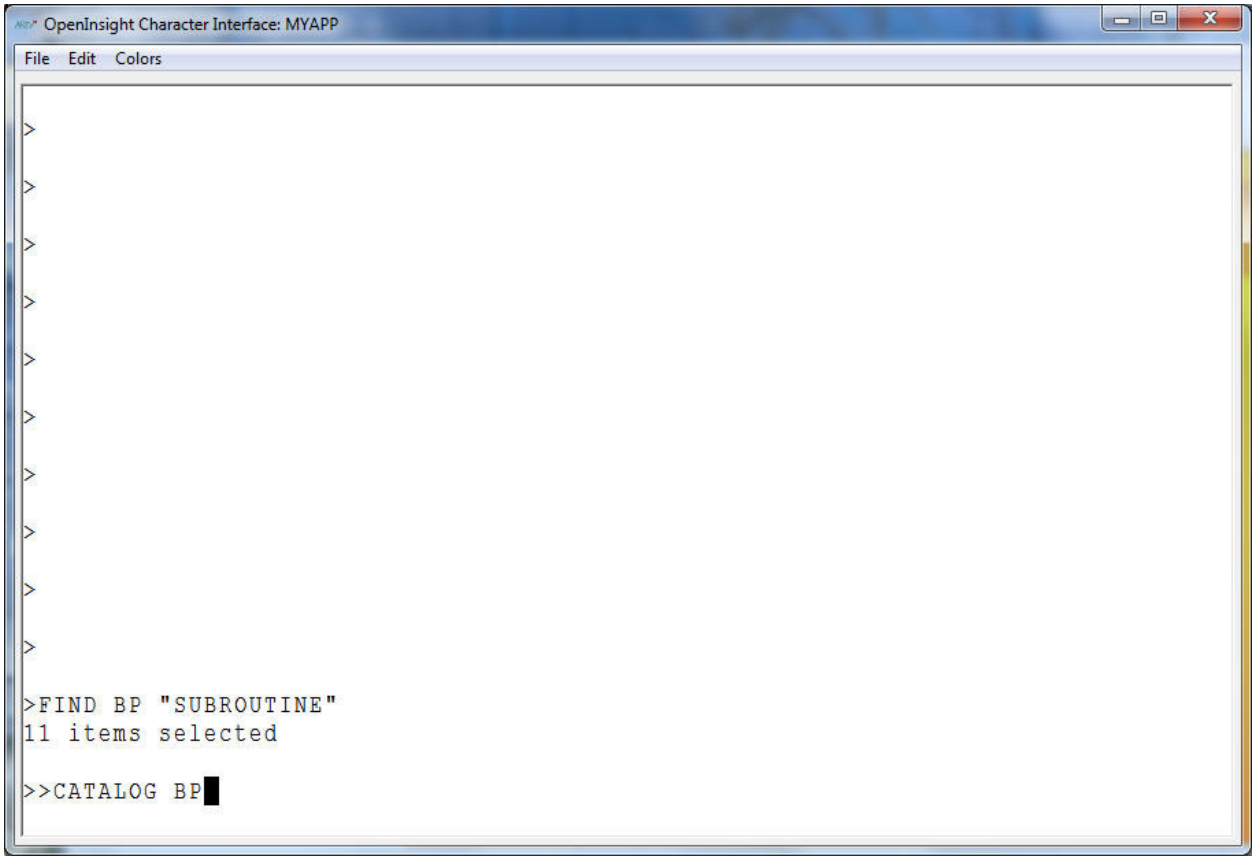


V. Compiling and debugging your programs

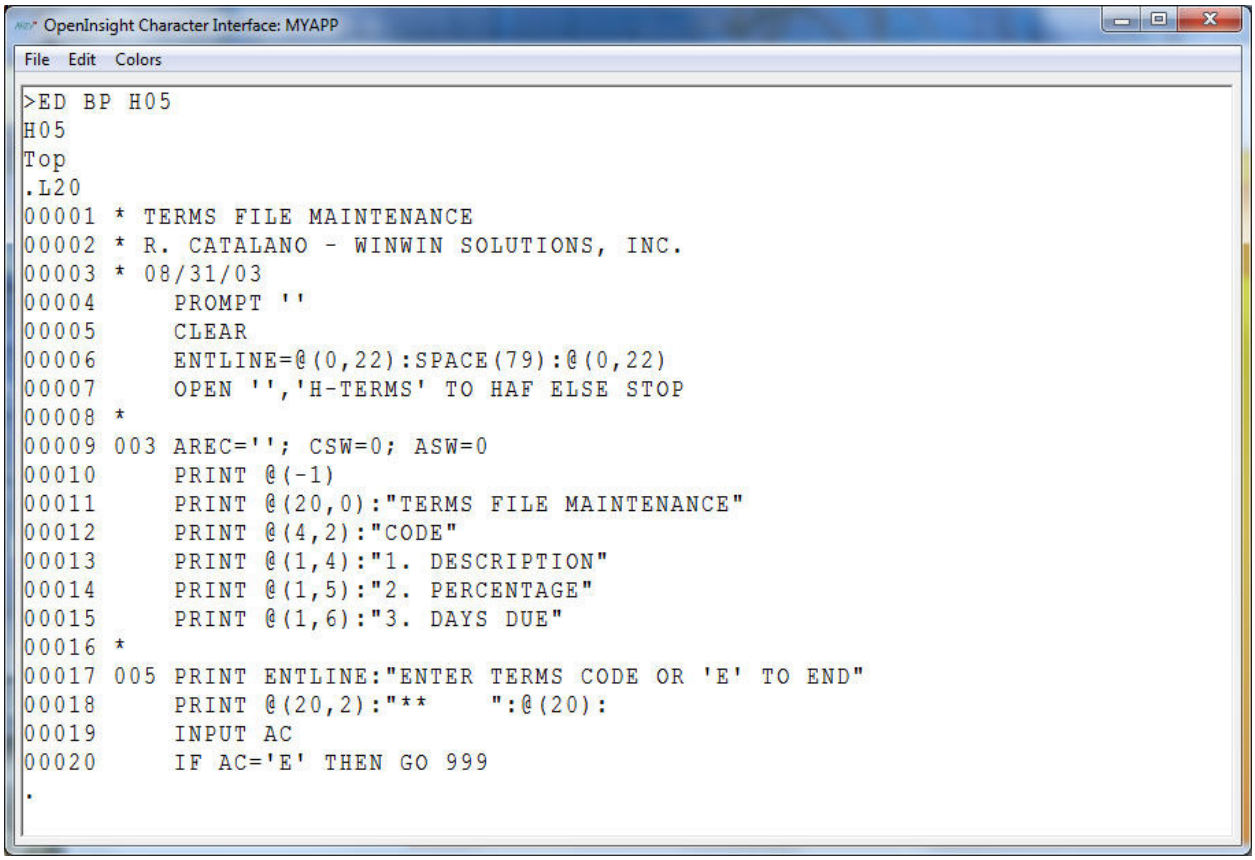
17. During the ACCOUNT-RESTORE process, only your source code is restored. Source code must be compiled and subroutines must be compiled and cataloged.
18. Programs can be compiled using the BASIC command from TCL or by using FIB from the line editor.



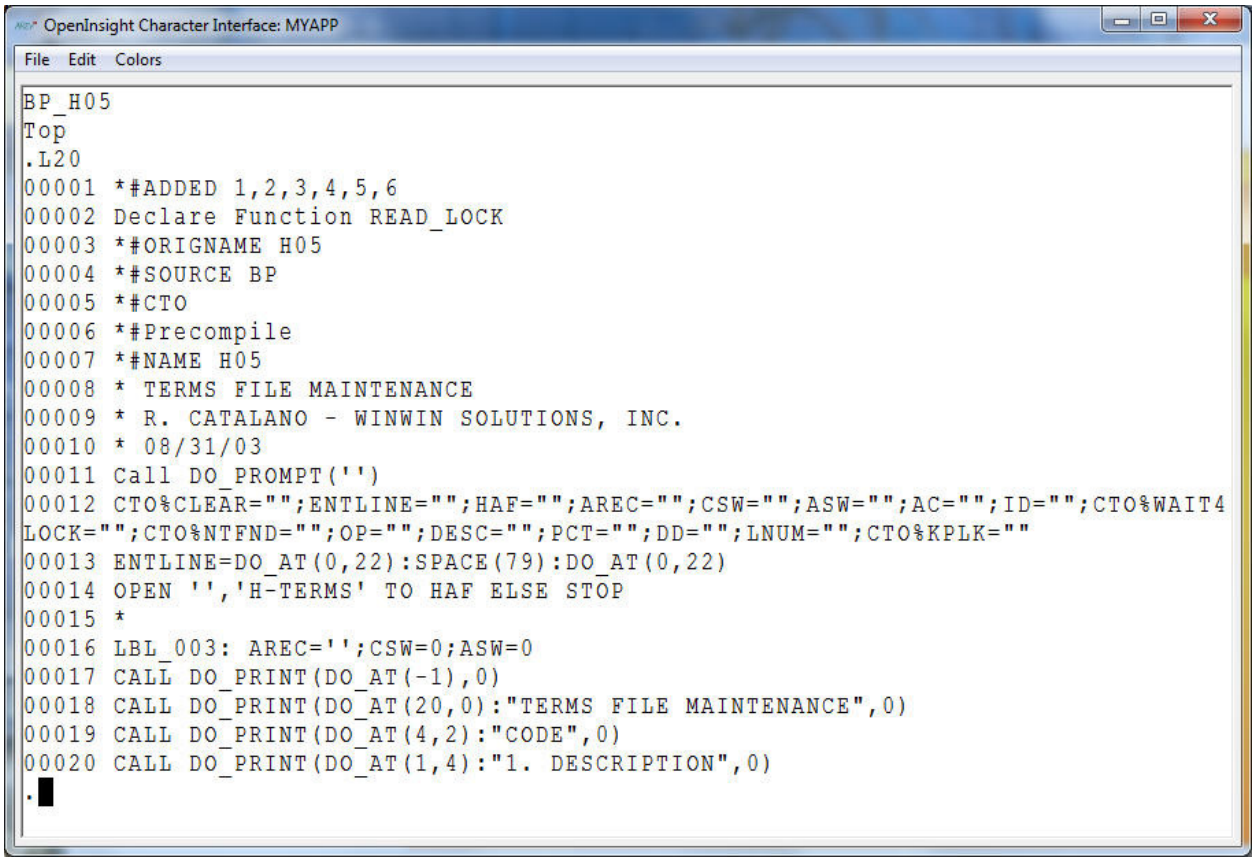




19. Source code can reside in any file/table and can be edited using ED from the TCL command prompt.

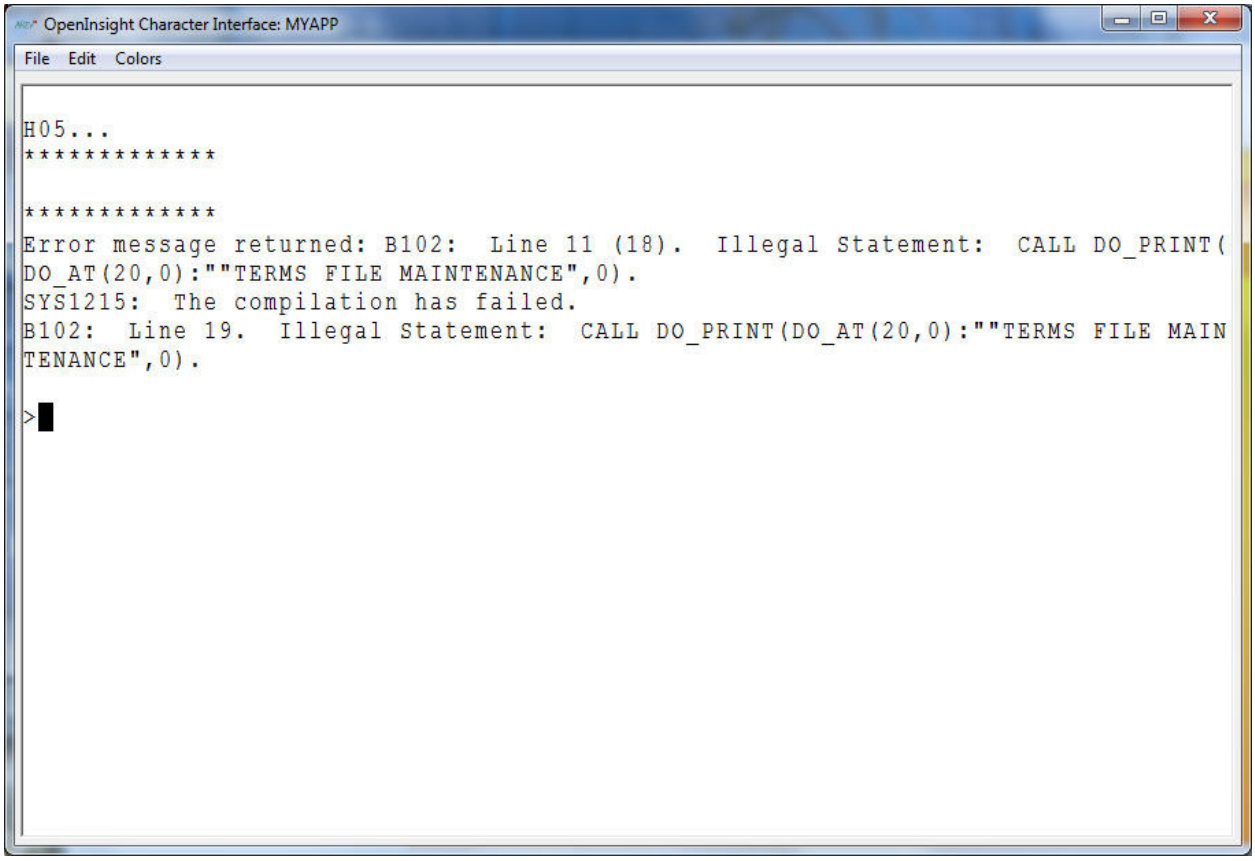


20. When source code is compiled from the CTO interface, it is actually passed through a pre-compiler. A copy of the pre-compiled source code is stored in a table called OI_PRECOMPILED_CODE with a key of TABLENAME_PROGRAMNAME. To examine the pre-compiled source code for the program H05 located in the file BP type the following: ED OI_PRECOMPILED_CODE BP_H05

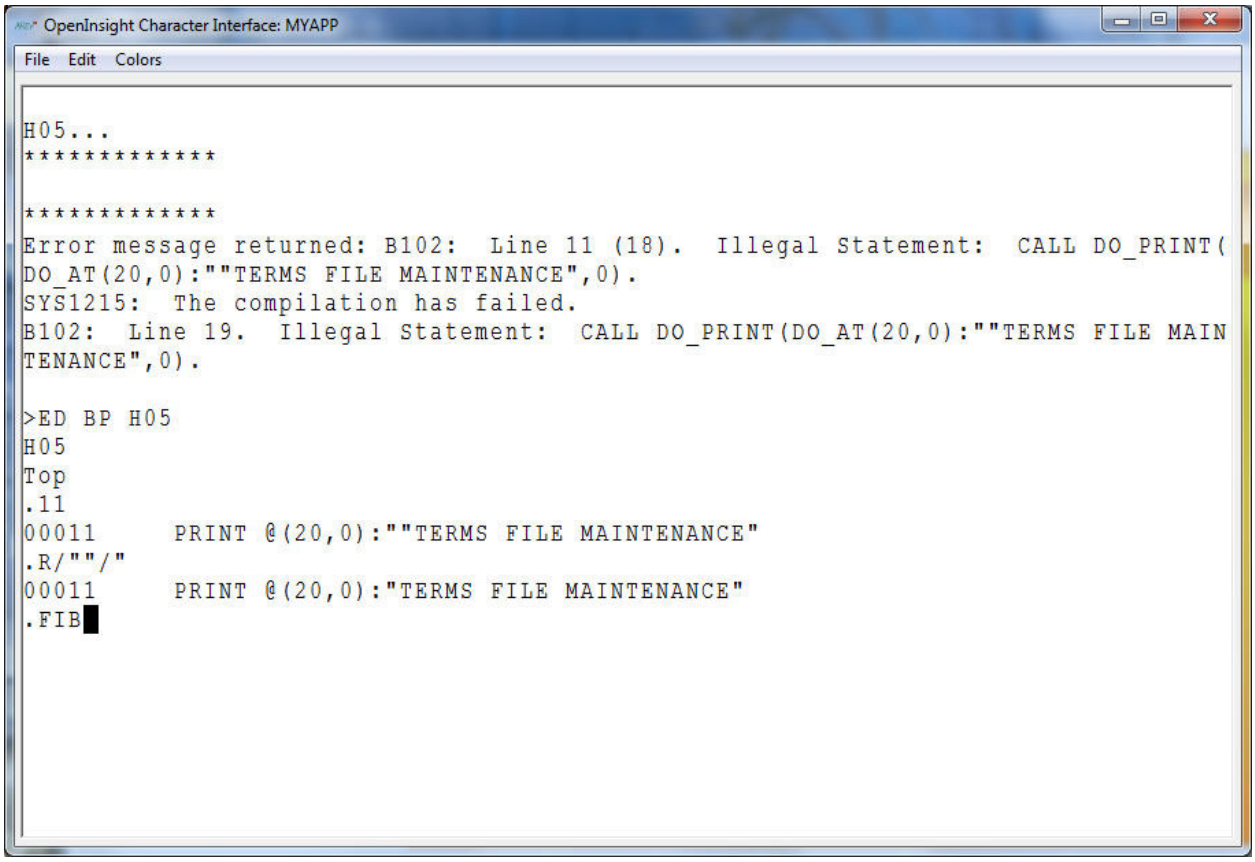


21. Program errors are reported by the compiler. The OpenInsight compiler compiles and reports errors on the source code found in the table OI_PRECOMPILED_CODE.

22. In the example below an error has been found on line (17) of the source code item BP_H05 in the table OI_PRECOMPILED_CODE.



23. Please note that, although the line number reported refers to the line in the pre-processed version of the source code, program modifications **MUST** be made to your original source code and then re-compiled.



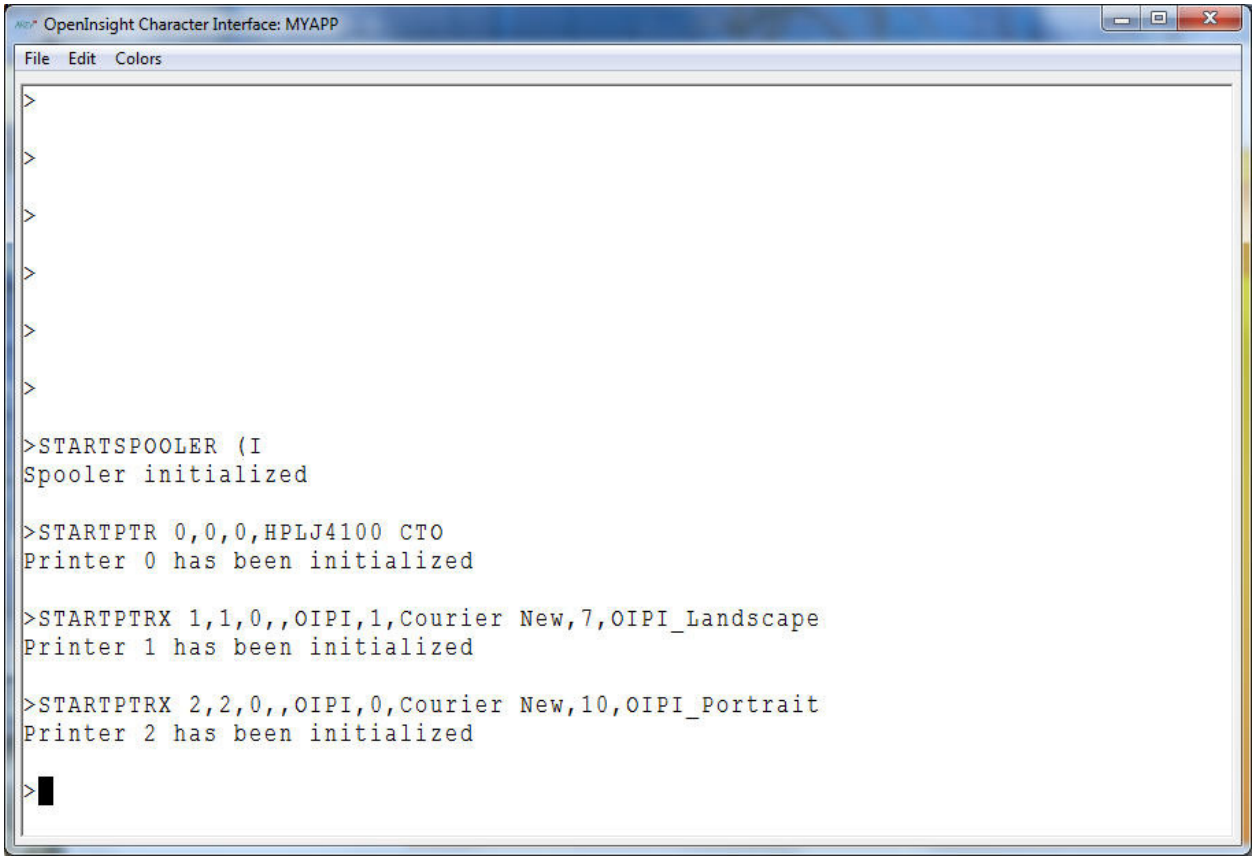
VI. Defining printers and managing the SPOOLER

24. All printers that are defined on the server where the OEngineServer resides are available for use with the CTO.

25. The **STARTPTR & STARTPTRX** commands are used to assign a printer to a form queue for use with the CTO. Using the **STARTPTR** command will define this printer for output using DirectPrint; all control codes, escape sequences, etc. will be passed "as is" to the printer. Using the **STARTPTRX** command allows you to define additional features, including a subroutine that will be invoked when a print job begins and ends, and/or the use of OIPI for output generation. To assign your printer to form queue 0 using DirectPrint type:

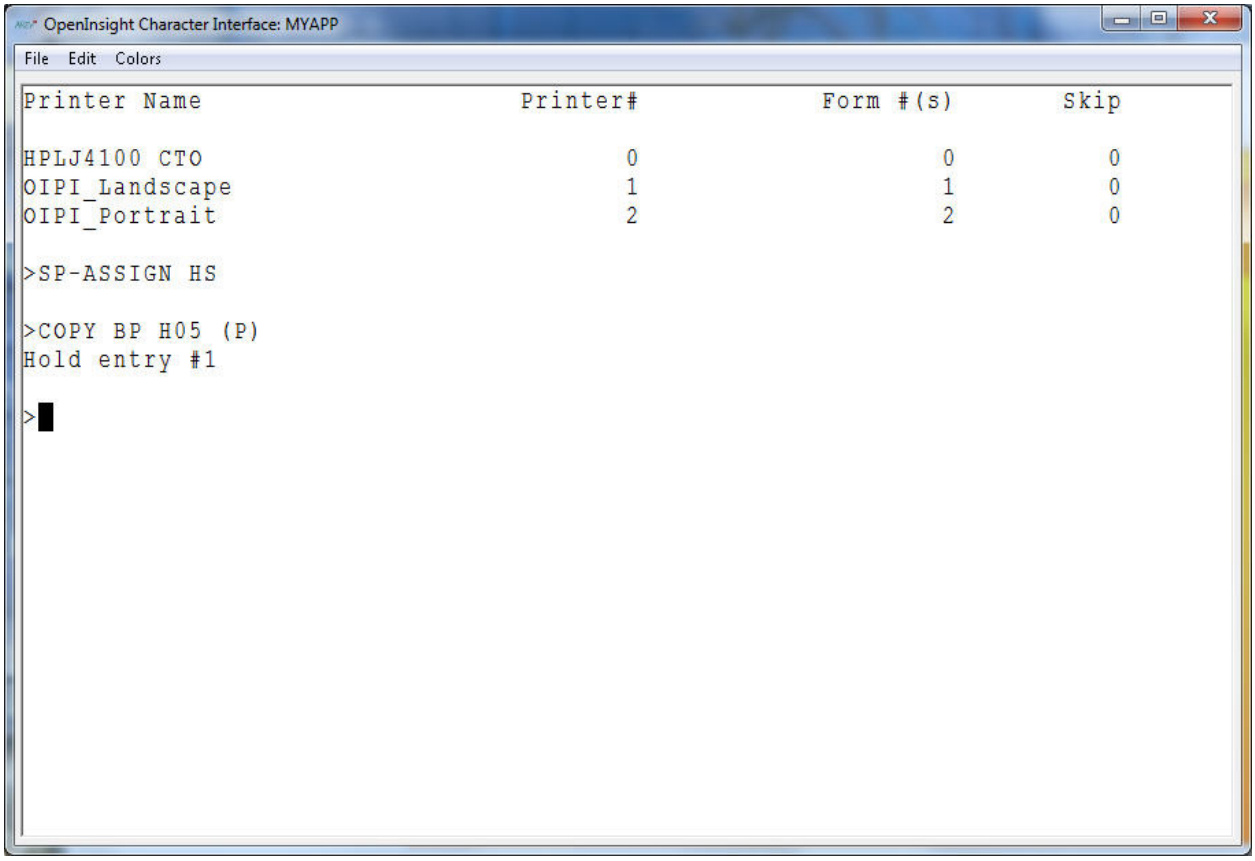
STARTPTR 0,0,0,Windows_Printer_Name
To assign your printer to form queue 1 using OIPI type:

STARTPTRX 1,1,0,,OIPI,1,Courier New,7,OIPI_Landscape

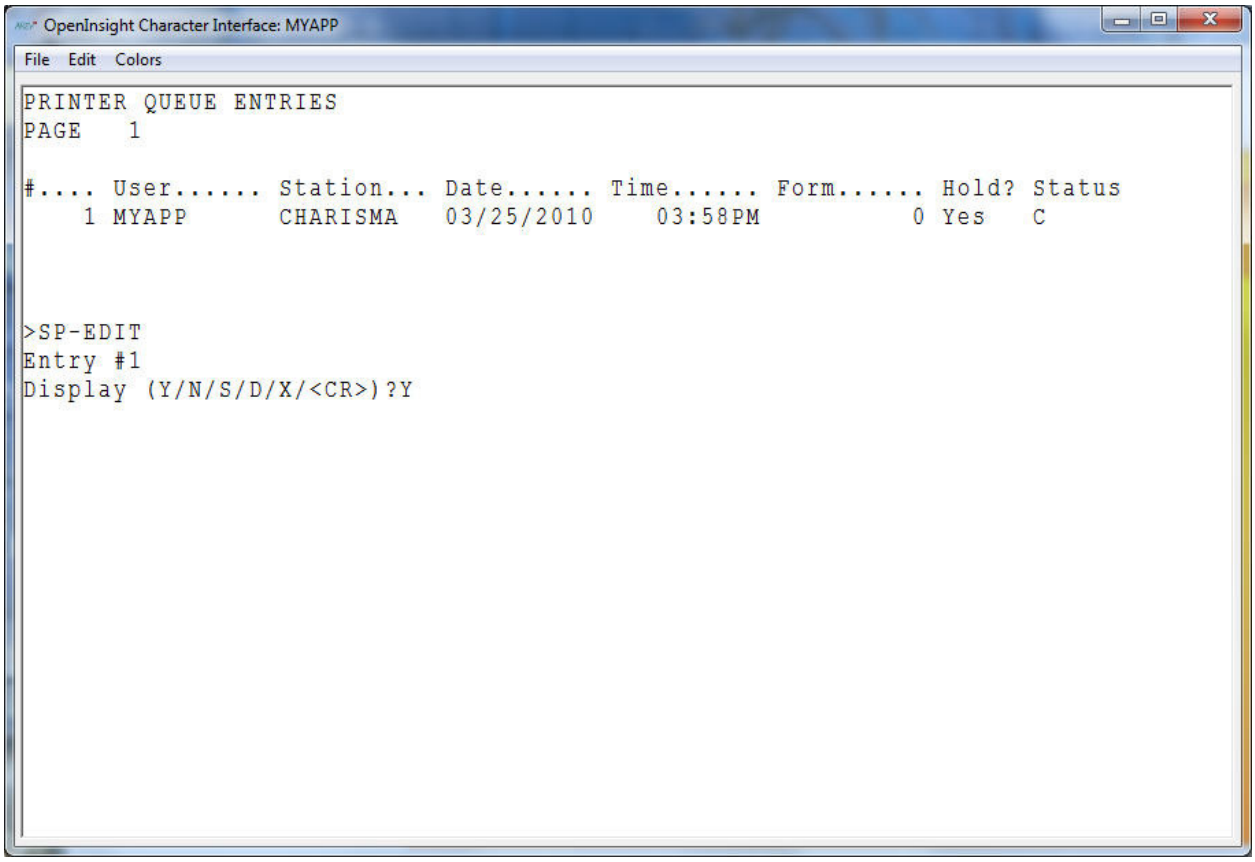


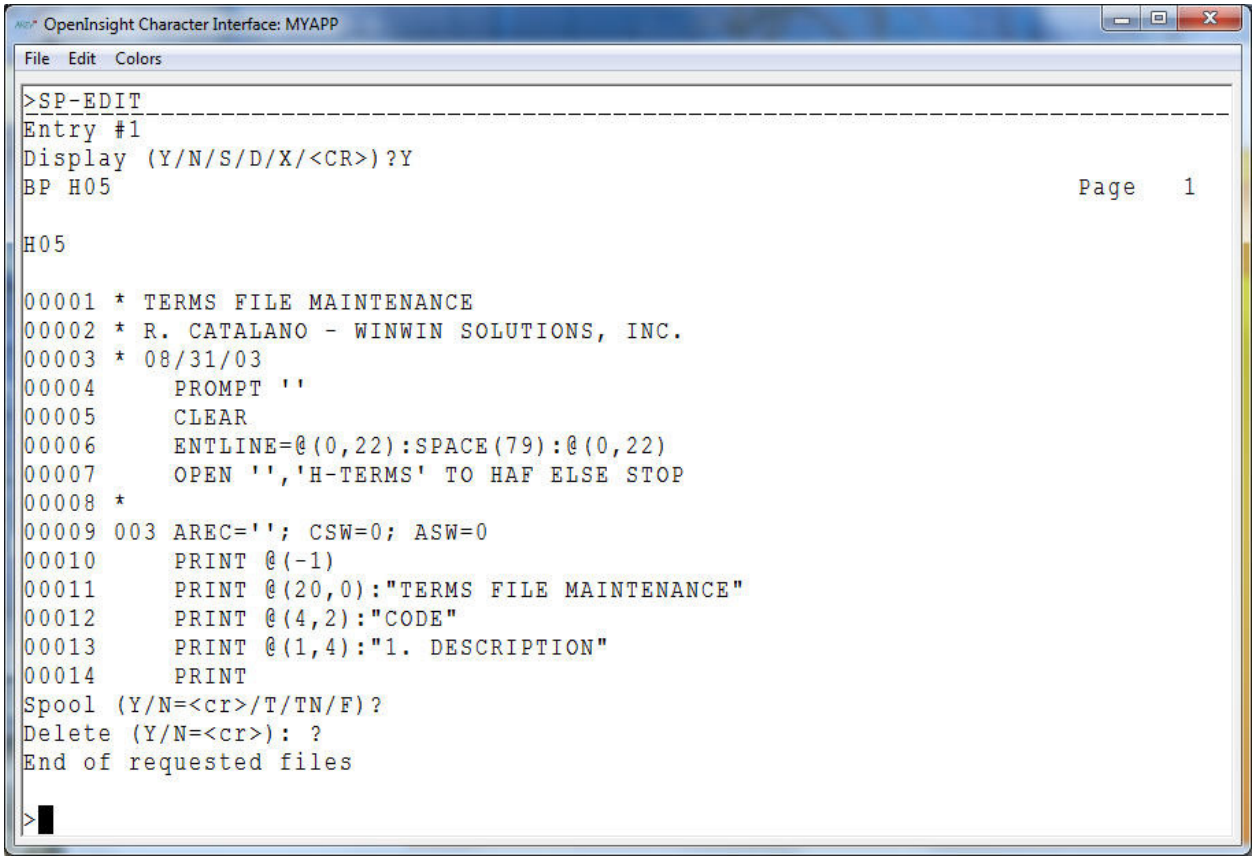
26. The **LISTPTR** command is used to list all printers defined for use with the CTO.

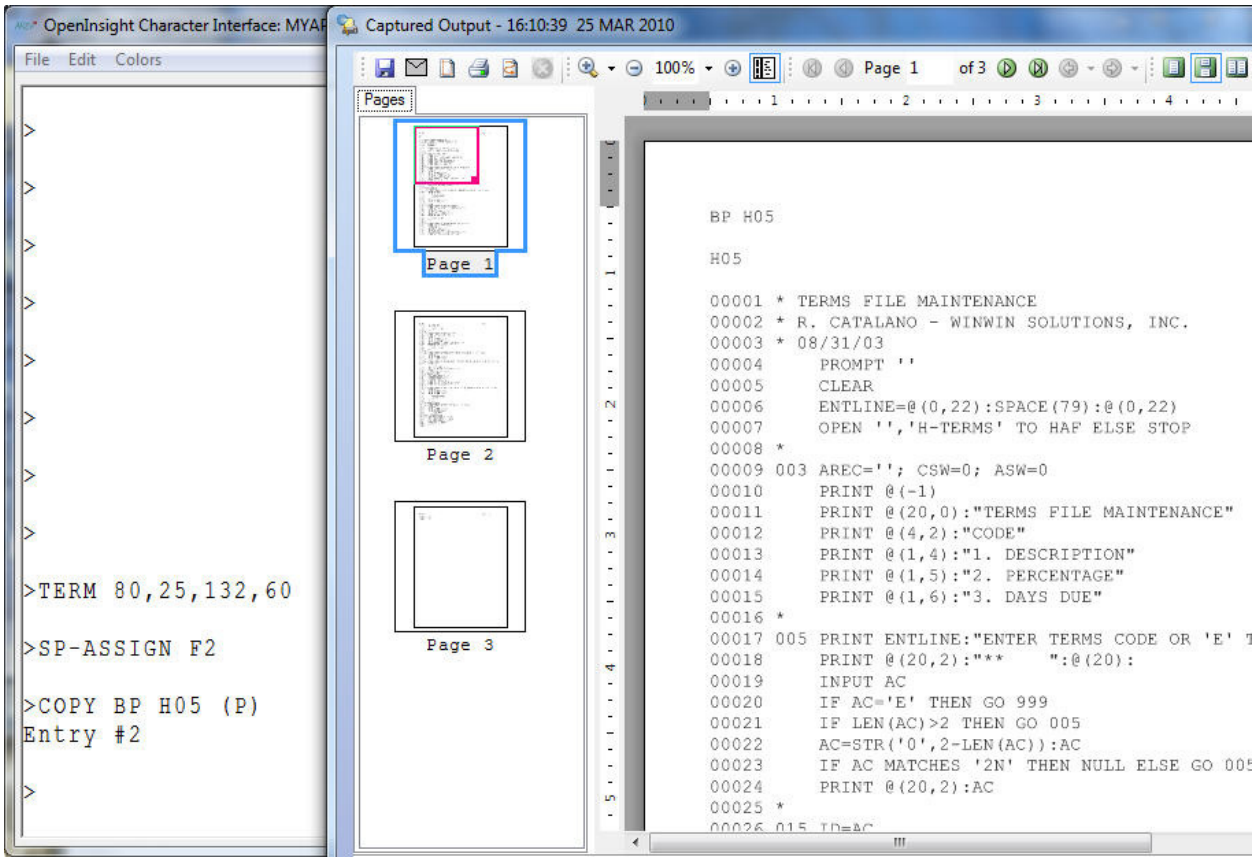
27. Output can be assigned to either a physical form queue or a hold file. To generate output for a hold file, specify “HS” as the output destination in the **SP-ASSIGN** command.



28. Output sent to a hold file can be retrieved using the **SP-EDIT** command. **LISTPEQS** will display all items in the CTO spooler. Output to an OIPI defined printer will be displayed to the print preview window.

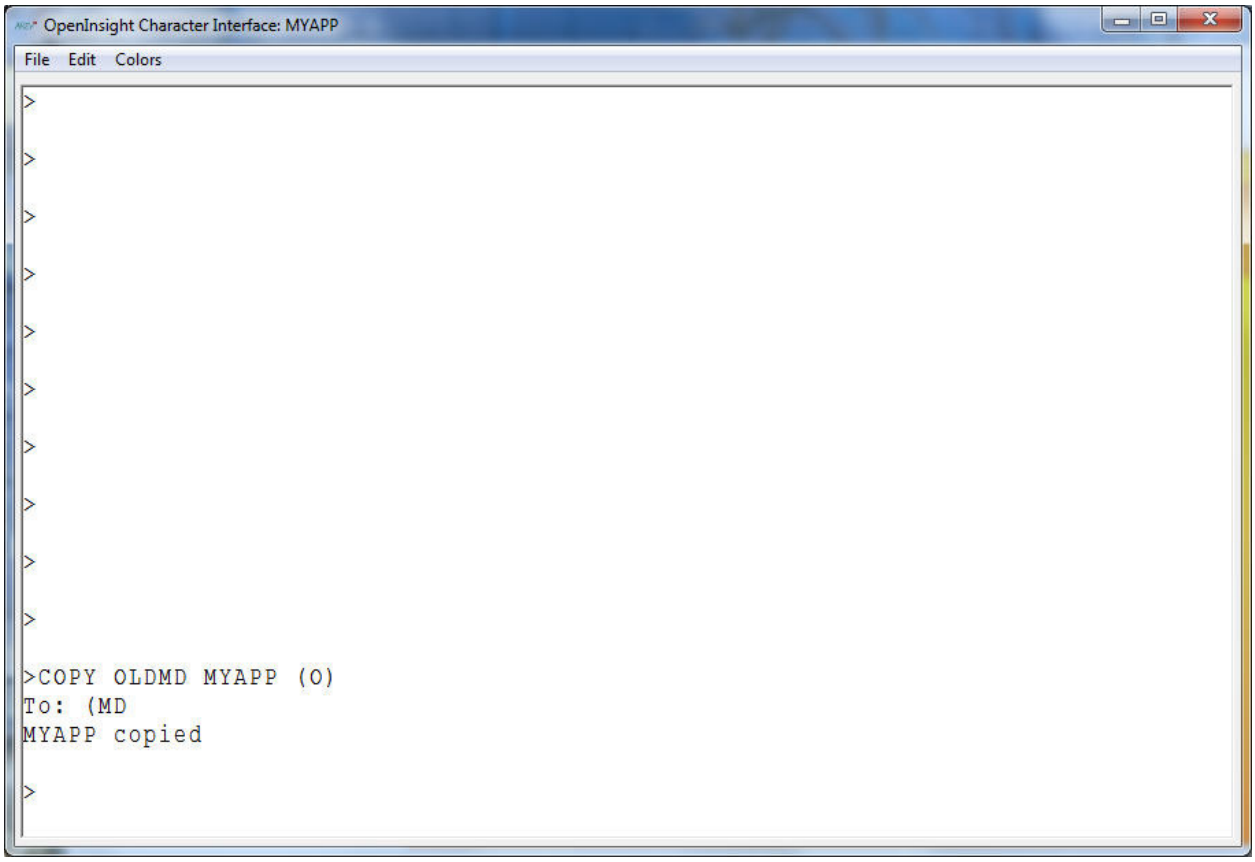


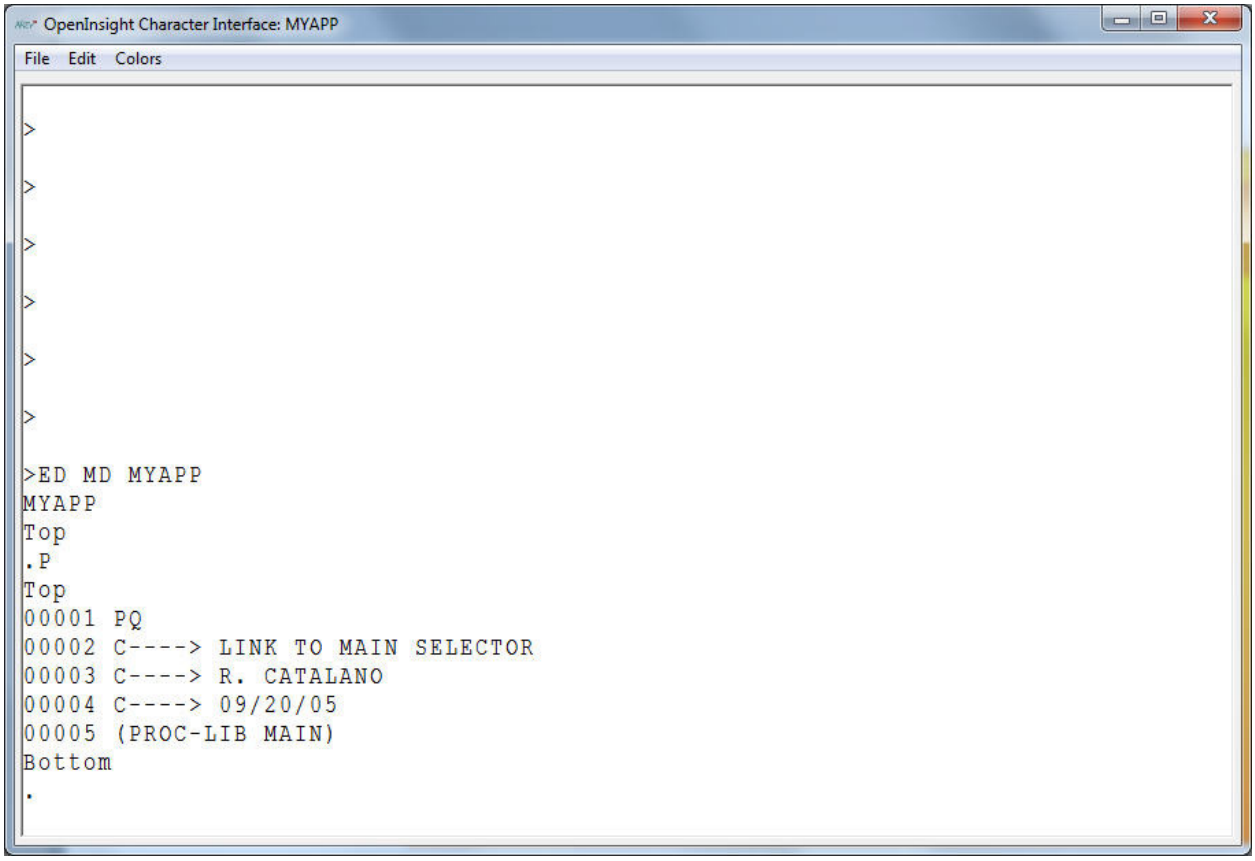


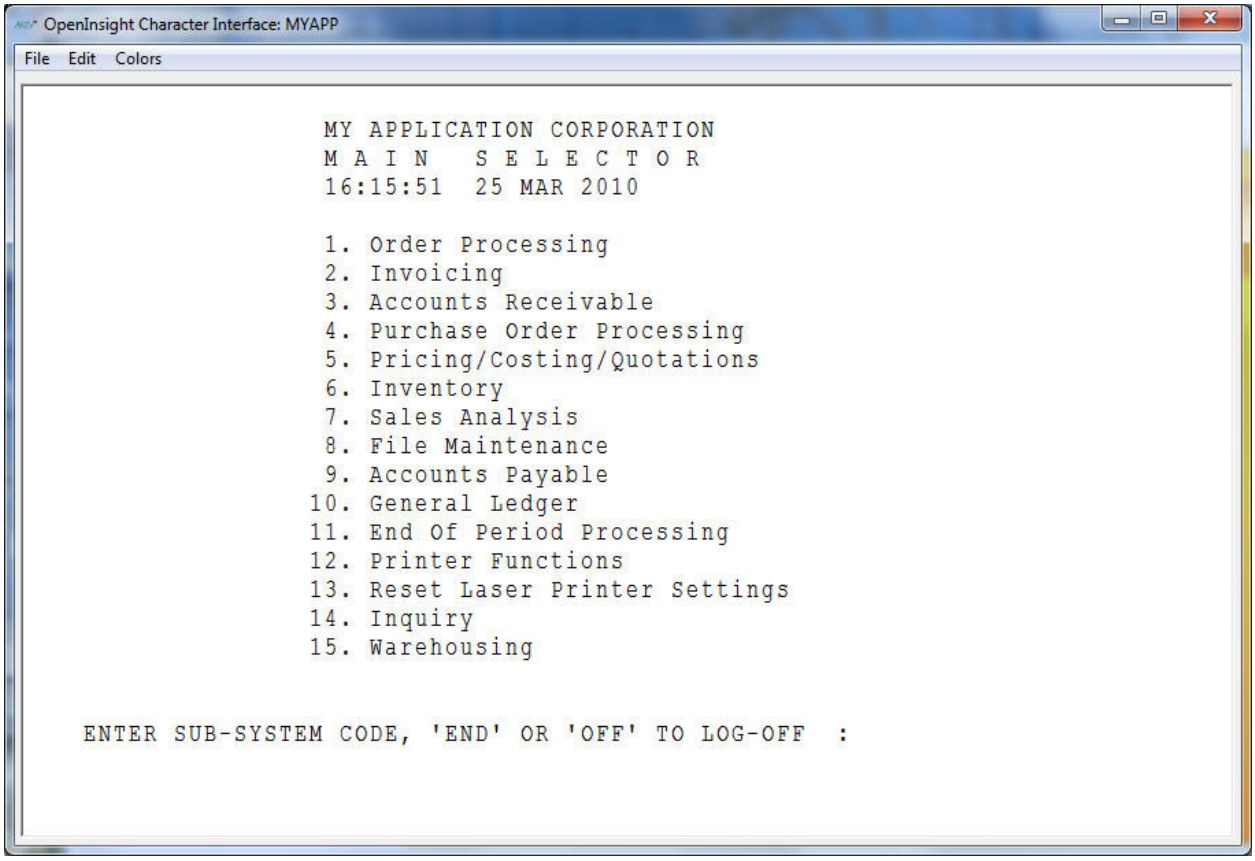


VII. Launch your application in CTO

29. To automatically launch your application from logon, create a **PROC** in the **MD** with your **APPLICATION_NAME** or **USER_NAME** as the key. This PROC may execute another PROC or BASIC program.







30. To exit an application and the CTO interface, you must log **OFF** the application and **QUIT** the CTO.

Starting OpenInsight

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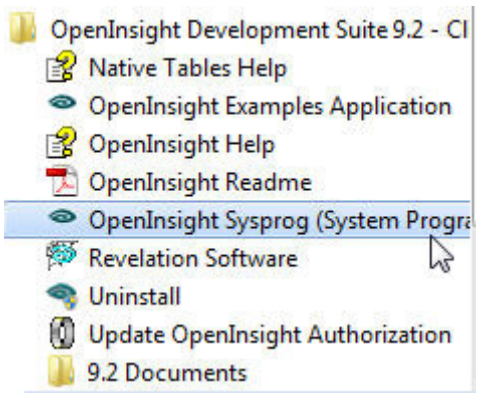
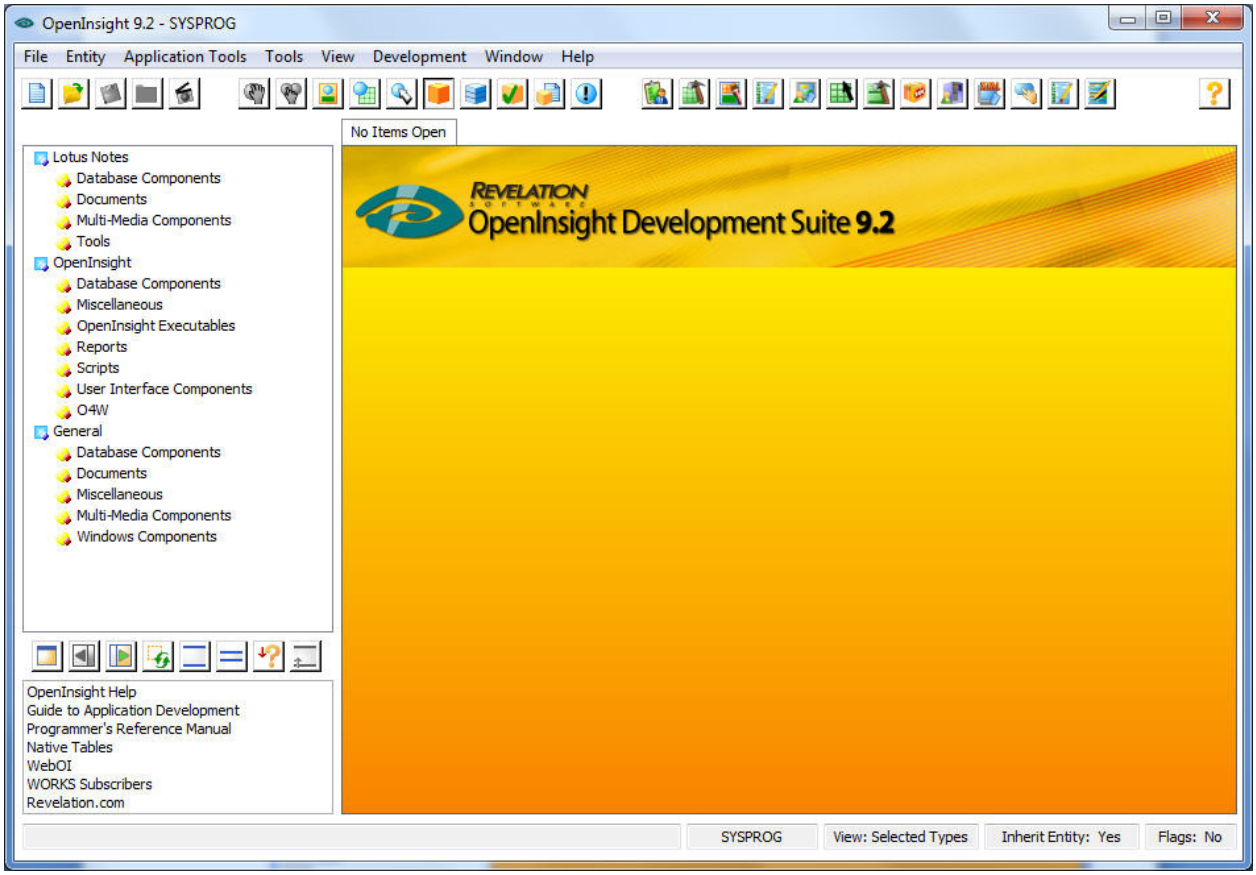
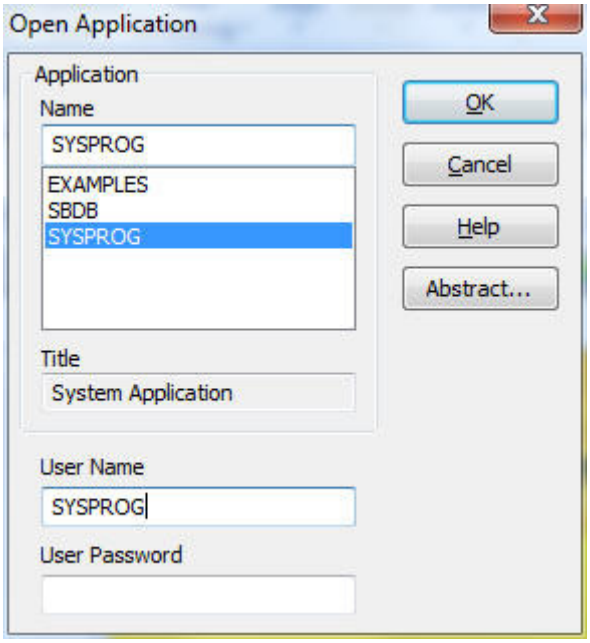


4. The Application Manager window for the SYSPROG application will be displayed as shown below.



II. Opening an Existing Application

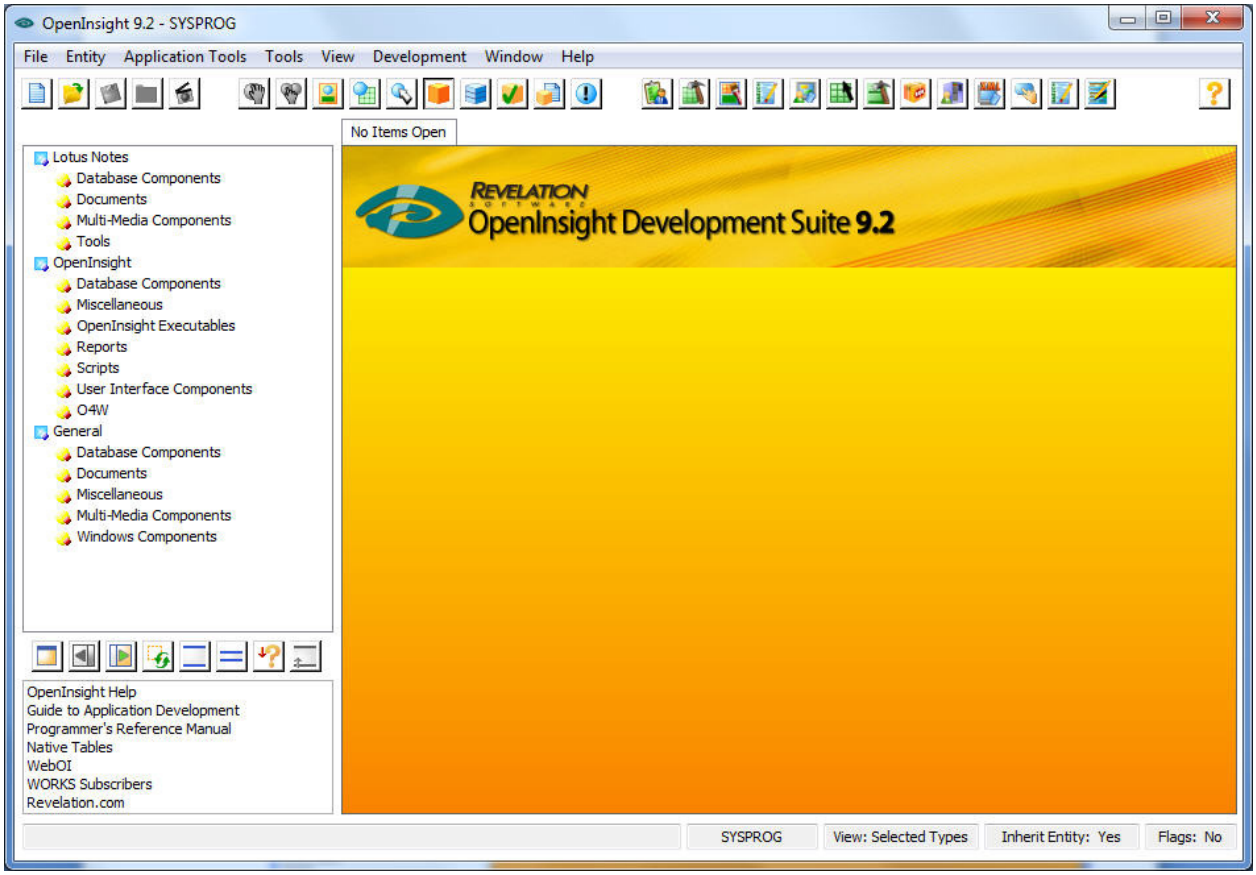
5. Choose *Open Application* from the *File* menu. The *Open Application* dialog box will be displayed.



5. Choose the SYSPROG application from the *Name* list box.
6. Click in the *User Name* edit line and type SYSPROG.
7. Click the OK button the open the SYSPROG application.

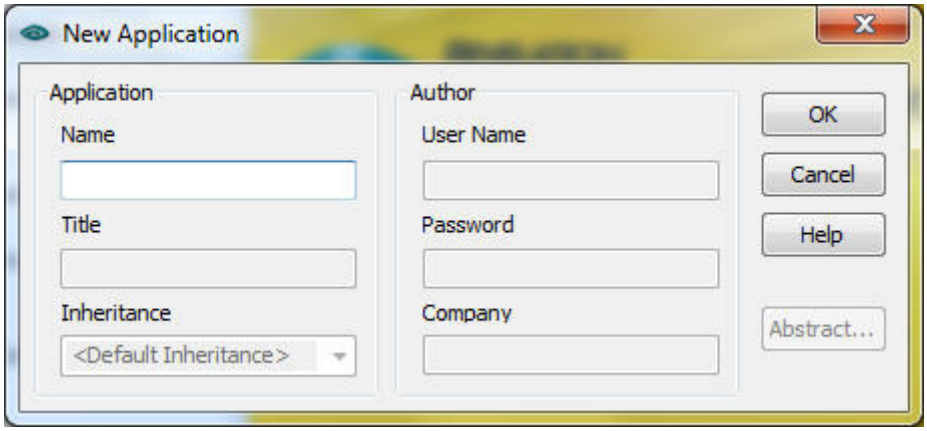
Note: To open any application provided with OpenInsight, enter the *Application Name* in the *User Name* edit line. Passwords are not required for sample applications.

The *Application Manager* window for the SYSPROG application will be displayed, as shown below.



III. Creating a New Application

8. Choose Application,*New Application* from the *File* menu to create a new application. The *New Application* dialog box is displayed.



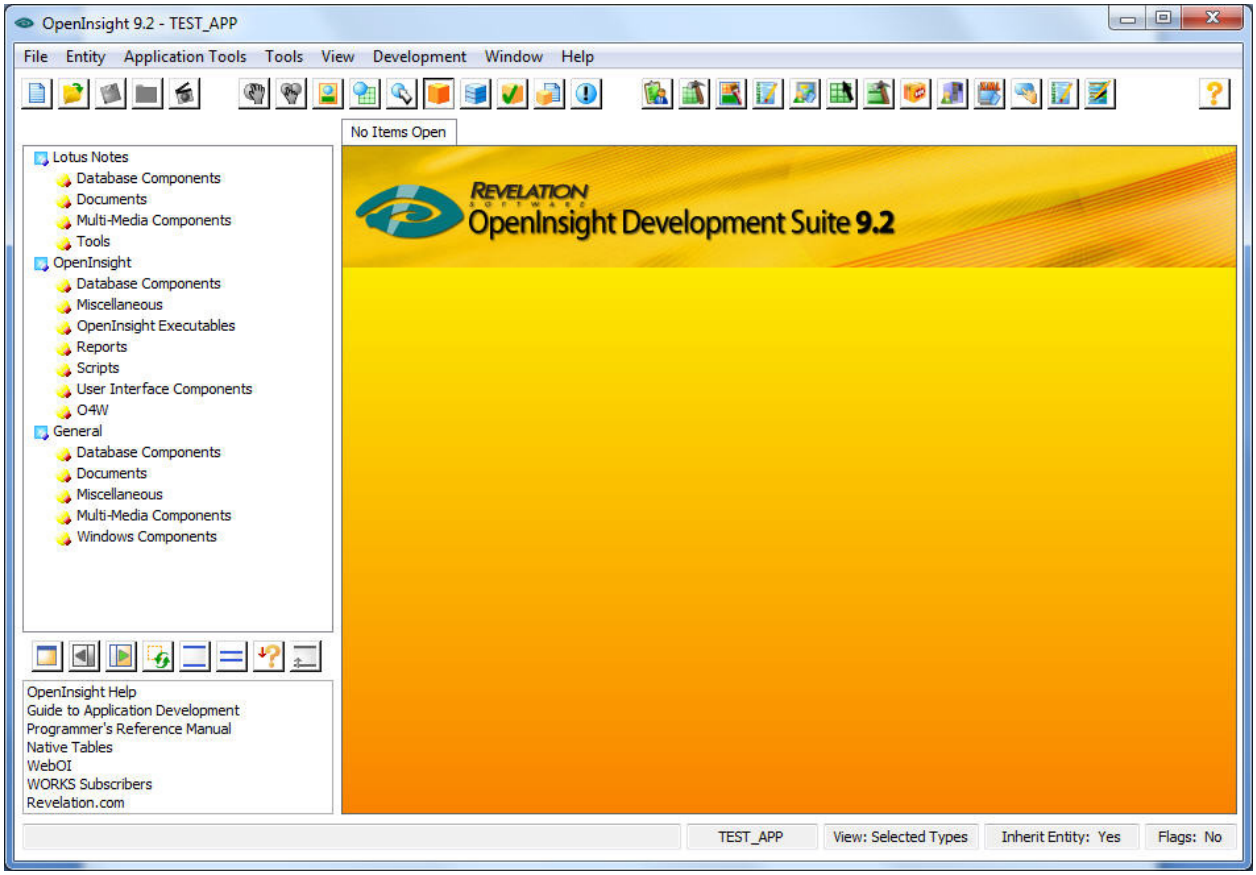
The Application *Name* and Author *User Name* are the only required items in this dialog box.

9. Click in the *Name* edit line and type TEST_APP. (Spaces are not allowed in an Application *Name* or *User Name*.)

10. Click in the *User Name* edit line and type TEST_APP.

Note: The *Inheritance* drop down indicates <Default Inheritance>. This means that this newly created application inherits the components of the base application, SYSPROG, mentioned above.

11. Click the OK button to create the new TEST_APP application.
    The *Application Manager window* for the TEST_APP application will be displayed, as shown below.



Working with Linear Hash Data

I. Linear Hash Data

OpenInsight comes complete with its own proprietary database, know as Linear Hash. It is a Multivalue, variable-length database. Multivalue means that there may be more than one value in a field, but you don't need to have separate fields.

For example, in many databases you would have a field named **Address1**, and probably **Address2**, and maybe **Address3**. So, if someone had an address of *123 Main Street, Apt 2A*, you would put *123 Main Street* into the **Address1** field, and the *Apt 2A* into the **Address2** field. **Address3** would be empty.

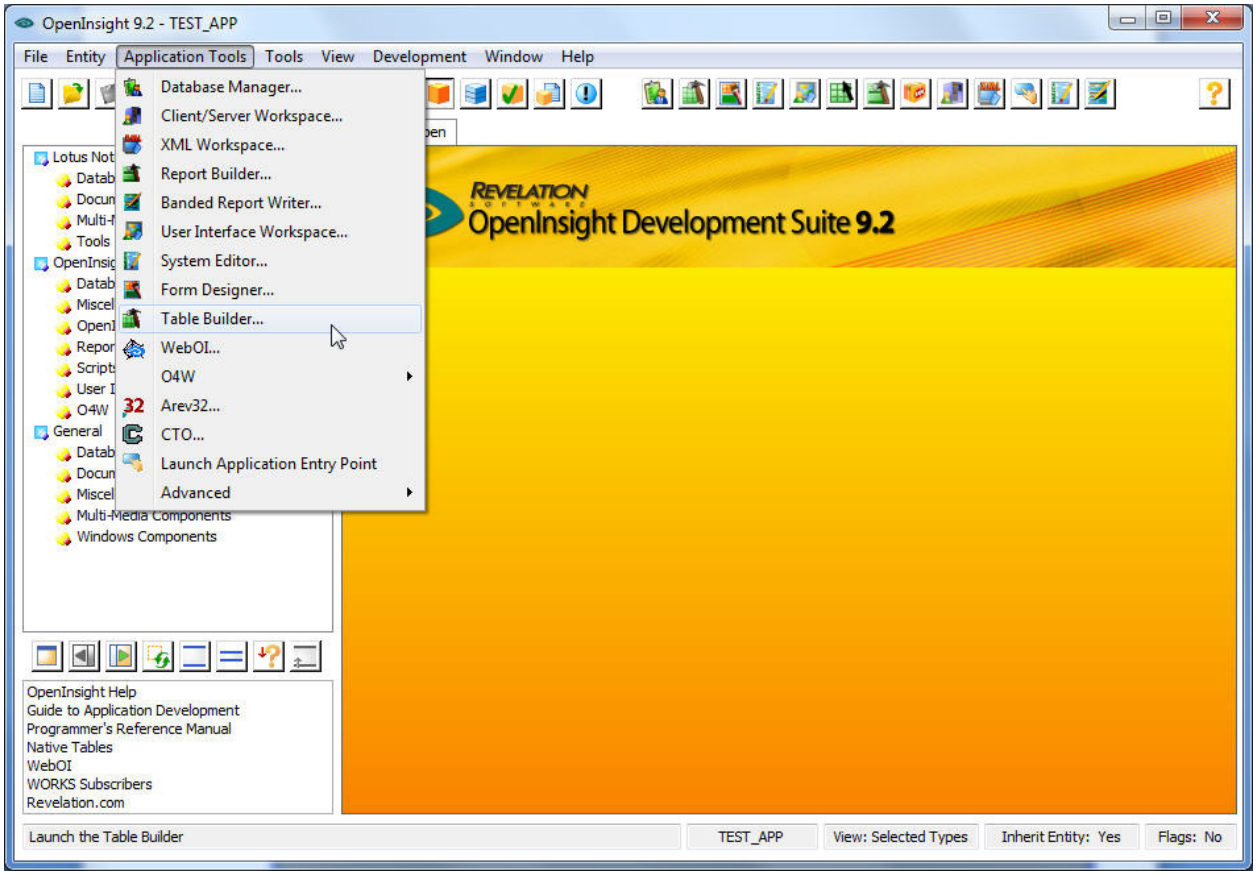
In a multivalue database, such as used by OpenInsight, you would put all the data into the same field, called **Address**. If there was one value, it would be stored, and there would be no wasted space with empty fields. If there were two or more values, they would be stored, and there would be no wasted space or fields. We do this by using delimiters behind the scenes called Value Marks.

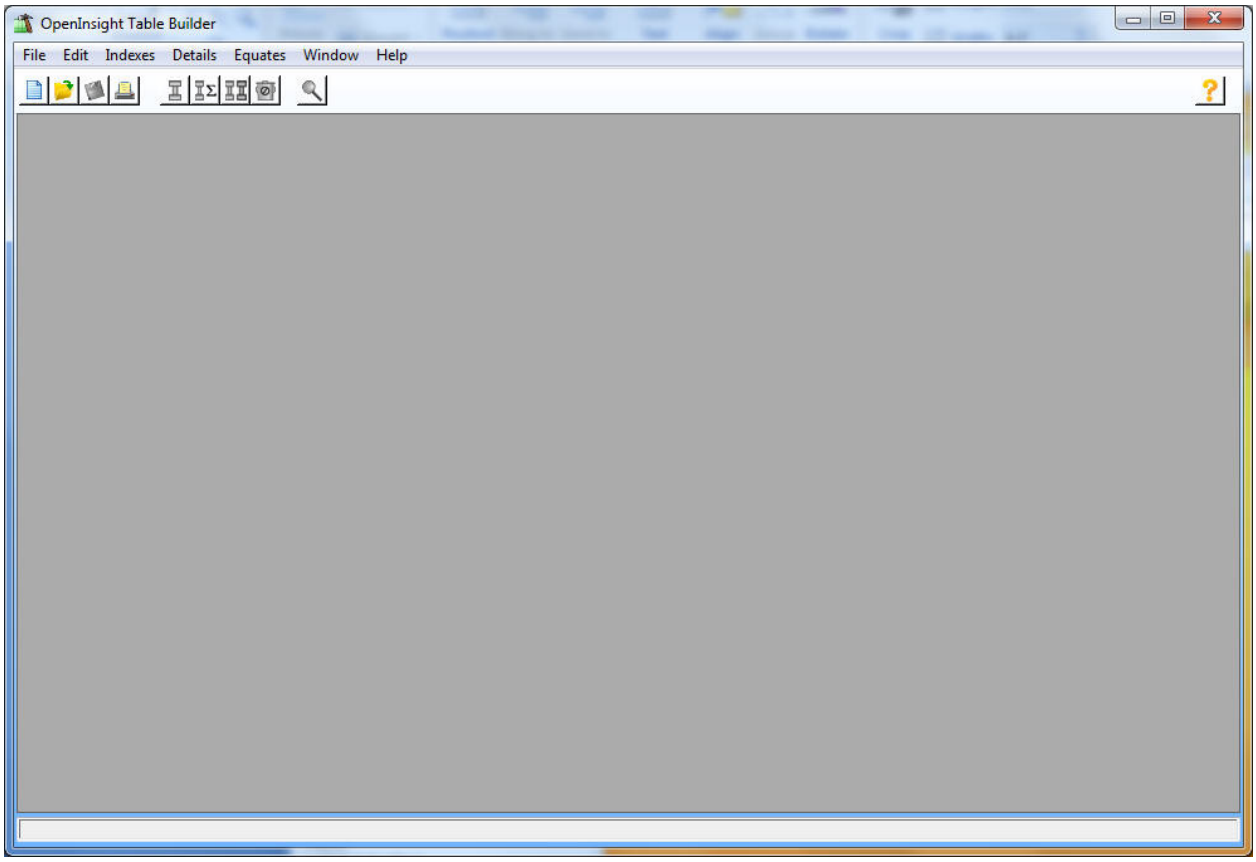
Variable-length means that OpenInsight doesn't have fixed data widths for its data. If a field contains data that is 17 characters long, we use only 17 characters plus a delimiter called a Field Mark. If a field contains data that is only 1 character long, we use only 1 character plus the field mark.

These attributes make OpenInsight a very flexible, efficient database. Once a table is defined, you can add as many new fields as you want without redefining the database. The tables created are always self-resizing, so they are always efficient as possible.

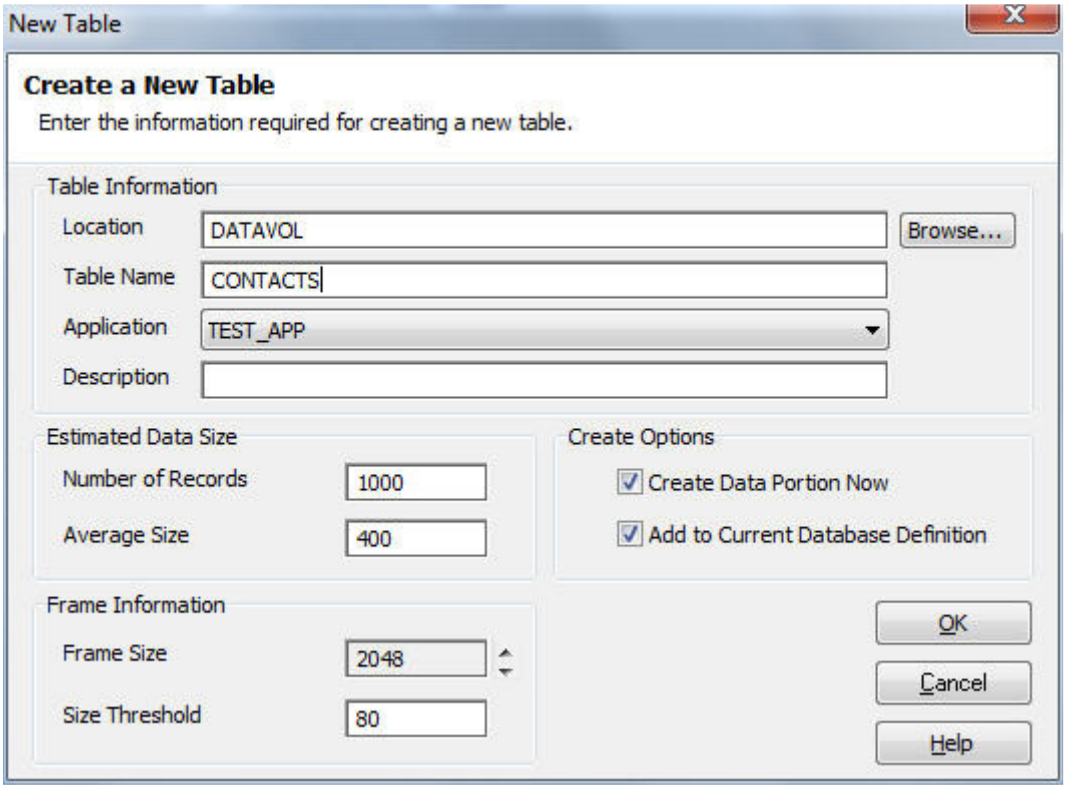
II. Creating a Data Table

1. Choose *Table Builder* from the *Application Tools* menu or press the Table Builder button  .

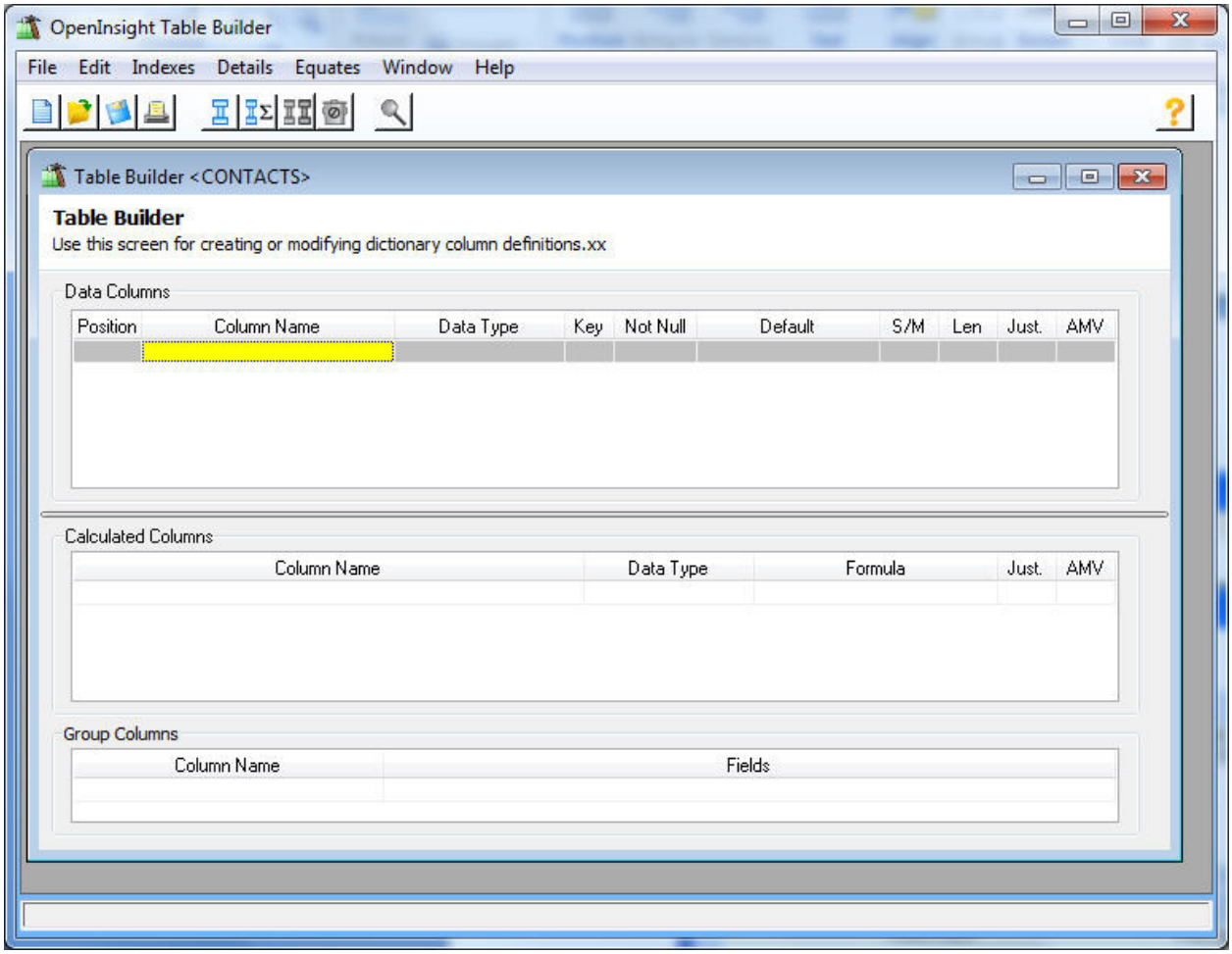




2. Choose New… from the File menu or click on the New button. The New Table dialog box will be displayed.



3. Choose a Location. The Browse button will allow you to choose the location.
4. Enter the name of the new table in the *Table Name* edit line.
5. Click on the OK button. The Table Builder window will be displayed as shown below.

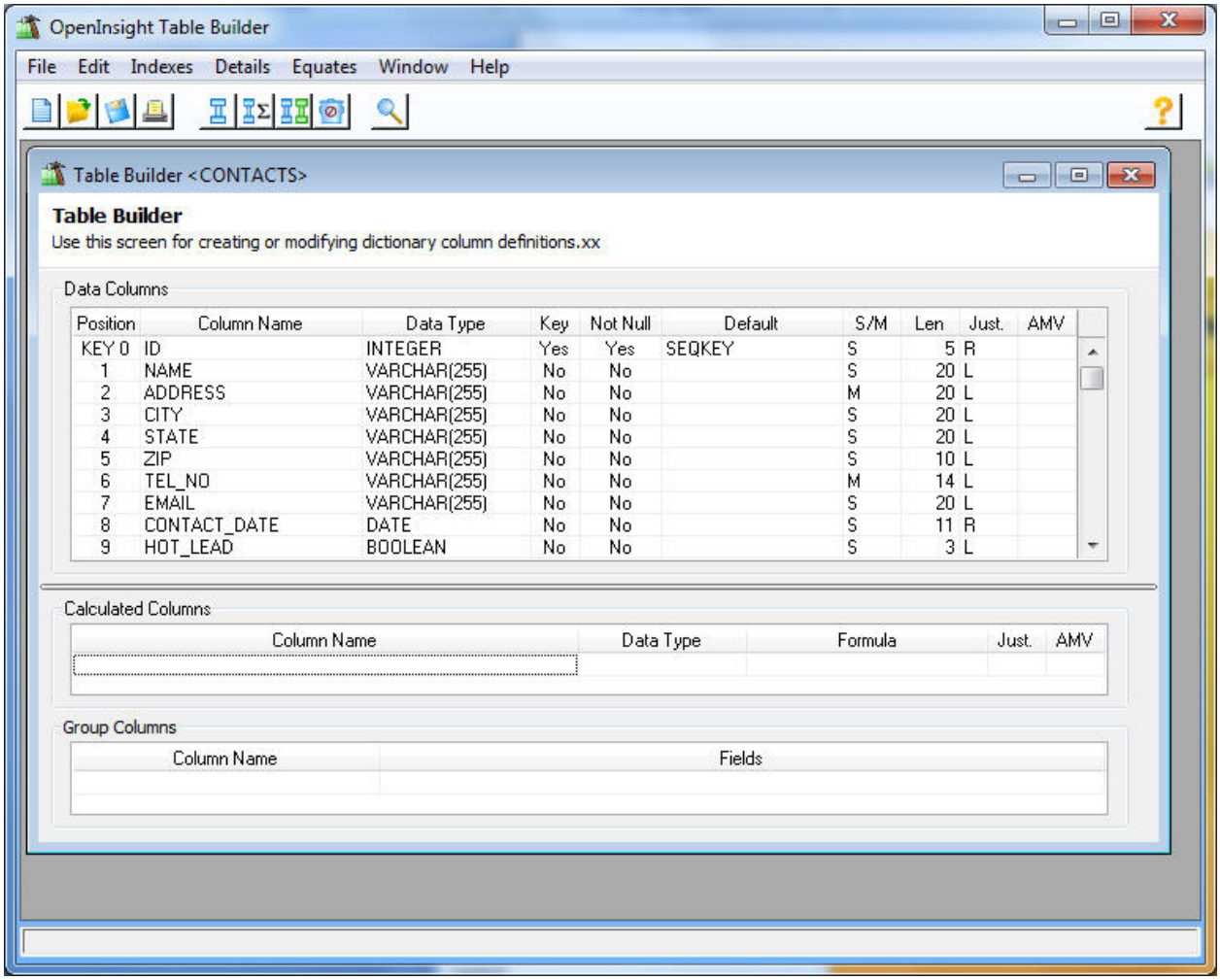


III. Adding Data Columns to a Data Table

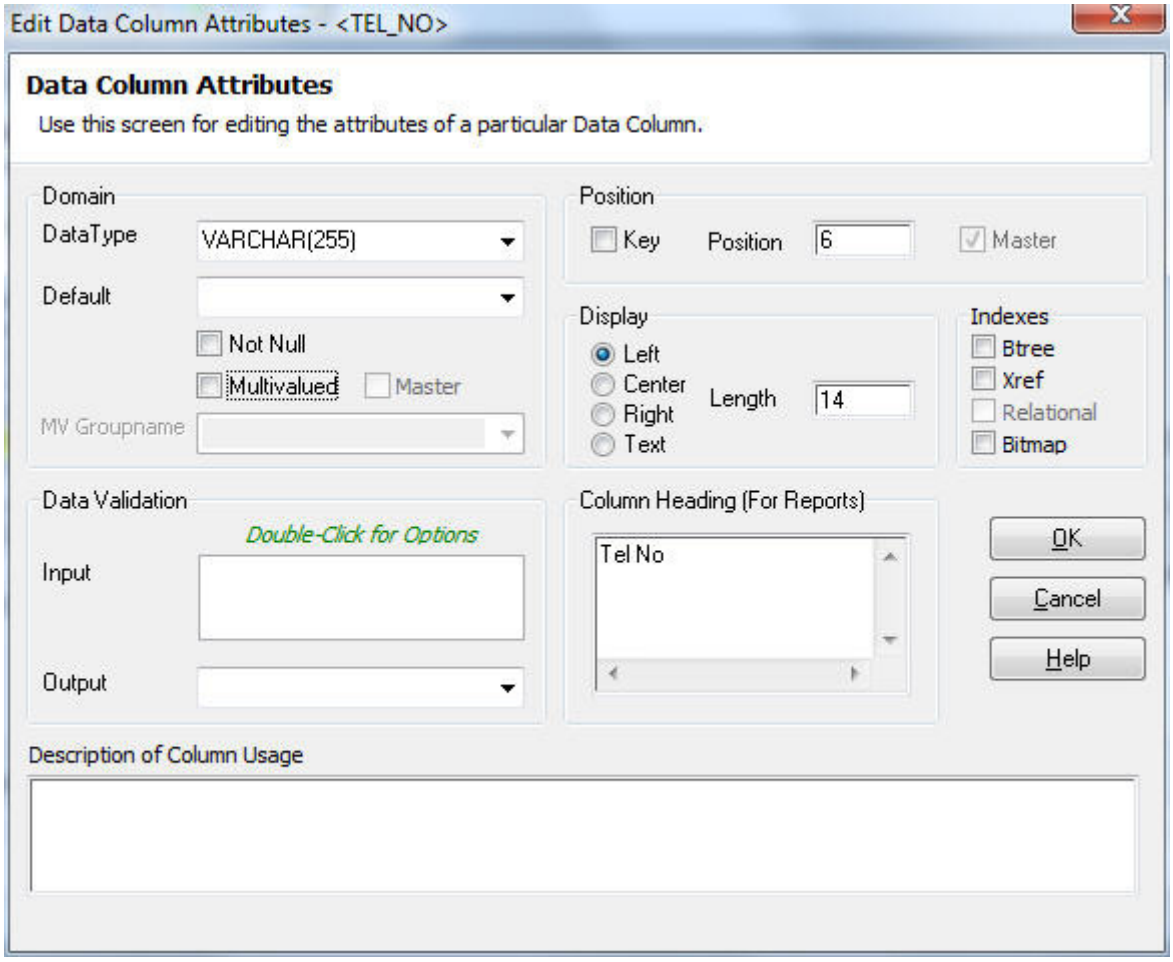
6. Notice that the first row of the Data Columns edit table is selected and the cursor is positioned in the Column Name column. This is usually your key column, but it is not required to be so. Type **ID** in the first row under Column Name. Case is not important as the Table Builder converts all column names to uppercase.
7. Tab to the next column, Data Type. A list of available data types is available by right-clicking on the Data Type column. Type or select **INTEGER**.
8. Tab to the next column, Key. As this is the key column for CONTACTS, type **Y** or **Yes** and tab to the next column. The Key column defaults to No. when tabbing off the column.
9. The Not Null column accepts of value of Yes or No. As this is the key column for CONTACTS, type **Y** or **Yes** and tab to the next column. The Not Null column defaults to No. when tabbing off the column.
10. The Default column allows entering of the default value for this column. Type **SEQKEY** for the ID column's default. SEQKEY provides a sequential counter which is incremented upon saving a record.
11. The SM Column indicates whether this column is a Single valued or MultiValue field. For a Key this should always be **S**.
12. The Len column indicates the default length that will be displayed for this column. It does not limit the amount of data stored in the field. Enter a **5** in this field.
13. Tab again to enter the row in the dictionary. All text is converted to uppercase and Table Builder assigns a position for this column in the record. The ID column has been assigned the position KEY 1 meaning that it is the first record field's
14. Continue using Table Builder to enter the following data columns in the data dictionary. Notice that no additional columns specify a Default value.

Column Name	DataType	Key	Not Null	S/M	Len
NAME	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	S	20
ADDRESS	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	M	20
CITY	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	S	20
STATE	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	S	2
ZIP	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	S	10
TEL_NO	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	S	14
EMAIL	VARCHAR(255)	N	N	S	20
CONTACT_DATE	DATE	N	N	S	11
HOT_LEAD	BOOLEAN	N	N	S	3

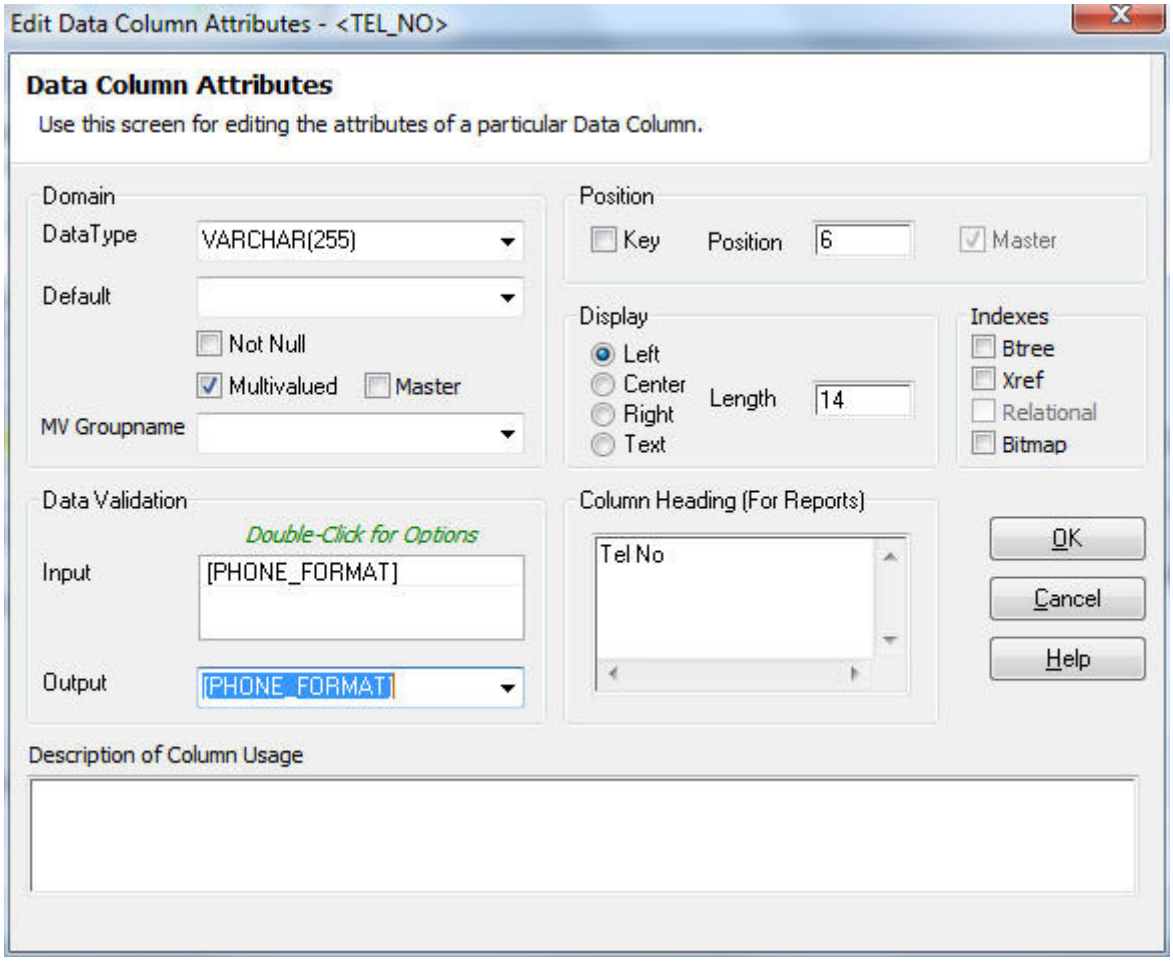
Your Table Builder should look like the figure below.



15. Double-click on the TEL_NO row to display the Column Attributes dialog box where you specify additional dictionary information.



The Column Attributes dialog box is used to provide additional information regarding the data field, such as data validation, display format and column description. The Column Attributes dialog box is also where you set a column to be multivalued. Check the Multivalued check box for the TEL_NO column.



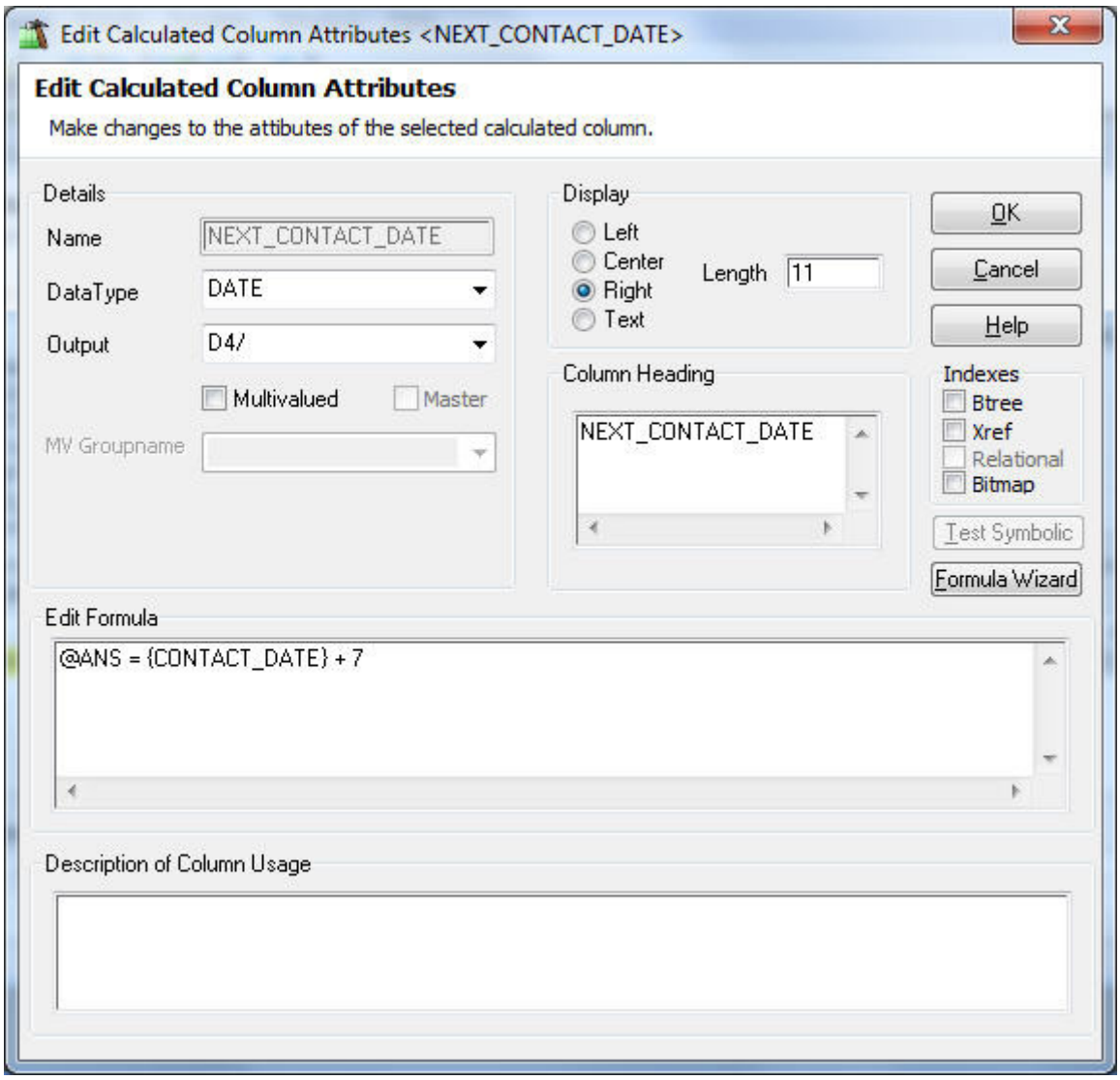
Double-click on the Input area and choose [PHONE_FORMAT].

Also click the drop down list on the Data Validation, Output and select PHONE_FORMAT as the Output pattern. This format causes telephone numbers to be displayed as (NNN) NNN-NNNN. Click the OK button.

IV. Adding Calculated Columns to a Data Table

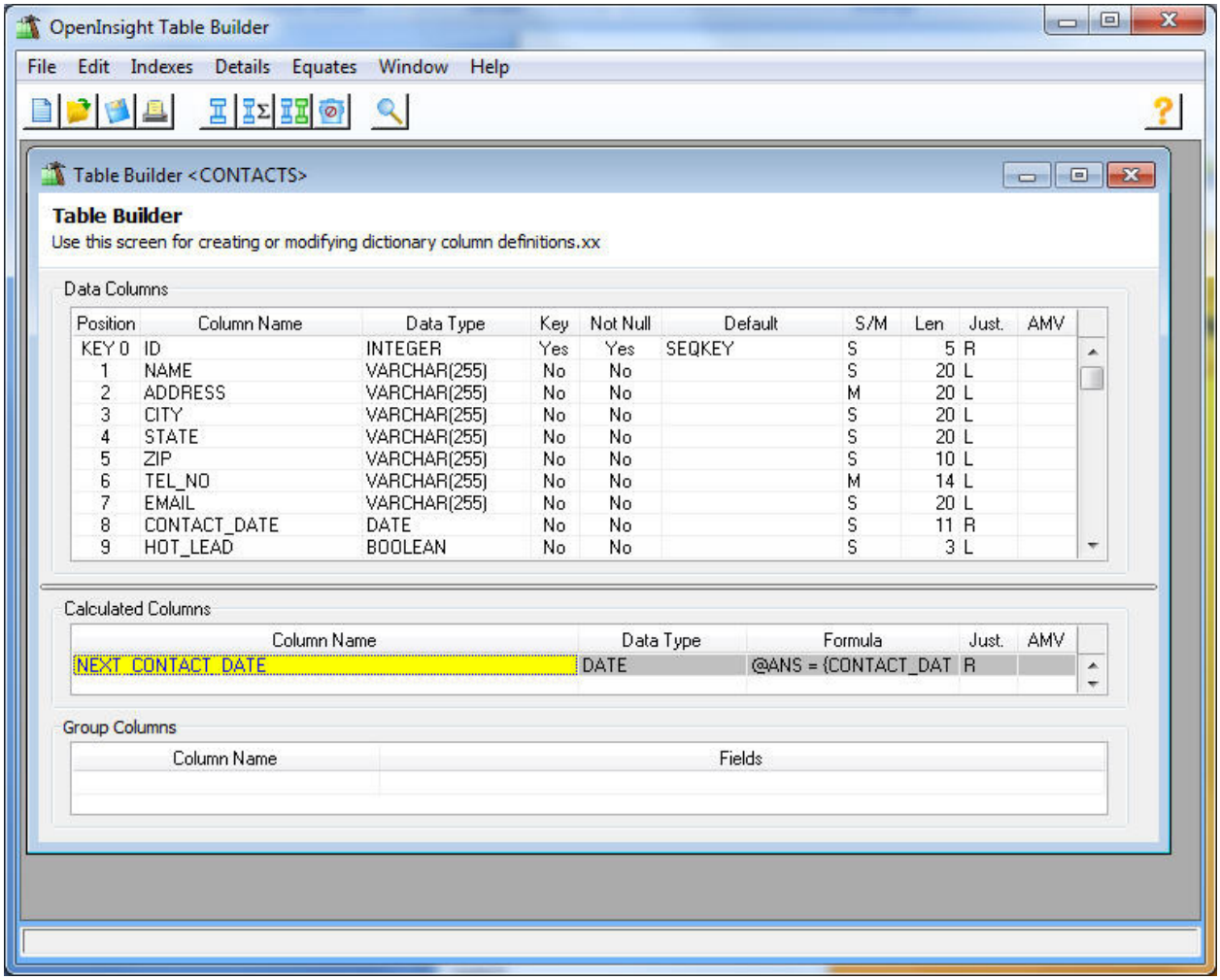
16. Double-click in the first row of the Calculated Columns edit table at the bottom of the Table Builder window. This will display the Calculated Column Attributes window.
17. Type NEXT_CONTACT in Name field.
18. Select DATE from the DataType drop down list.
19. Select D from the Output drop down list. Type D4/ to make it more readable for the user.
20. In the Edit Formula text box type: @ANS = {CONTACT_DATE} + 7. Clicking on the Test button will check for syntax errors within the formula.

    Note: @ANS is a system variable used to store the value of a calculated column. Dates are stored internally as integers. In the above formula we add 7 days to the Contact_Date. By applying the D output type the result will display as a date and not an integer.



21. Click the OK button.

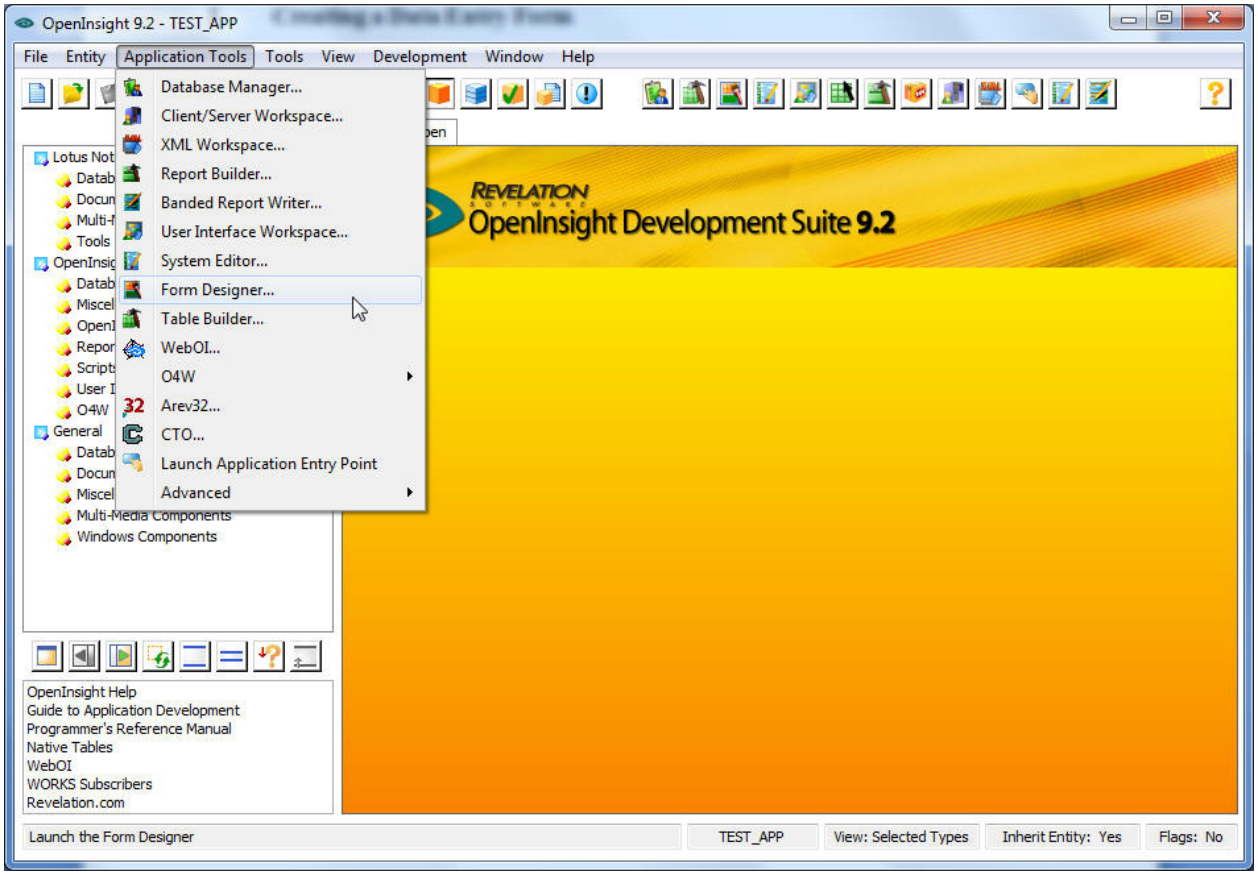
Your Table Builder should now look like the figure below.

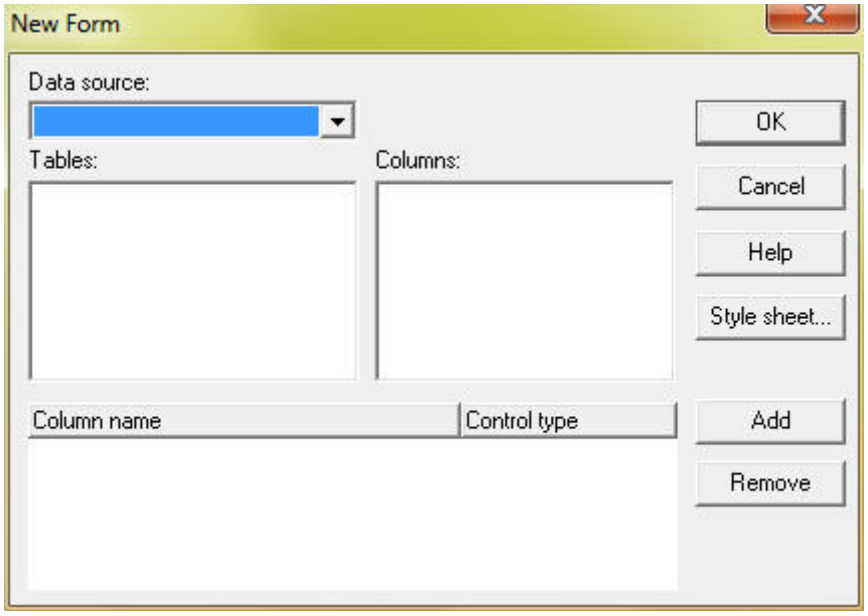


Working with Forms

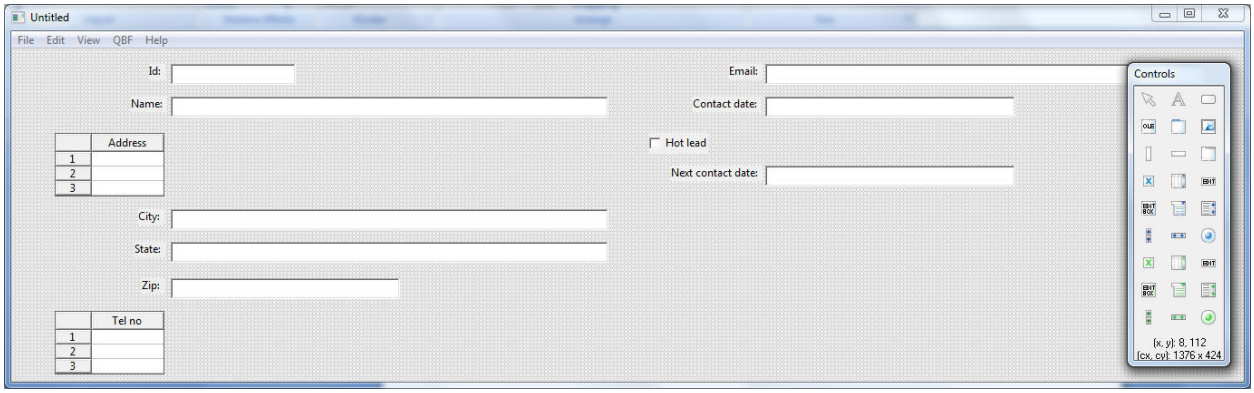
I. Creating a Data Entry Form

1. Open the Form Designer. Click on *Form Designer* from the *Application Tools* menu or press the Form Designer button  .
2. Choose New Form from the File menu in the Form Designer to display the New Form dialog box.

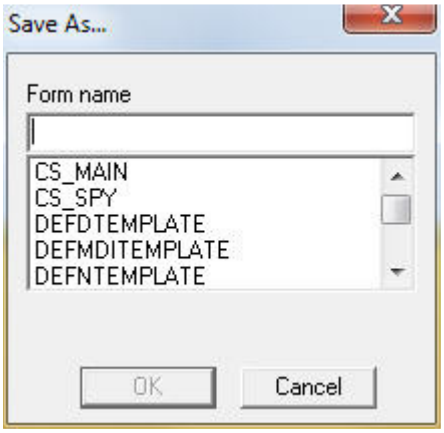




3. Select OpenInsight Tables from the *Data Source* drop-down list. A list of native tables is displayed in the left list box.
4. Select the OpenInsight table from the list in the left list box (by double-clicking the name). Choose **CONTACTS**.
5. The columns from the selected table are displayed in the *Columns* list box.
6. Select columns from the *Columns* list box to use in creating the OpenInsight form. To select a column, double-click on the column name in the *Columns* list box or select the column and click the ADD button. The selected columns are displayed in the selected columns edit table. The order in which columns are selected sets the tab order for the controls in the OpenInsight form being created. Select all the fields.
7. The default control type for columns is an edit line. The edit table control is the default control type for a multi-value column. If you want to specify another control type, select the appropriate column row in the selected columns edit table and double-click to display a list of control types. Double-click the required control type in the control type list for the specified column. The new control type is indicated in the selected columns edit table.
8. If you want to remove a column from the selected columns edit table, select the column row and click the **Remove** button. The row is deleted from the edit table and therefore not displayed on the OpenInsight form.
9. When all columns have been selected and the required controls specified, click the OK button to create the default OpenInsight form. The form should resemble the following:



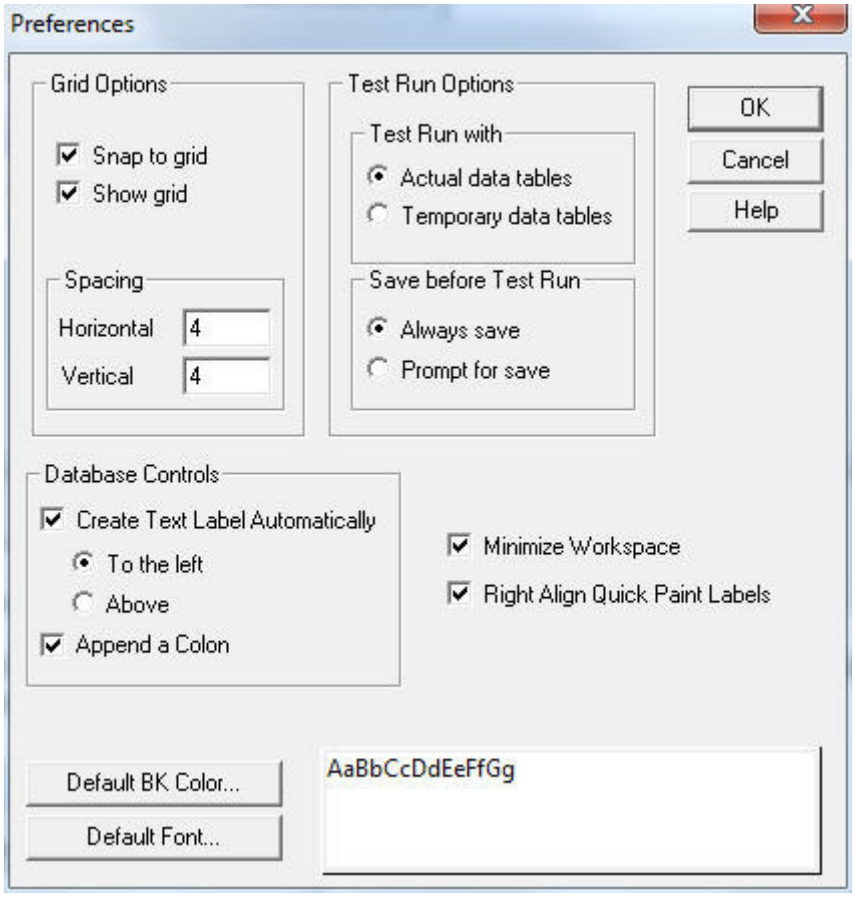
10. Save the form by choosing Save from the Form Designer File menu. The Save As dialog box will be displayed.



11. Type CONTACTS in the Form Name field and click the OK button.

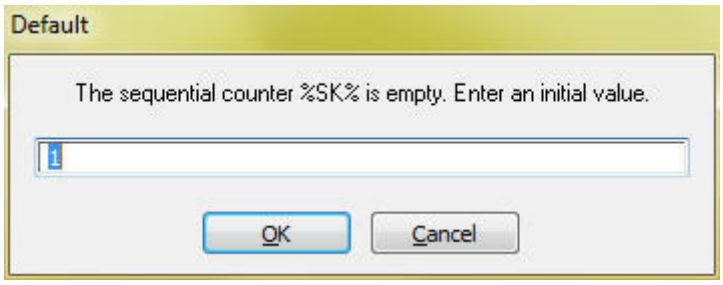
II. Adding Data to the Table

12. Choose Preferences from the Form Designer Tools menu and verify that *Actual data tables* is selected in the Testrun with: group then click the OK button. This assures that the data you create is saved in the CONTACTS table.



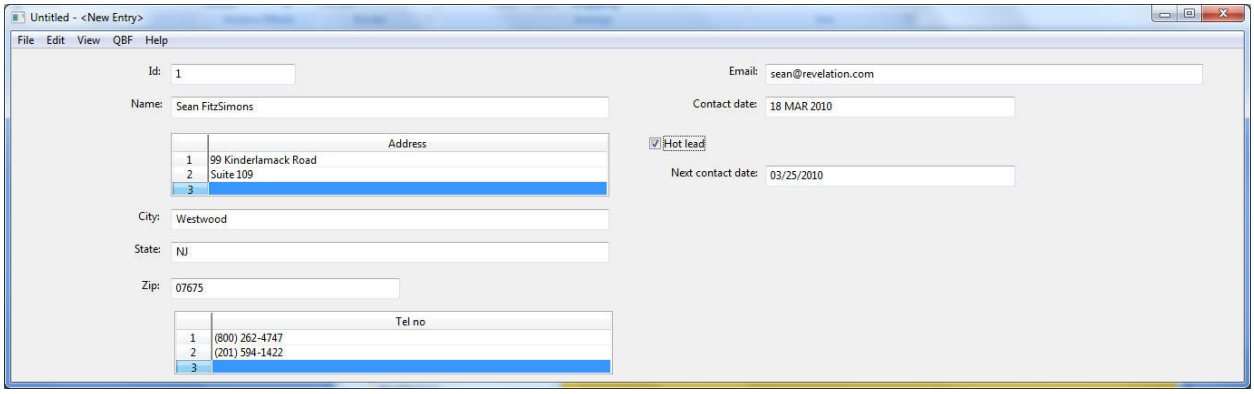
13. Click the **Test Run** button  or choose Test Run from the Form Designer File menu.

14. The first time that the CONTACTS form is executed you are prompted for an initial value for the sequential key counter. This is because you defined the ID column in the table as having a default of SEQKEY. %SK% is a system variable that keeps track of the sequential counter.



15. Type an initial value then click the OK button. The form will display with the ID field containing the value entered in the sequential key dialog box.

16. Enter the following data for this record:



Note: Notice that when you tab from the ID field, a date is displayed in the Next Contact field. This is a calculated data field which automatically recalculates. When data is entered into the Contact Date field, the Next Contact will be updated with the correct date.

17. Press the F9 key or choose Save Row from the File menu to save this record. The record is saved, the form is cleared and the ID is updated to the next sequential key.

18. Continue entering the next three records:

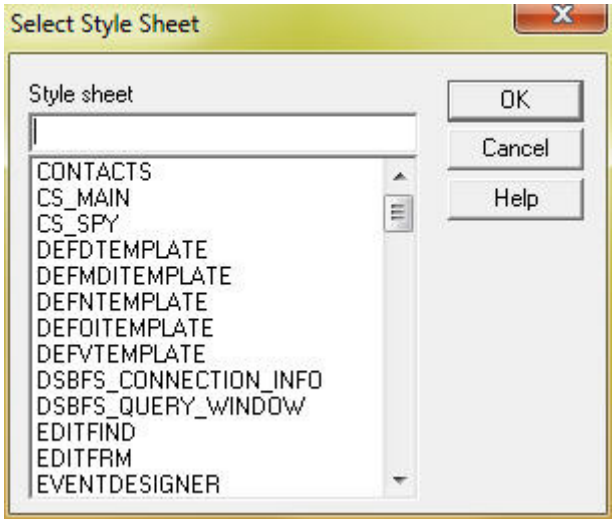
Name	Jill Smith	Robert Jones	Lawrence Granville
Address	22 Waldorf Dr.	16 Scott Terrace	18 Riverview Ave.
City	Youngstown	Asbury	Hibbing
State	OH	MI	MN
Zip	06322	07299	05744
Tel No	888 121-9955	877 333-4444	800 532-9876
Email	jsmith@smith.com	Rjones99@verizone.com	Lg052@roam.net
Contact Date	03/21/10	02/28/10	03/31/10
Hot Lead	True	False	True

19. After adding the last record, choose Close from the File menu to exit the form. This will return you to the Form Designer.

III. Creating an MDI Frame

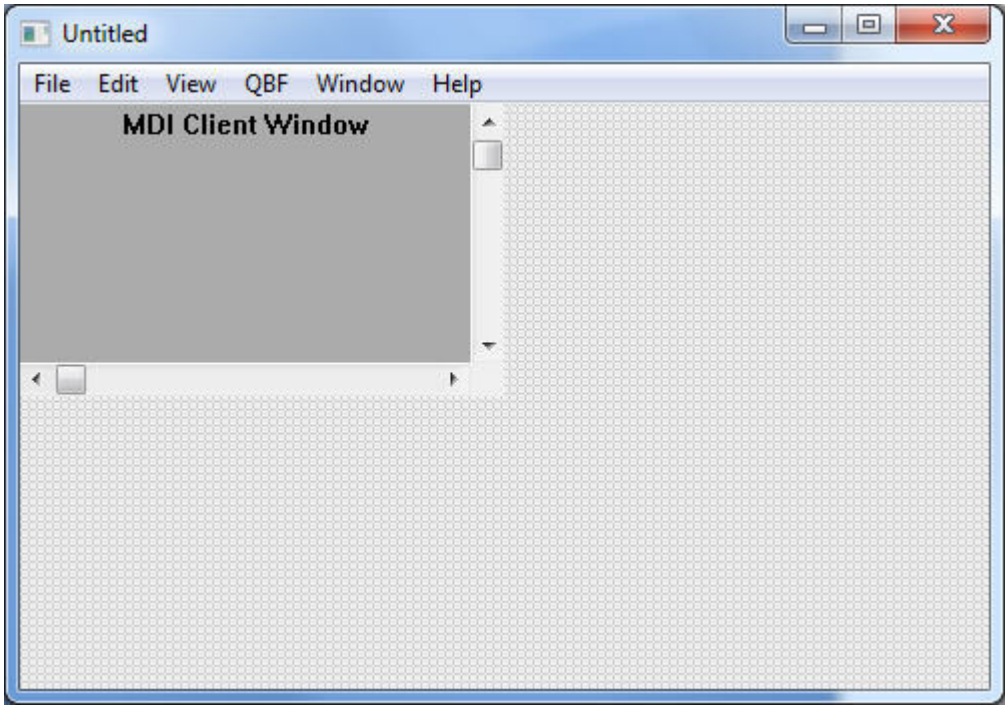
Multiple Document Interface (MDI) windows are child windows or OpenInsight forms that belong to a parent frame and are displayed in the window client area. The MDI Frame is the main window and normally contains a menu, a client area and a status line. The MDI Frame controls all of the child windows. The MDI children are the OpenInsight forms that appear within the client area of the MDI frame.

1. Select New MDI frame from the Form designer File menu to display the Select Style Sheet dialog box which lists the existing OpenInsight forms in the current application.



2. Click the OK button to exit the Select Style Sheet dialog box without selecting a style sheet.

   An MDI frame with an MDI client window is displayed. The MDI client window is part of the frame window and cannot be deleted or copied. MDI child windows are confined to the MDI client area. The text "MDI Client Window" is visible only during OpenInsight form design so that you can distinguish the MDI client area from other controls. The Client Window should display as follows:



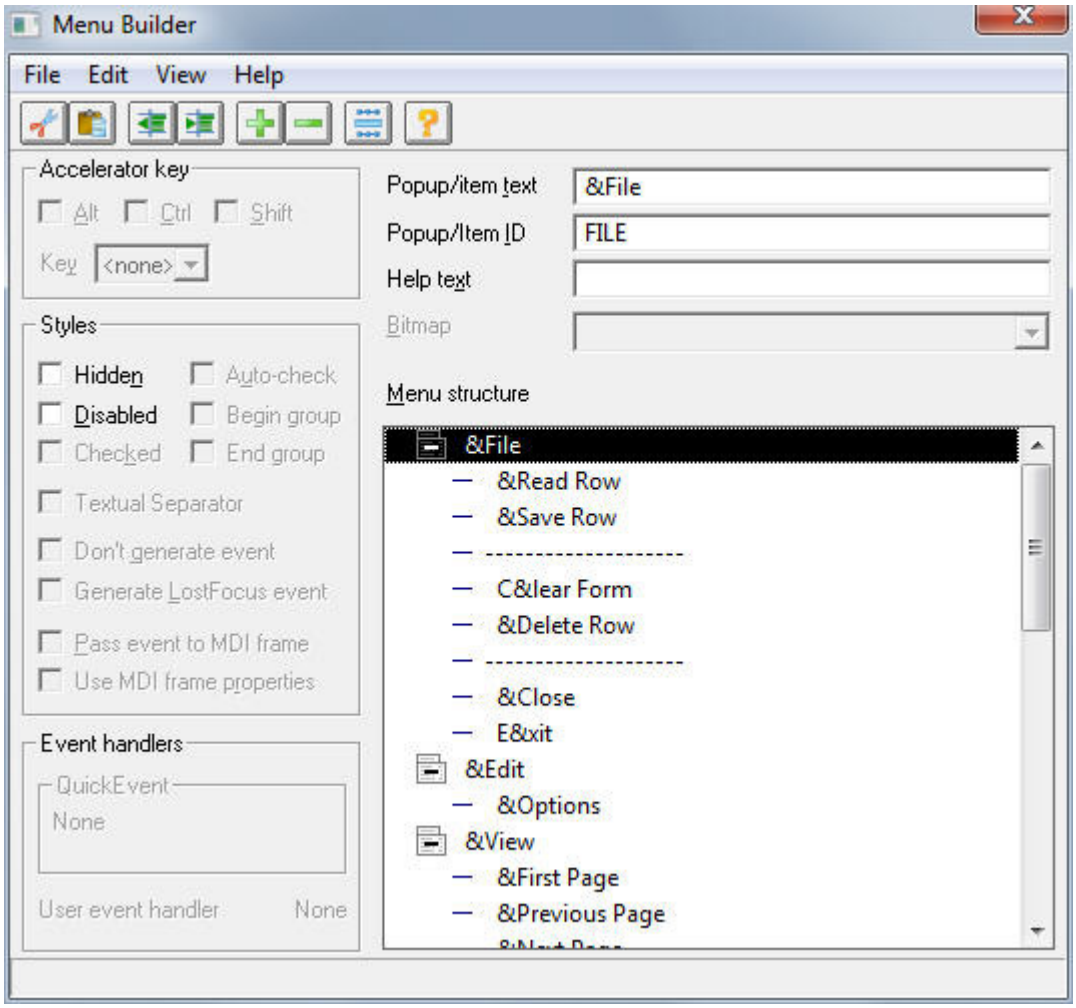
   The MDI Client Window can be resized.

IV. Creating an MDI Child

MDI Child windows are those that reside within the MDI client area. MDI Child windows can be any OpenInsight form created for the current application. MDI Child windows are often created prior to creating the MDI frame. A feature of MDI child windows is that they do not contain menus. Menu functionality is provided by the frame.

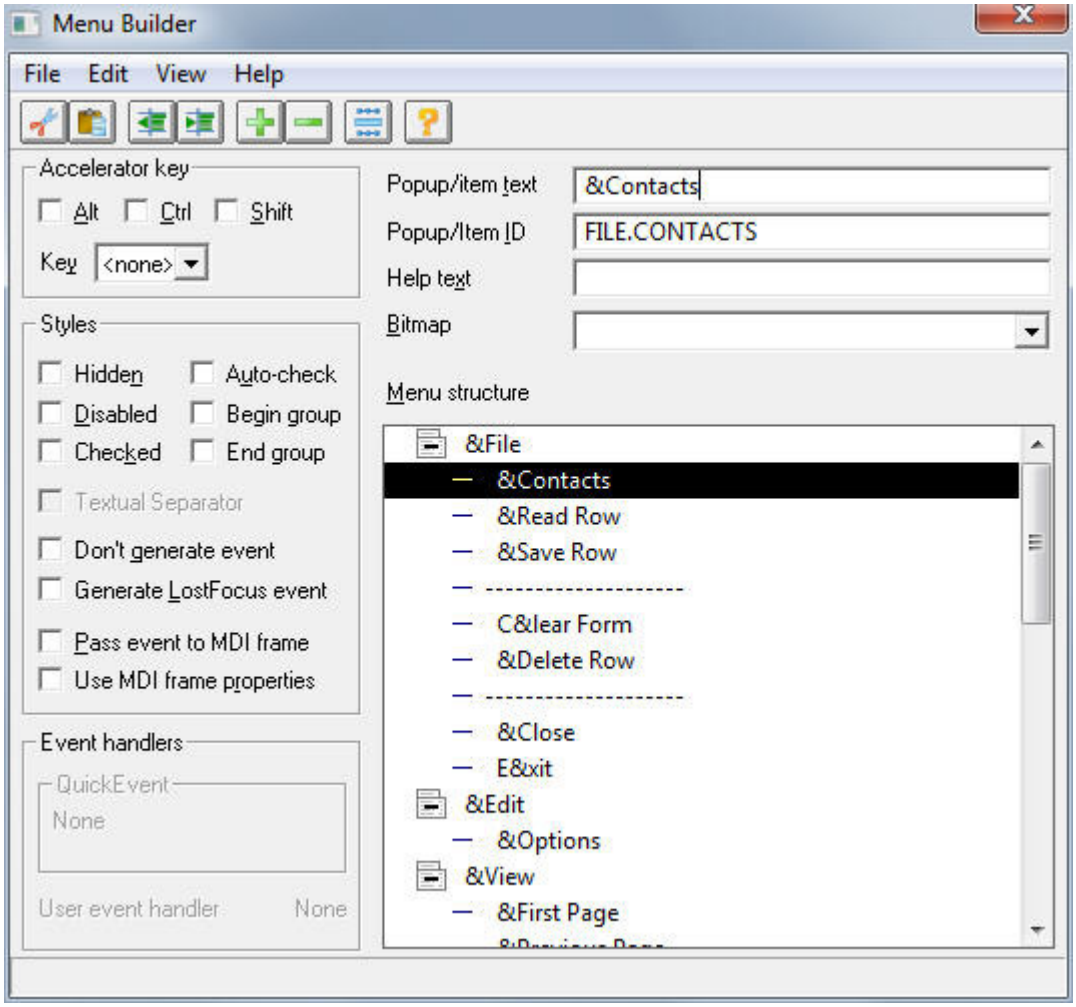
An MDI child is executed from the MDI frame with the BASIC+ function START_MDICHILD.

1. Choose *Design* from the *Menu* menu. The *Menu Builder* dialog box is displayed.

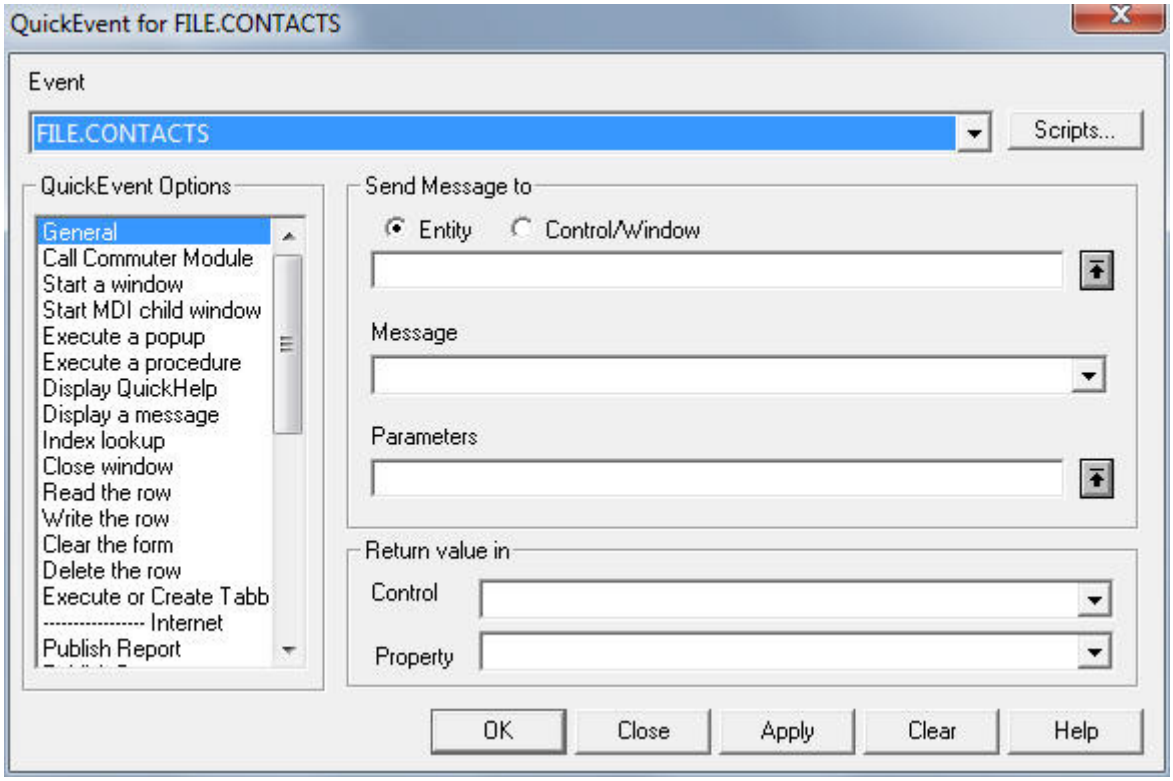


The first menu item is highlighted.

2. Select *Insert item after selection* from the *Edit* menu.
3. Type '&Contacts' in the *Popup/item text* field. The *Popup/Item ID:* field is automatically populated.
4. Choose *Exit/Update* from the *File* menu.



5. Choose *QuickEvents* from the *Menu* menu. The *QuickEvents* dialog box is displayed.

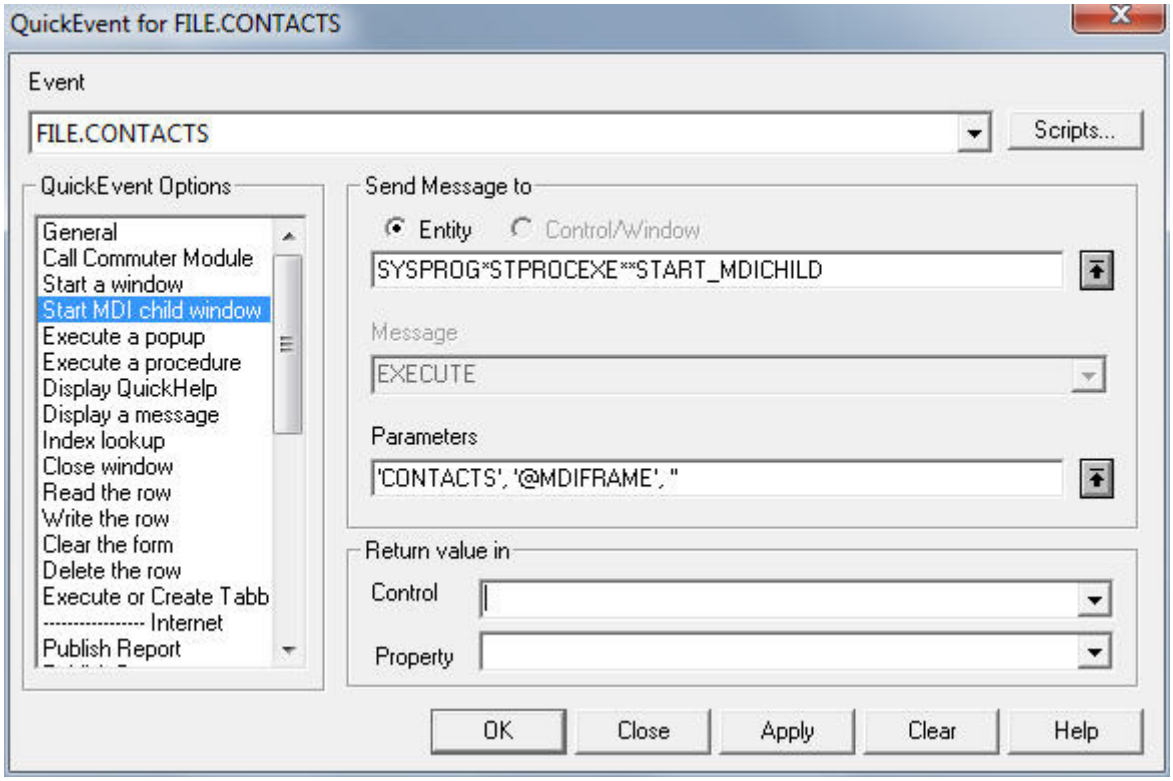


6. Choose *FILE.CONTACTS* from the *Event* drop down list.

7. Choose *Start MDI child window* from the *QuickEvent Options: list*. The QuickEvent dialog box will be populated with default settings for the Start_MDIChild function.

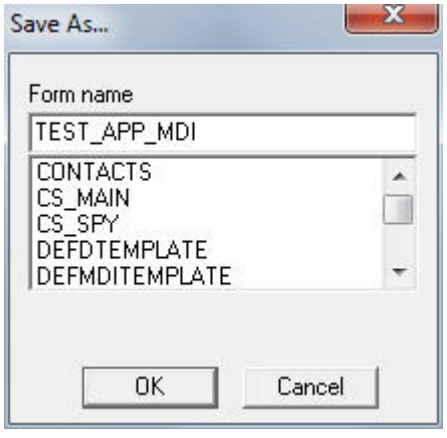
8. On the *Parameters:* change *ChildName* to 'CONTACTS' and *CreateParam* to null (''). Include the single quotes.

9. Press the *Apply* button. This will place a <*q*> next to FILE.CONTACTS in the Event field.

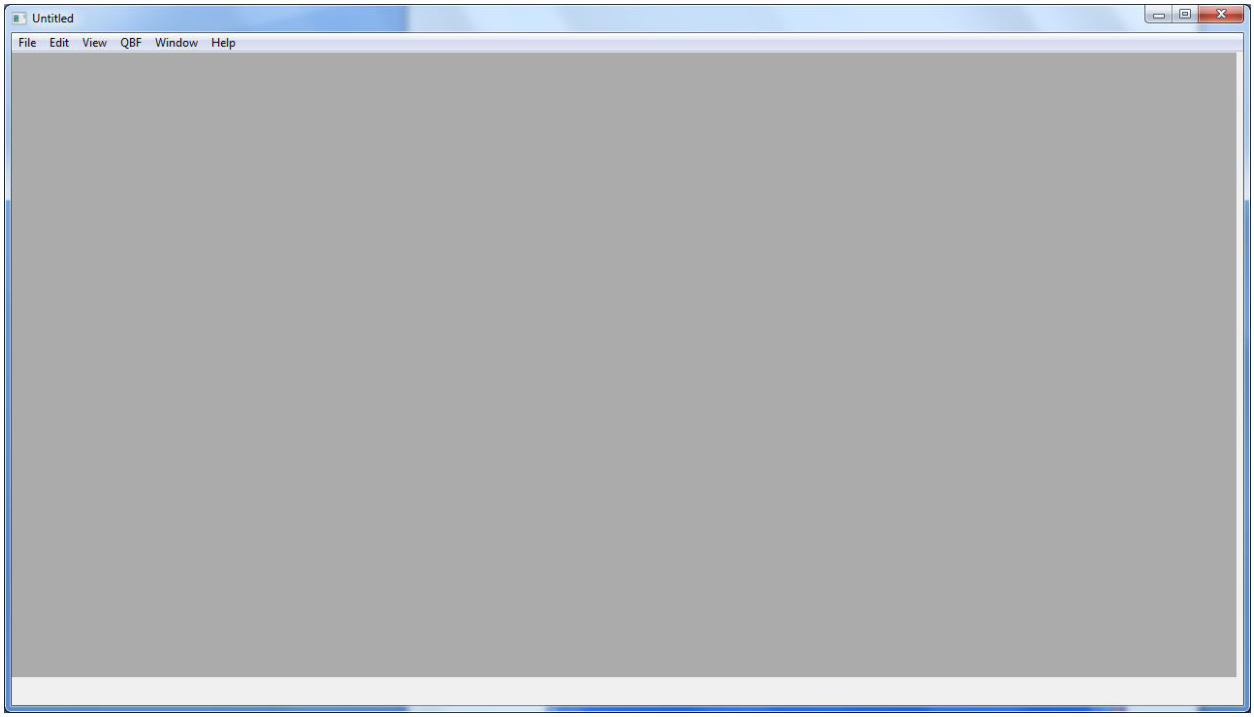


10. Press the *Close* button. This will return you to the MDI Frame.

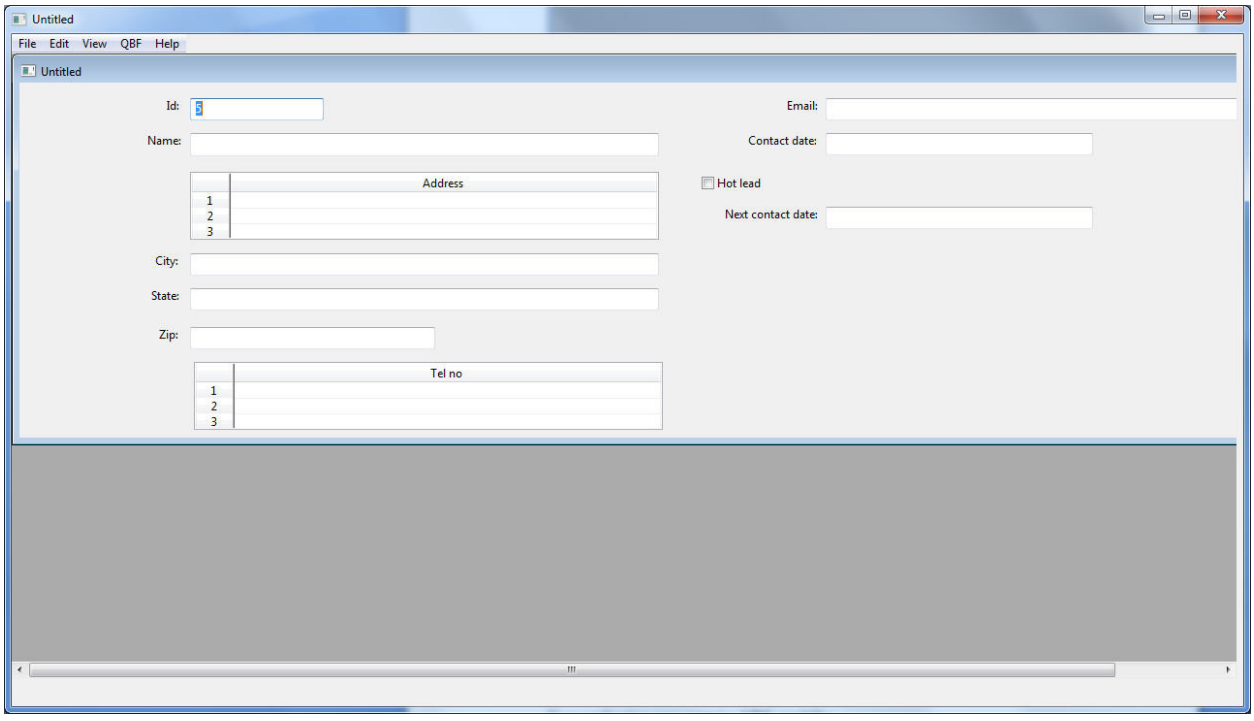
11. Select *Save* from the *File* menu. Enter TEST_APP_MDI for the name of the form.



12. Test run the form. Choose Test *Run* from the *File* menu in the Form Designer. The following will display:



13. Choose Contacts from the File menu. The following screen will display:

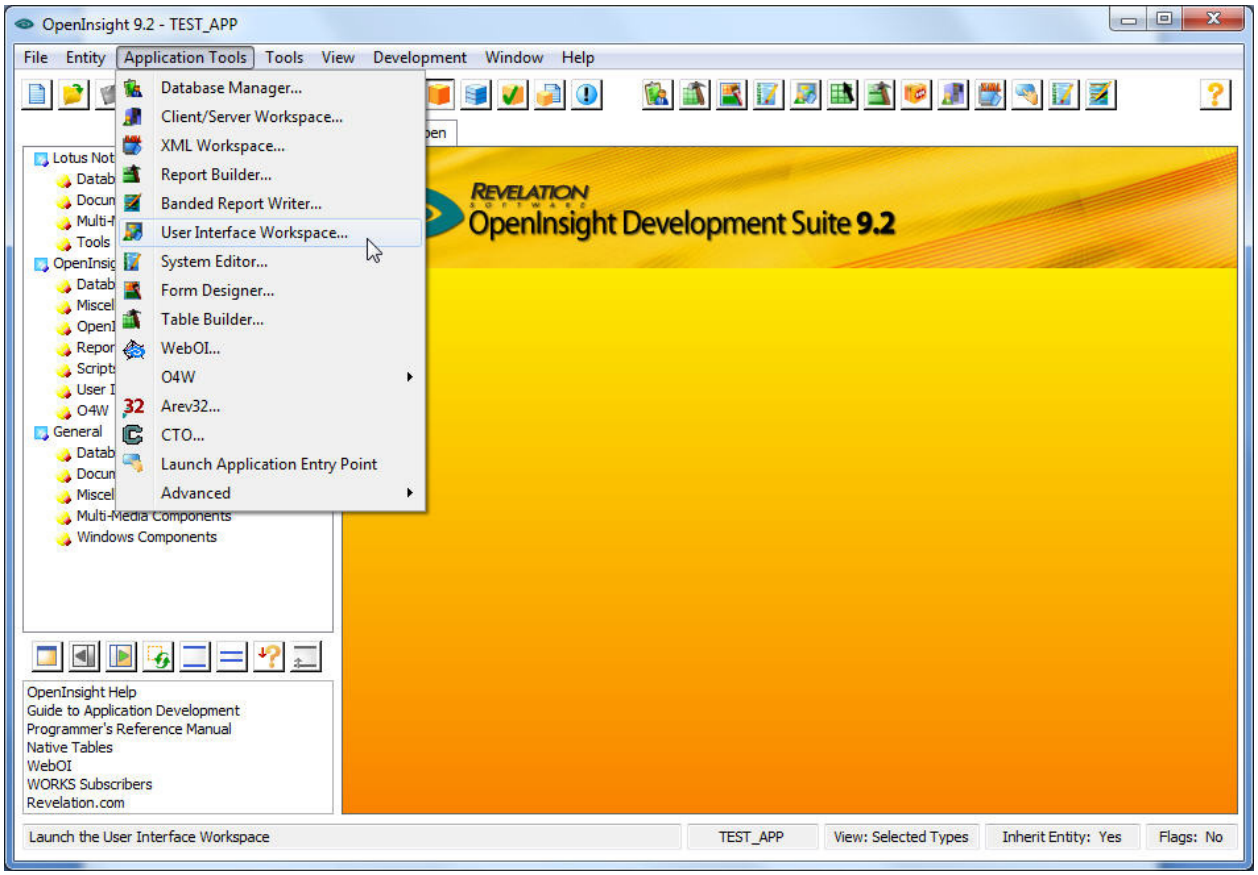


Your application now contains MDI capability.

Working with Popups

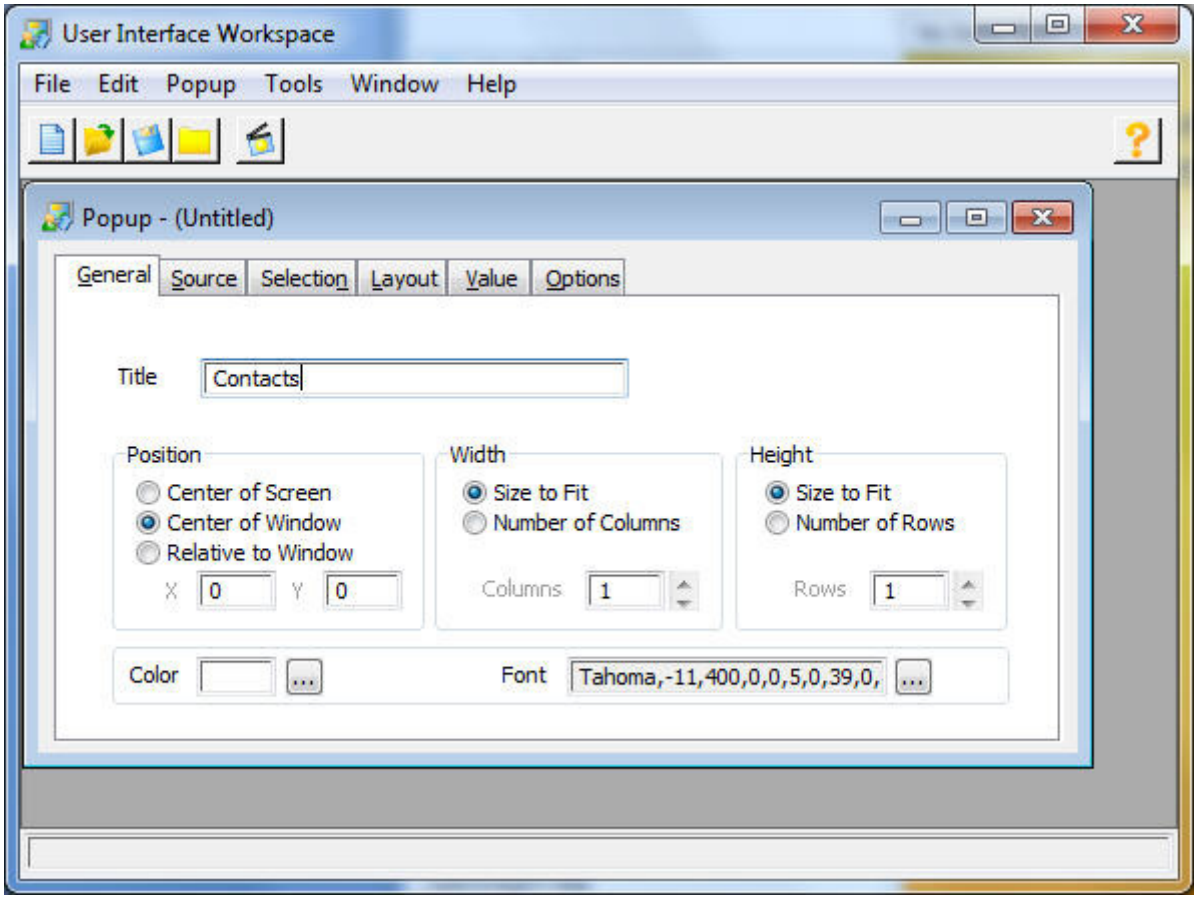
I. Creating a Popup

1. Launch the User Interface Workspace by clicking on *UI Workspace* from the *Application Tools* menu or press the UI Workspace button .

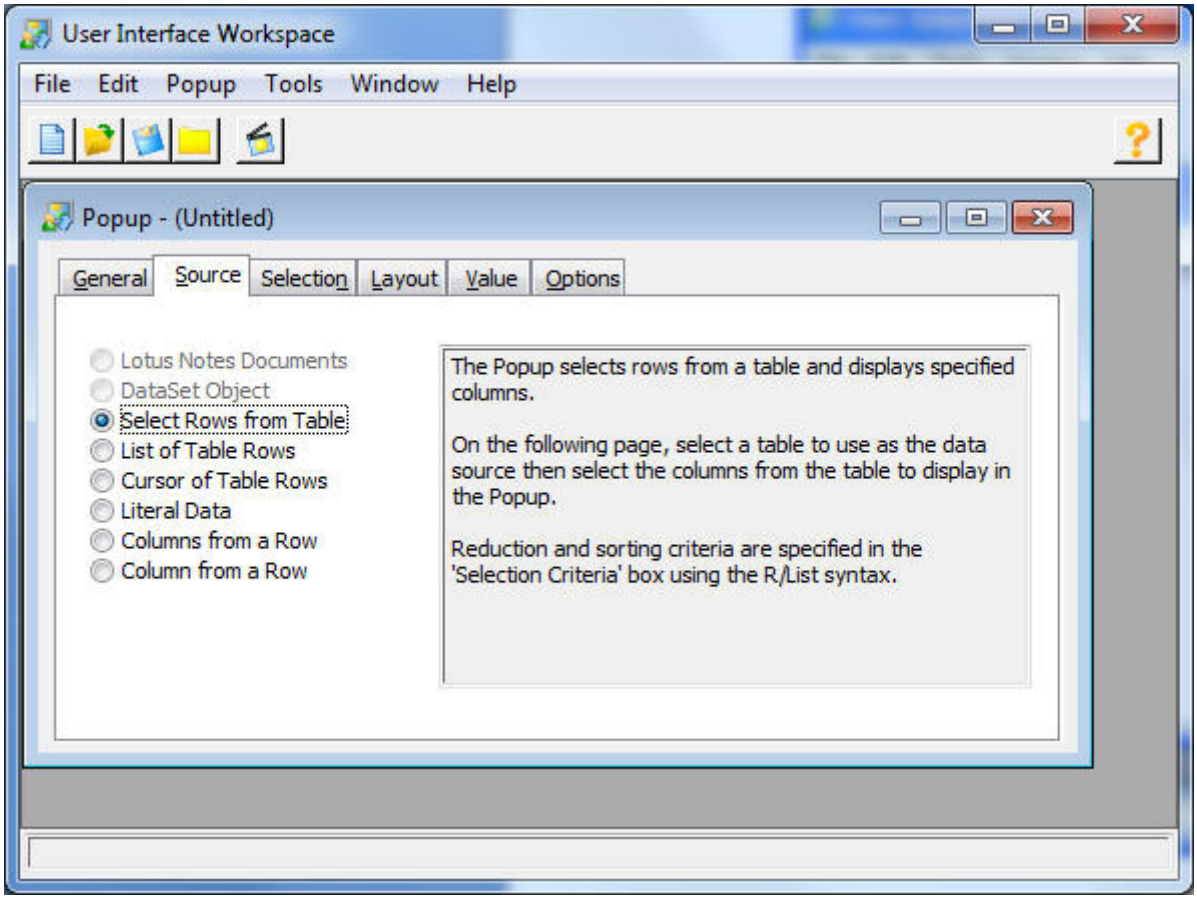


2. Choose New from the File menu; choose Popup from the New Entity dialog box to display the Popup Designer below.

3. Type: Contacts in the title edit line on the General tab. This is displayed in the title bar of the popup. Review the other options on this tab and accept the defaults, then click the Source tab.

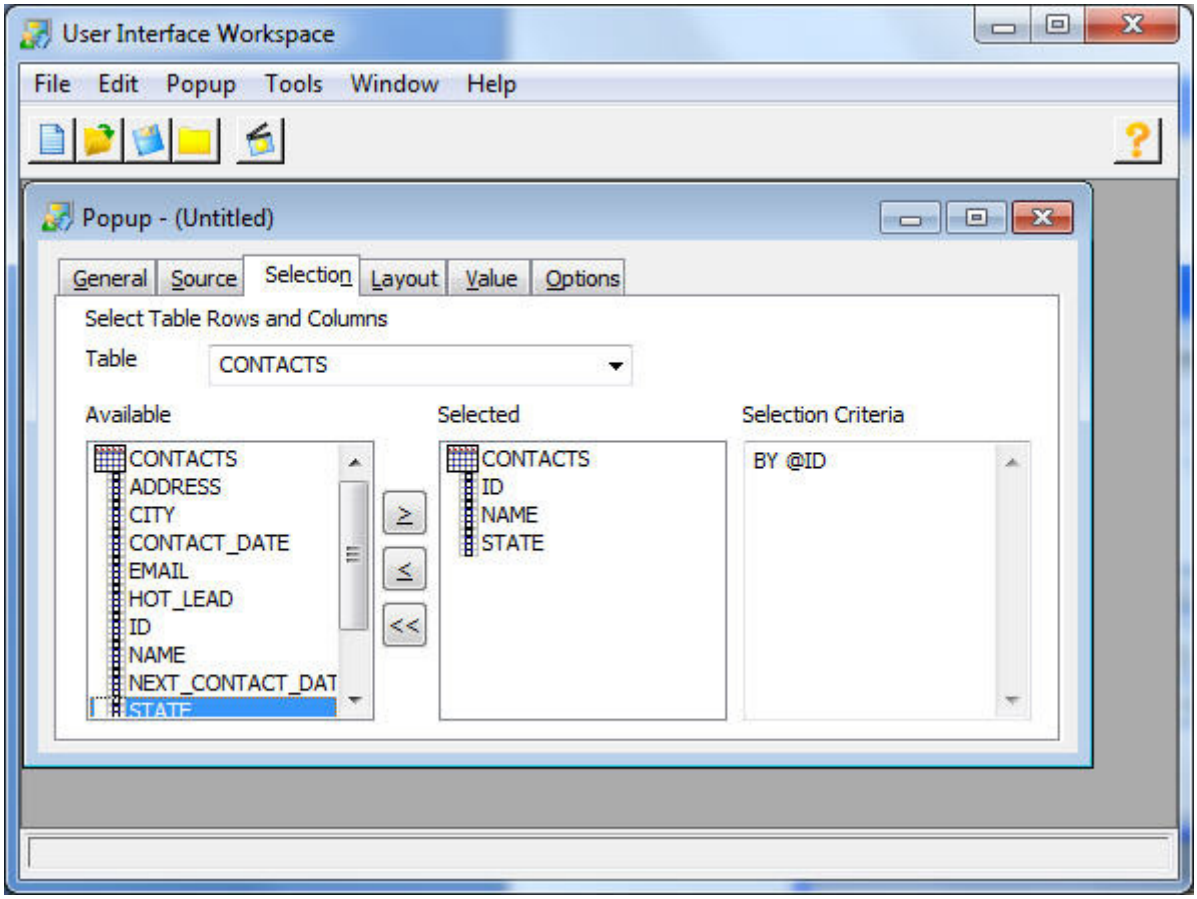


4. Click the *Source* tab where you specify a data source used to populate the Popup. Review all options and choose Select Rows from Table.

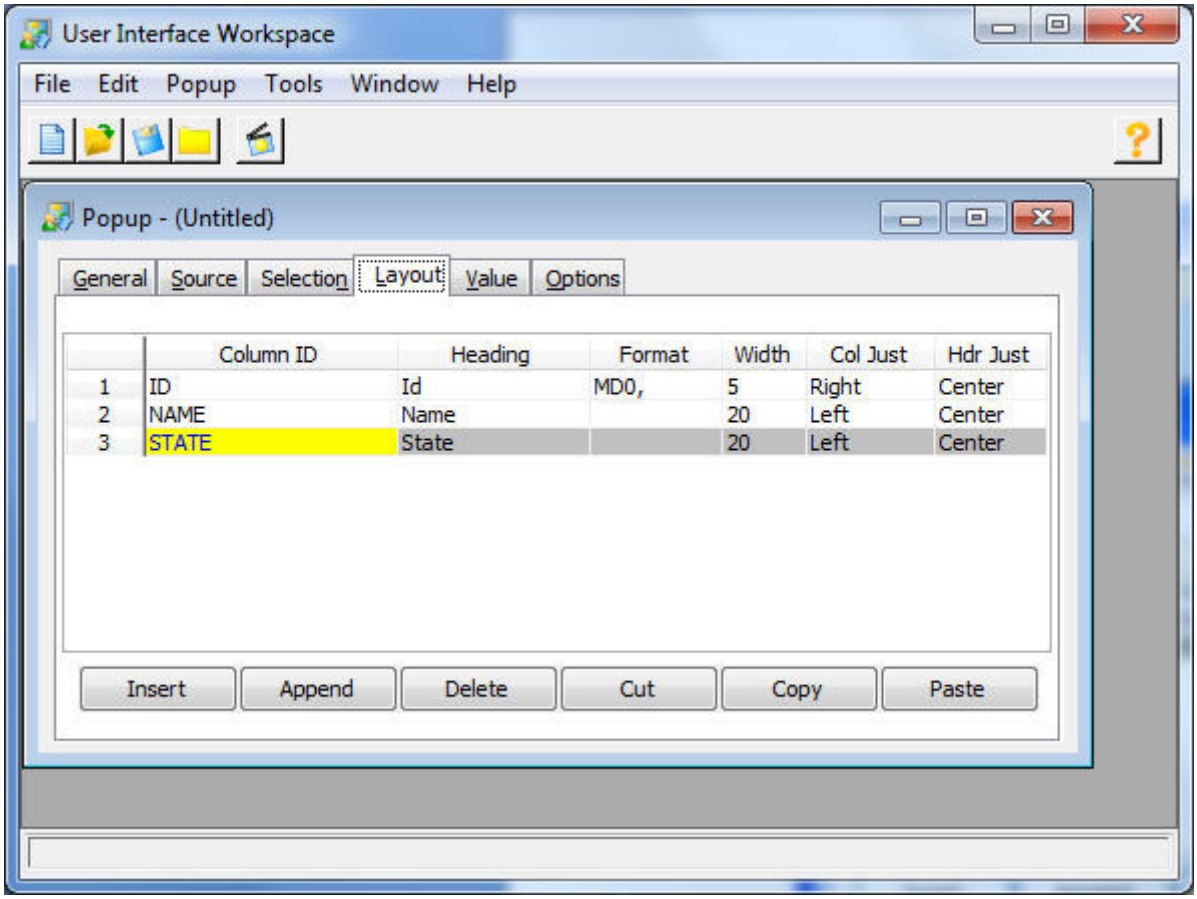


5. Click the *Selection* tab (which is dependent on the Source you selected). Regardless of the appearance of the *Selection* page, the process to be performed is that of selecting the specific data to be displayed in the Popup. The definition of a selection formula may be required.

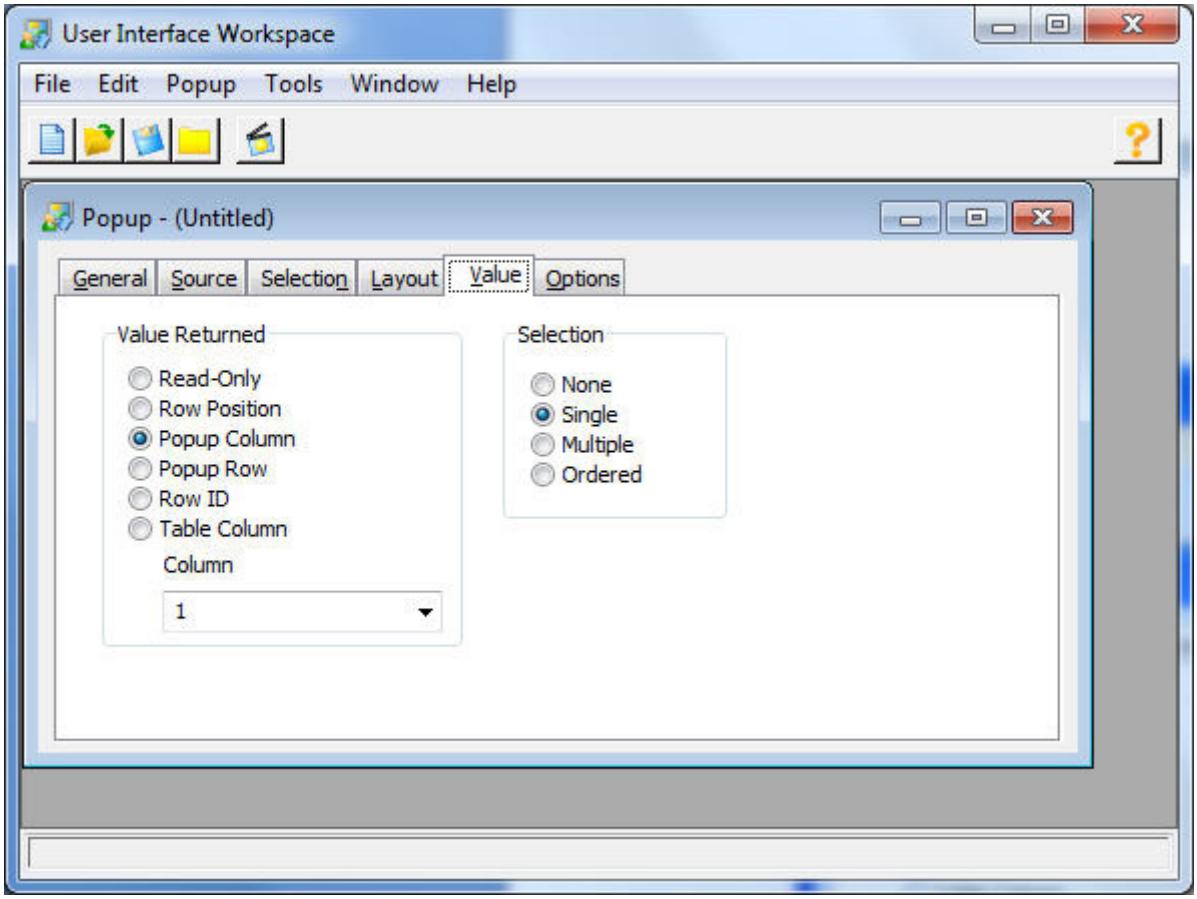
   Select CONTACTS from the Table drop down. Choose the fields you want displayed from the Available list and click the right arrow button. This will place the fields selected in the selected list.



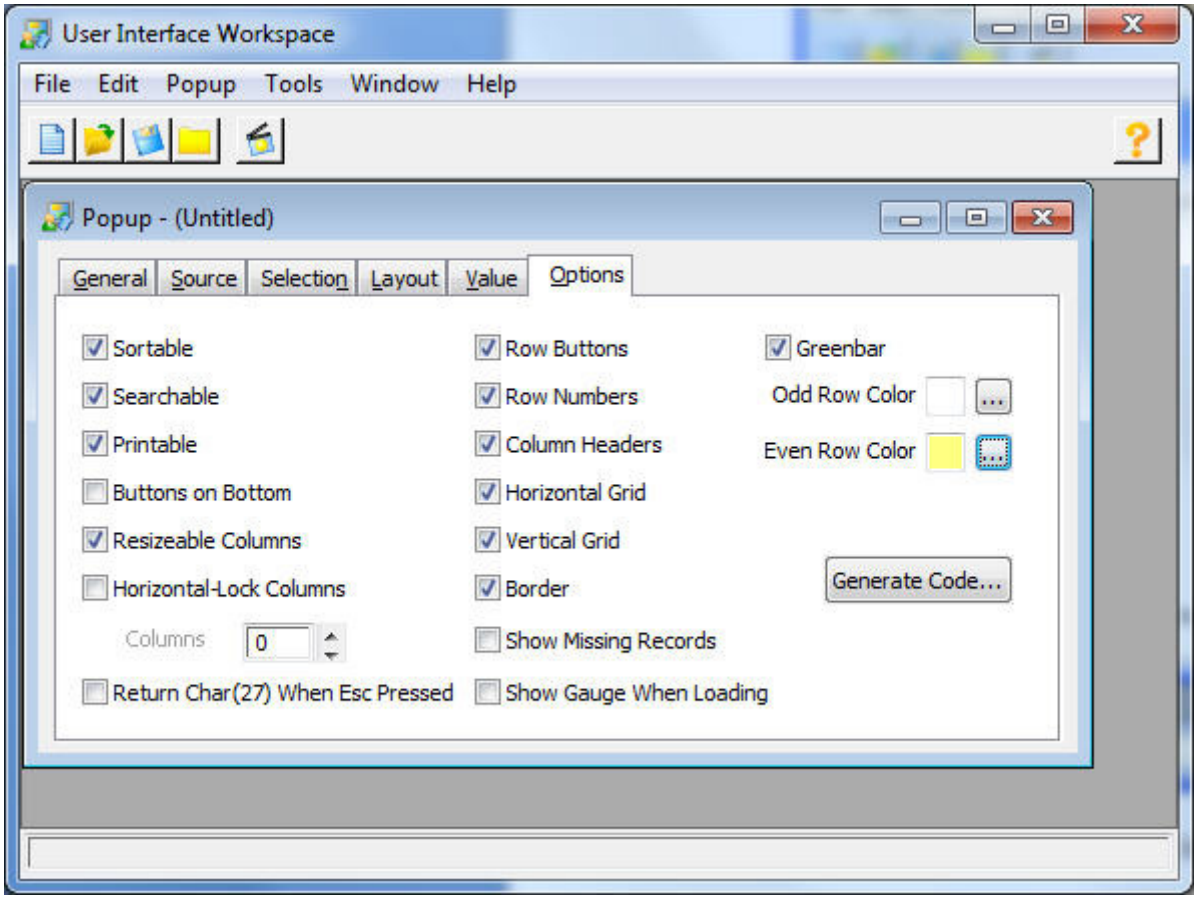
6. Click the *Layout* tab to describe how you want the Popup to look including column headings and alignment, width, etc. This is pre-populated with settings from the data dictionary.



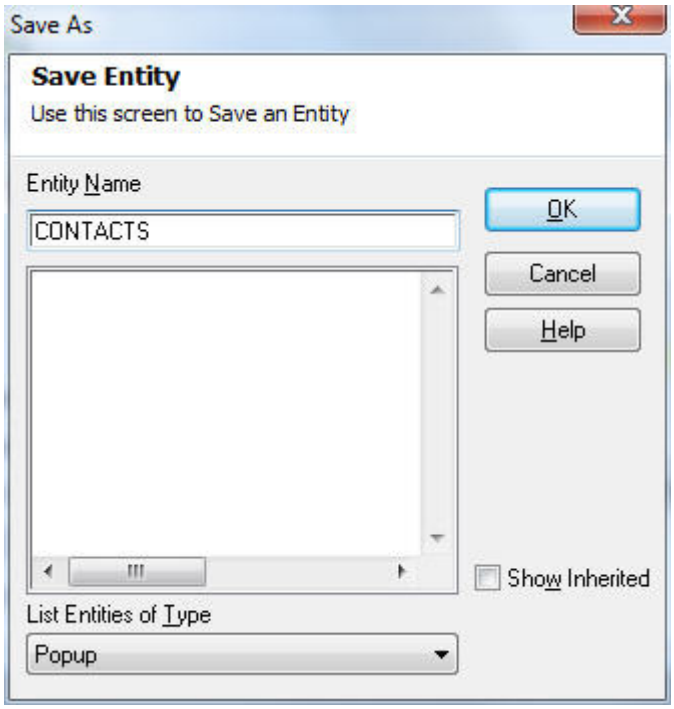
7. Click the *Value* tab where you specify what information you want the Popup to return, and specify the number of selections that can be made in the Popup.

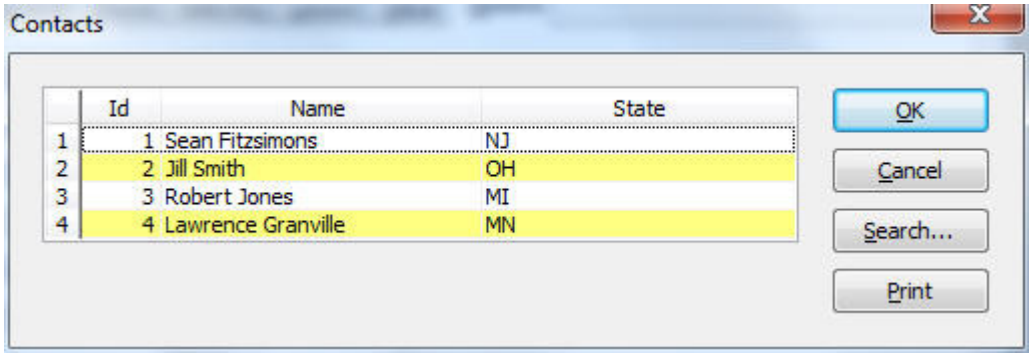


8. Click the *Options* tab where a number of miscellaneous characteristics of the Popup are specified.



9. Save the Popup, and then test it by choosing File, Test Run.



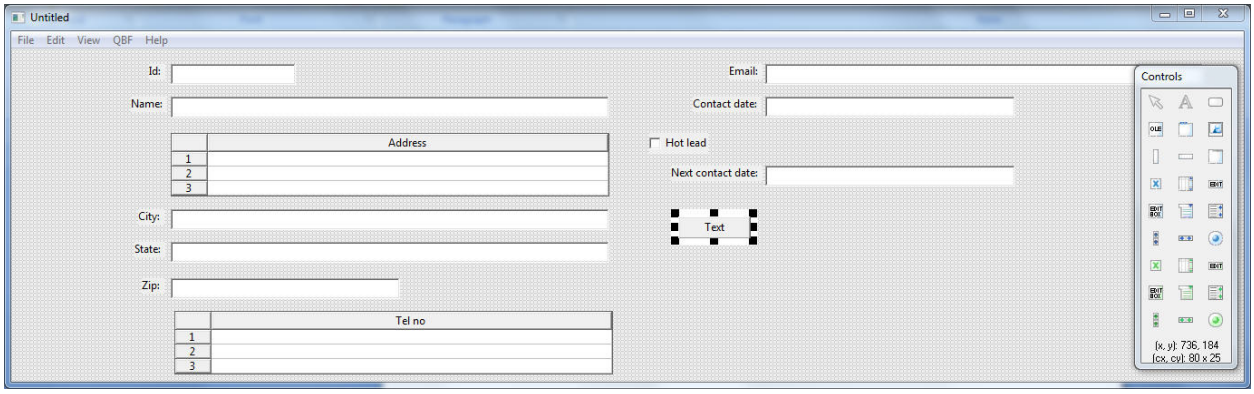


II. Adding Popup Functionality to a Window

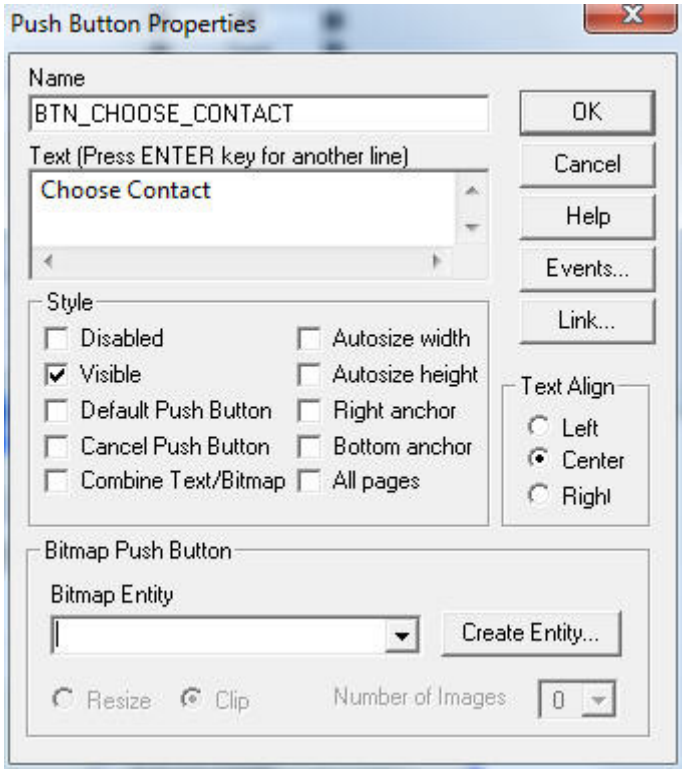
The most common use of a Popup is to provide users with a list of choices during data entry. The following procedure will demonstrate how to add a button to an existing form and the Event Handler necessary to execute the Popup and place the results within a data field.

1. Open the Form Designer.
2. Select *Open* from the *File* menu. Choose the CONTACTS form.
3. From the Controls tool bar select a button by clicking on the OK button icon, in the upper right corner

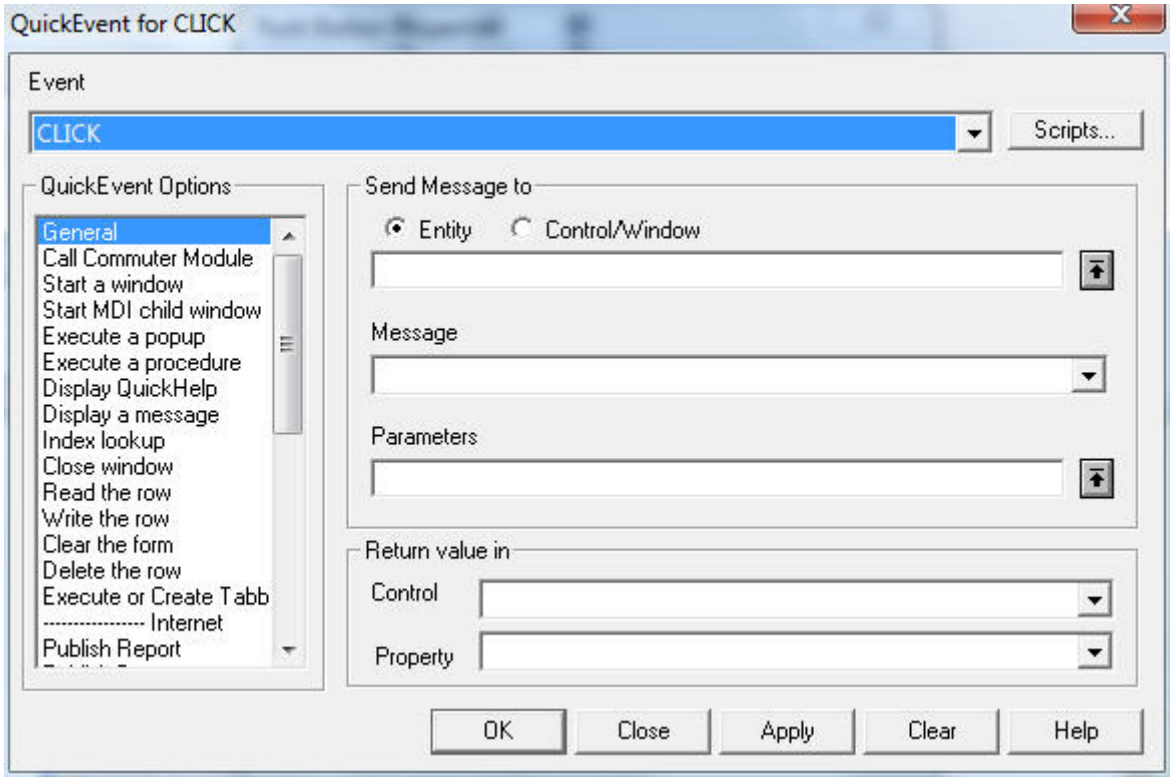
4. Place the control on the form by moving the mouse cursor to a location on the form where you want to place the control. The mouse cursor changes to the control's icon with a + appearing to the left and above the icon as soon as the mouse cursor enters the form. The + is used to help position the control. Click the left mouse button where you want to place the control. The control is displayed in the form in the selected state (with handles visible).



5. Double-click on the button. The Push Button Properties window will appear. Change the *Name* of the control to "BTN_CHOOSE_CONTACT" and the *Text* that is displayed on the control to "Choose Contact".



6. Click on the *Events* button to display the QuickEvent dialog box.



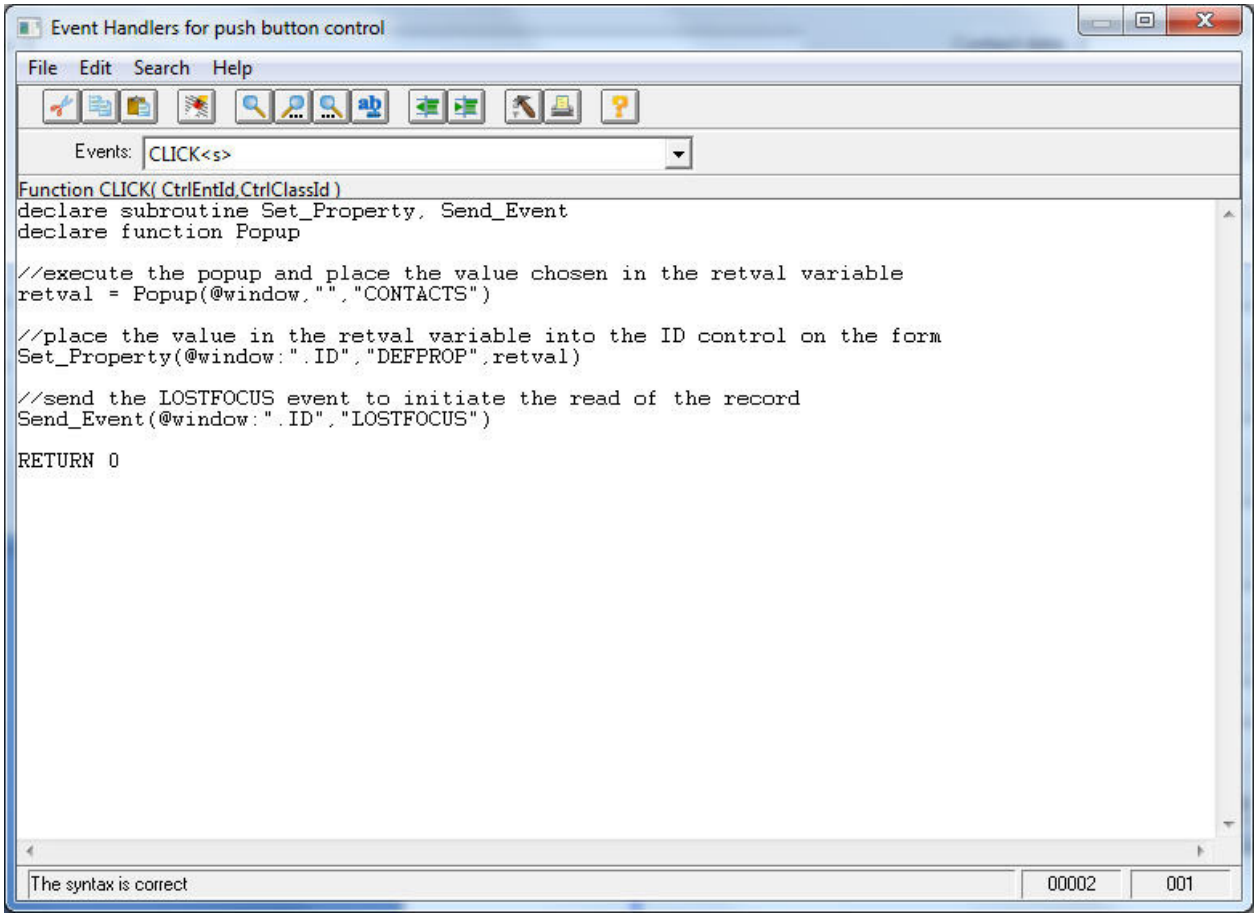
7. The CLICK event will be chosen by default.

8. Click on the *Scripts* button. This will launch the Event Editor. In the Editor type the following code:

```
declare subroutine Set_Property, Send_Event
declare function Popup

retval = Popup(@window,"","CONTACTS")
Set_Property(@window:".ID",”DEFPROP”,retval)
Send_Event(@window:".ID","LOSTFOCUS")
```

9. Select *Check Syntax* from the *File* menu. Any errors will be displayed at the bottom of the Event Editor window. If the syntax is correct the status line will display “The syntax is correct”.

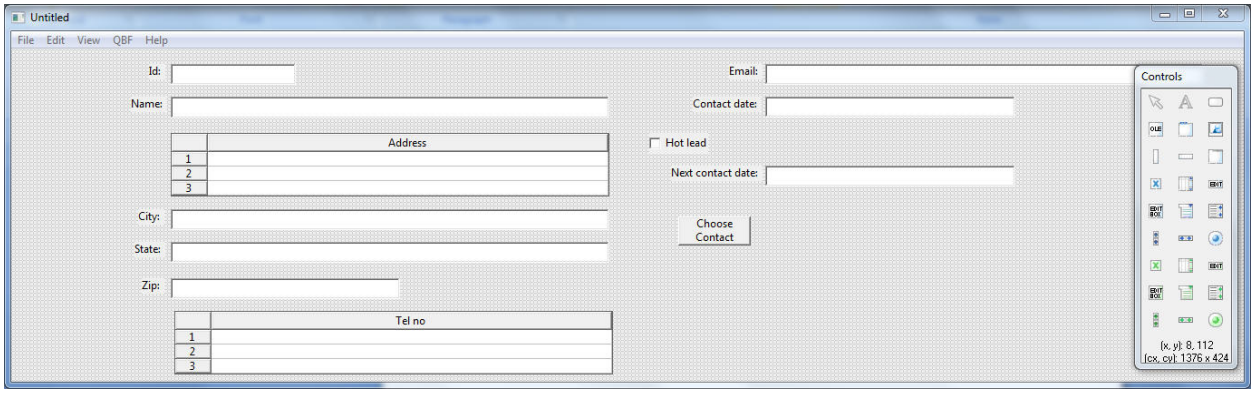


This will cause a popup to display when the Choose Contacts button is clicked. The user may choose a Contact. The value chosen will be placed into the ID control on the Contacts form. When the ID field loses focus a read of the ID placed into the field will occur.

10. Select *Exit/Update* from the *File* menu. This will save the code and return to QuickEvent dialog box.

11. Press the *Apply* button. This will place a <*s*> next to CLICK in the Event field.

12. Press Close. This will return you to the Push Button Properties window. Select OK on the properties window. This will return you to form.



13. Choose *Save* from the *File* menu.

14. To test run the MDI Frame, access the Contacts form from the File menu and click on the Choose Contact button.

Working with Reports

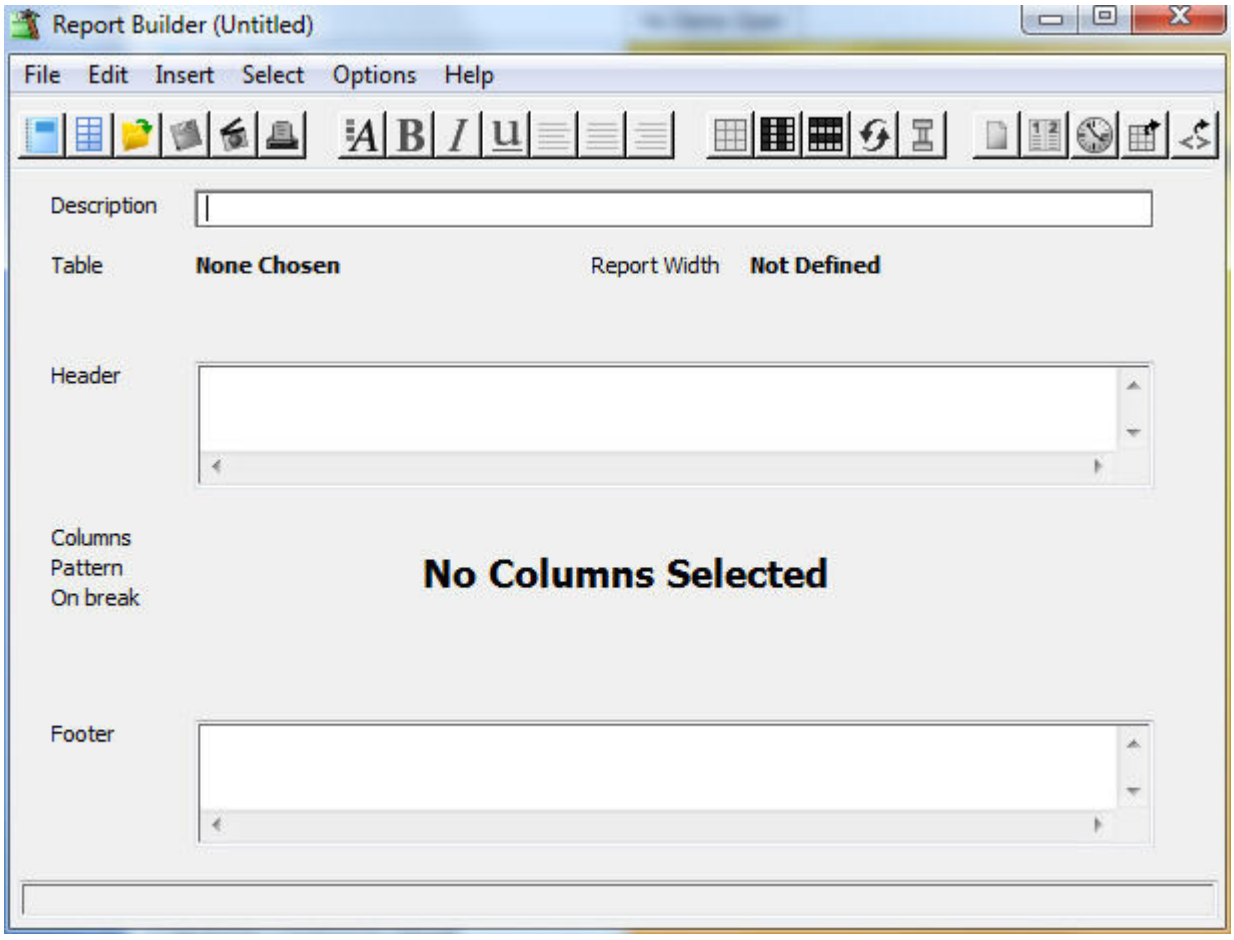
I. Report Builder+

The OpenInsight Report Builder is a tool used to create R/List type reports. Using the Report Builder+ the developer or end-user can create columnar reports on any attached table with a minimum of effort.

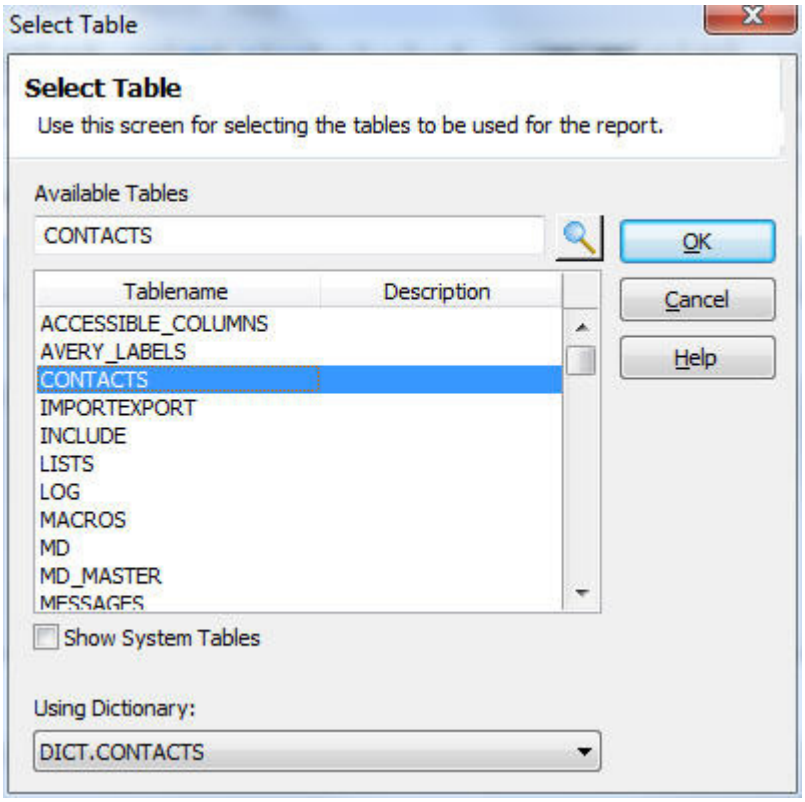
II Creating a Report

In this procedure you'll create a columnar report based on the CONTACTS table.
Exit all tools and return to the Application Manager.

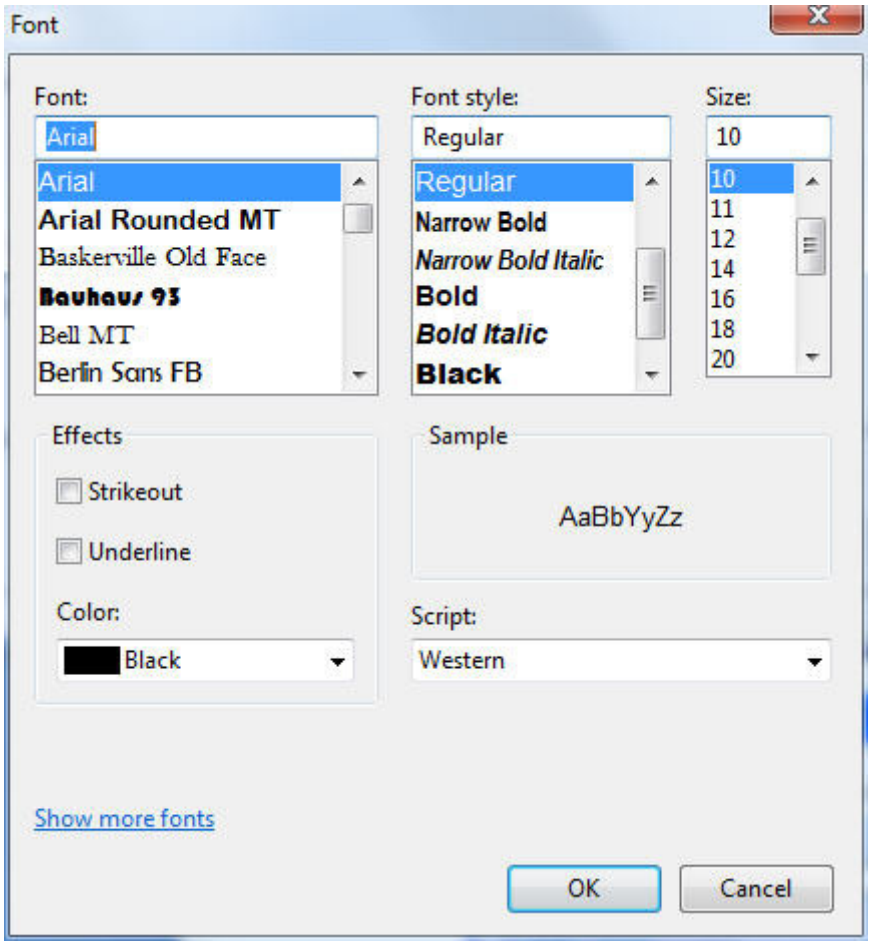
1. Click on *Report Builder* from the *Application Tools* menu or press the Report Builder button  .

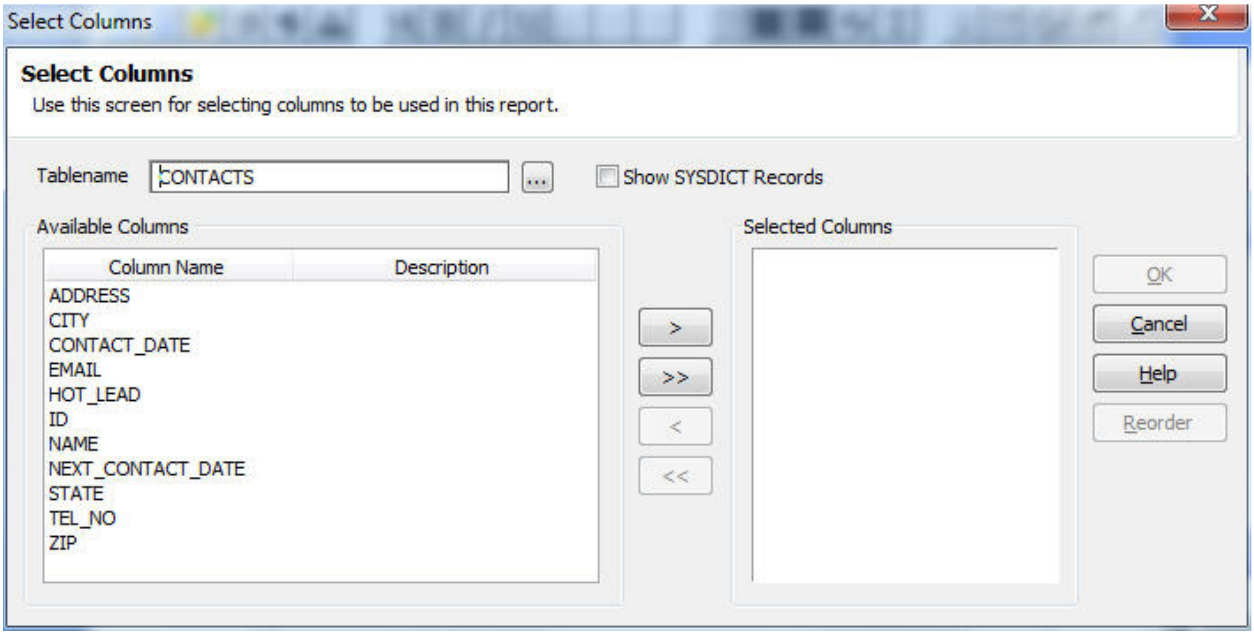


2. Choose *New Report* from the *File* menu. The *Select Table* dialog box is displayed. Select the CONTACTS tables



3. Click the OK button. The *Font* dialog box is displayed followed by the *Select Columns* dialog box.

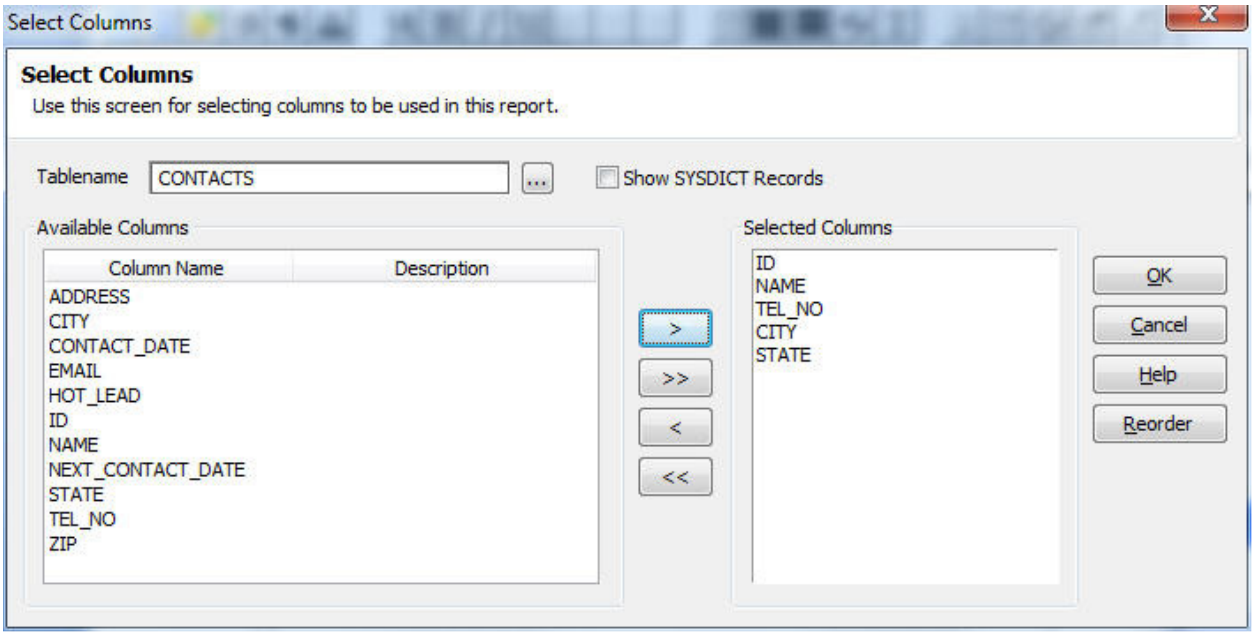




4. From the *Available Columns* list box, select the following fields by double clicking on the Column Name for each specified field and clicking the > button.

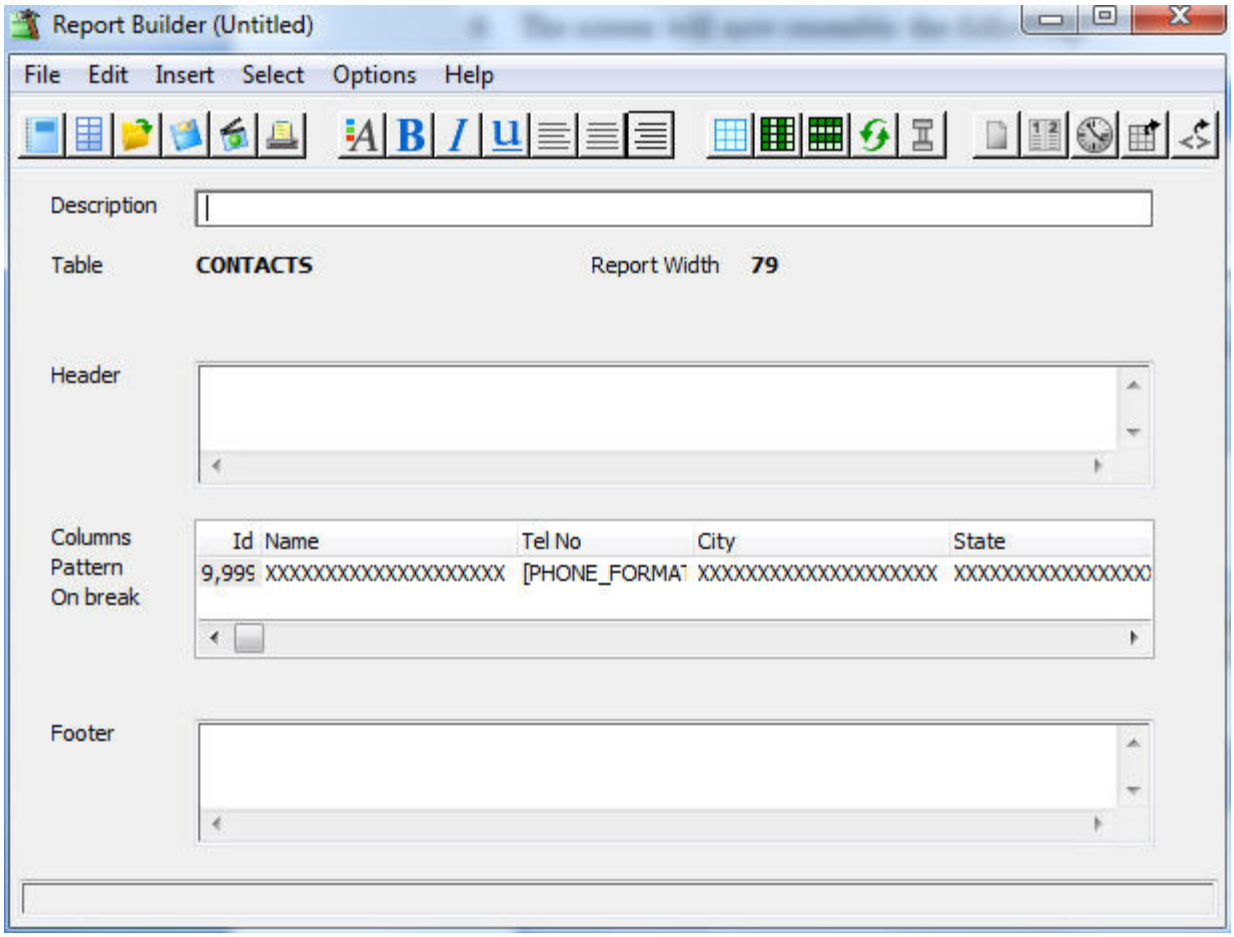
   ID
   NAME
   TEL_NO
   CITY
   STATE

5. The selected field names display in the *Selected Columns* list.

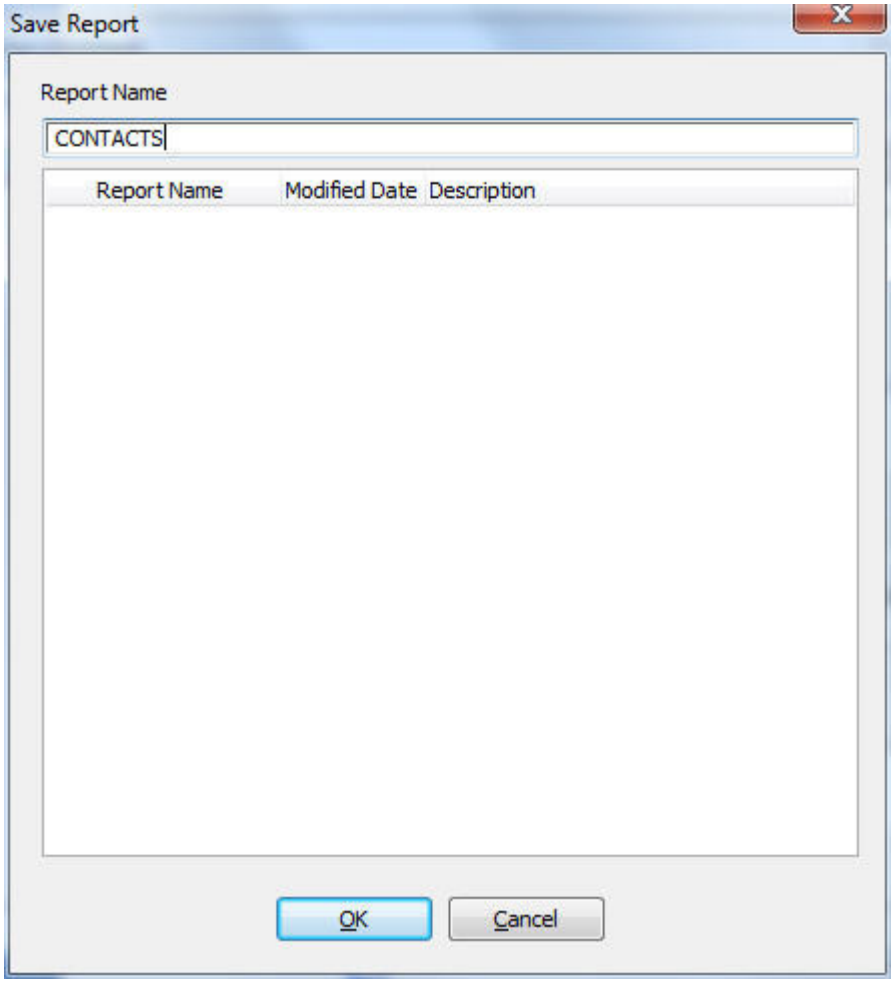


Note: If the Selected Columns are not in the order in which you want them to appear on the report, click the *Reorder* button to display the Reorder Dialog box.

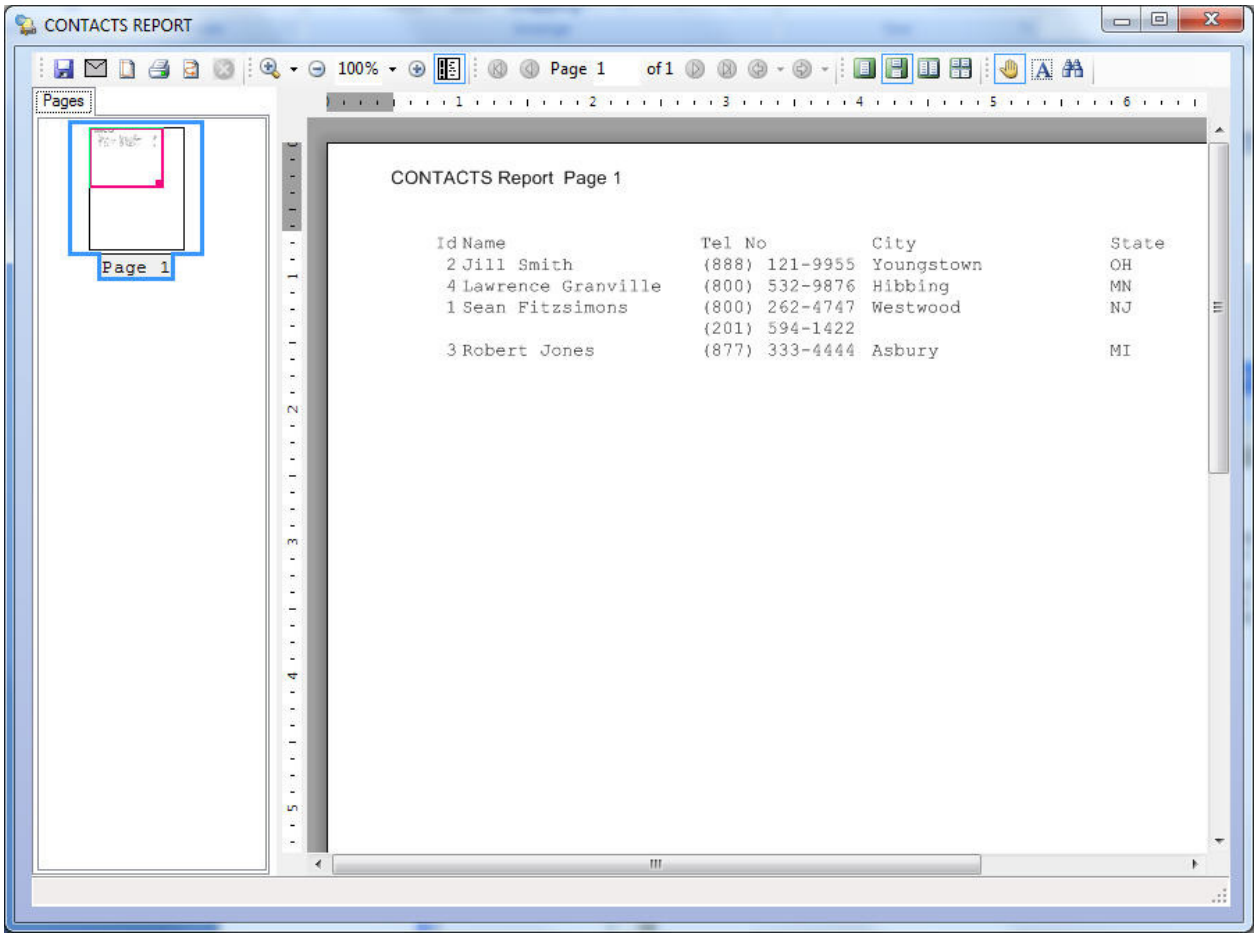
6. The screen will now resemble the following:



7. To save the report, choose *Save* from the *File* menu. Type CONTACTS as the report name and click the OK button.



8. Choose *Print Preview* from the *File* menu. The following report will be displayed.

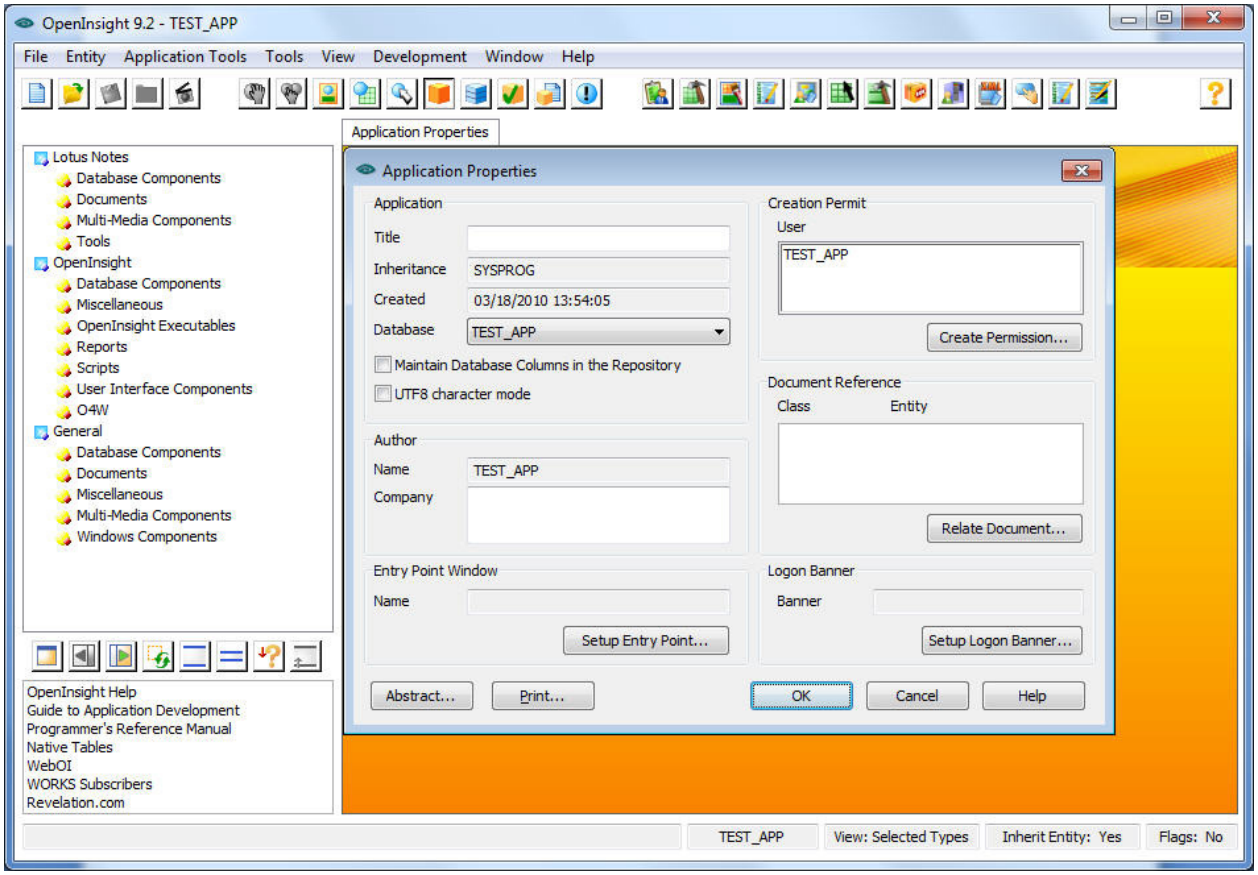


9. Click the Close button on the Preview window.

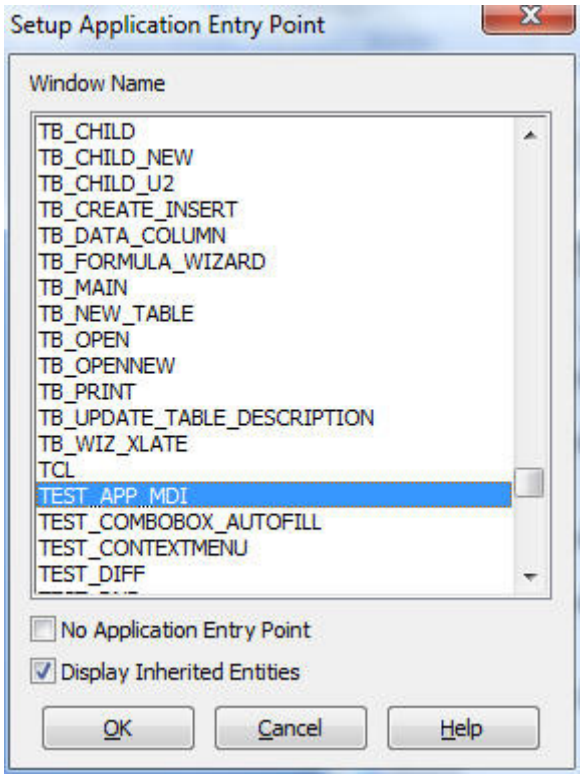
Setting an Application Entry Point

The application entry point is the first window that is displayed when the application is executed at runtime. For our purposes this will be the MDIFrame TEST_APP_MDI. The following steps will define the application entry point.

1. Choose *Application Properties* from the Application Manager *File* menu to display the *Application Properties* dialog box shown below.



2. Click the SETUP ENTRY POINT button (in the bottom left hand corner of the dialog box). The *Setup Application Main Entry Point* dialog box is displayed, as shown below.

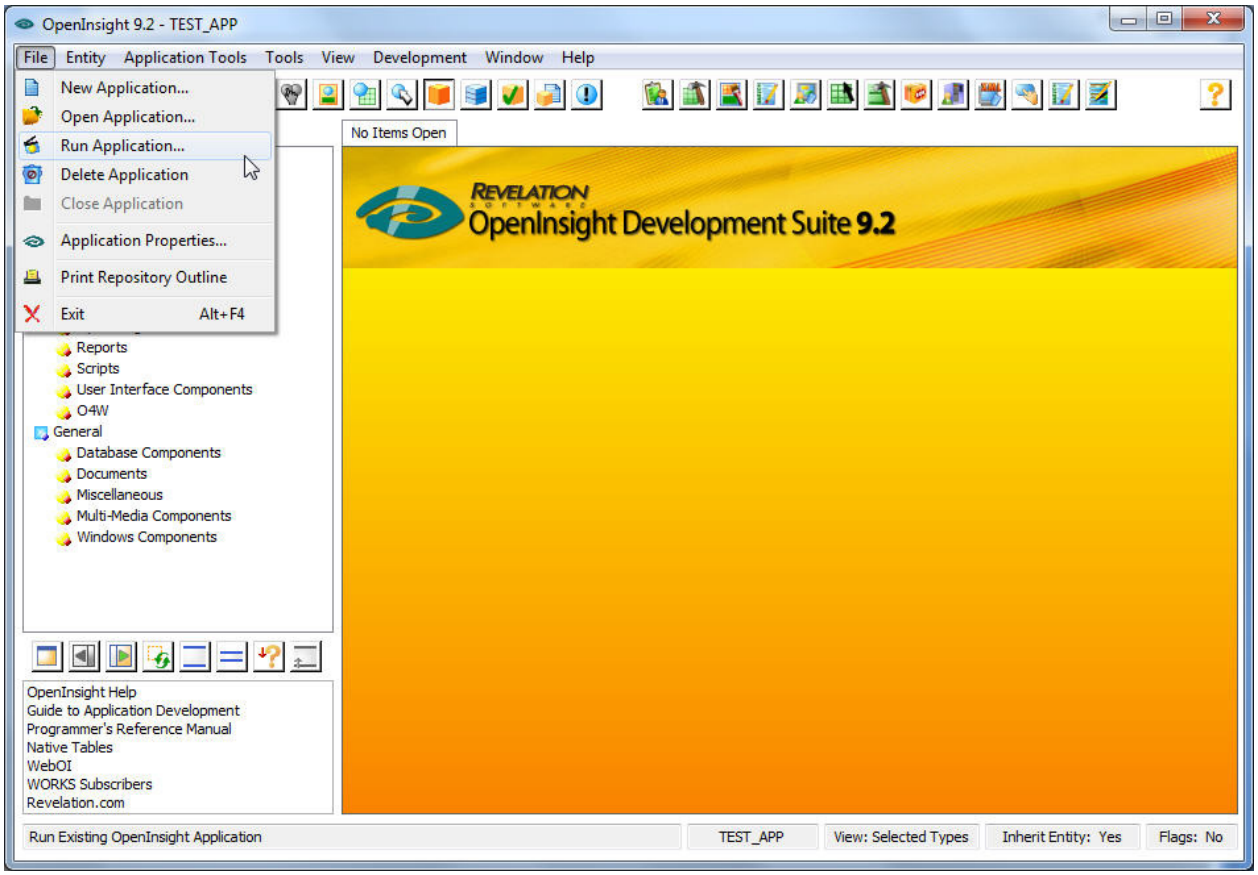


3. Clear the *No Application Entry Point* check box. The window names in the *Window Name* list box become enabled.

4. Select the form TEST_APP_MDI in the Window Name list box.

5. Click the OK button to update the application Entry Point option and return to the Application Properties dialog box. Click the OK button to close this dialog.

6. You will need to close and reopen OpenInsight to the TEST_APP application. Now choose *Run Application* from the File, Application menu. Your application will now launch.

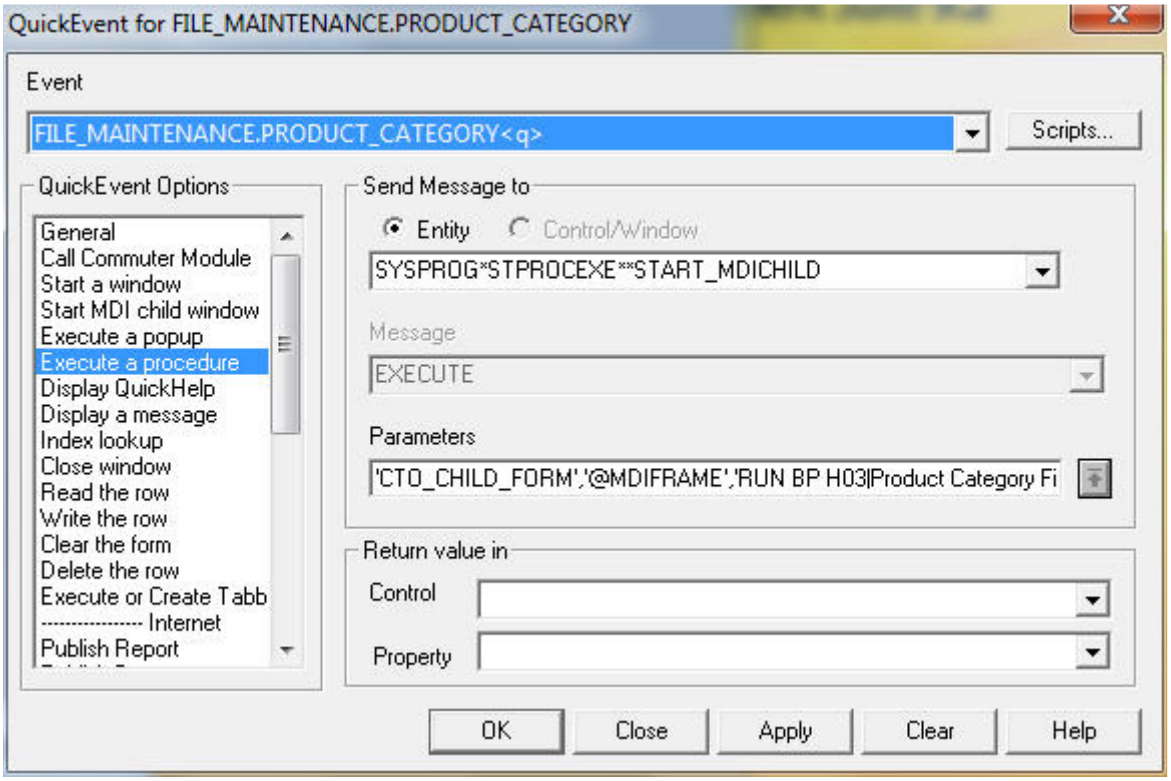


7. Select the TEST_APP application and enter TEST_APP in the User Name edit line, then click the OK button to execute the TEST APPLICATION.

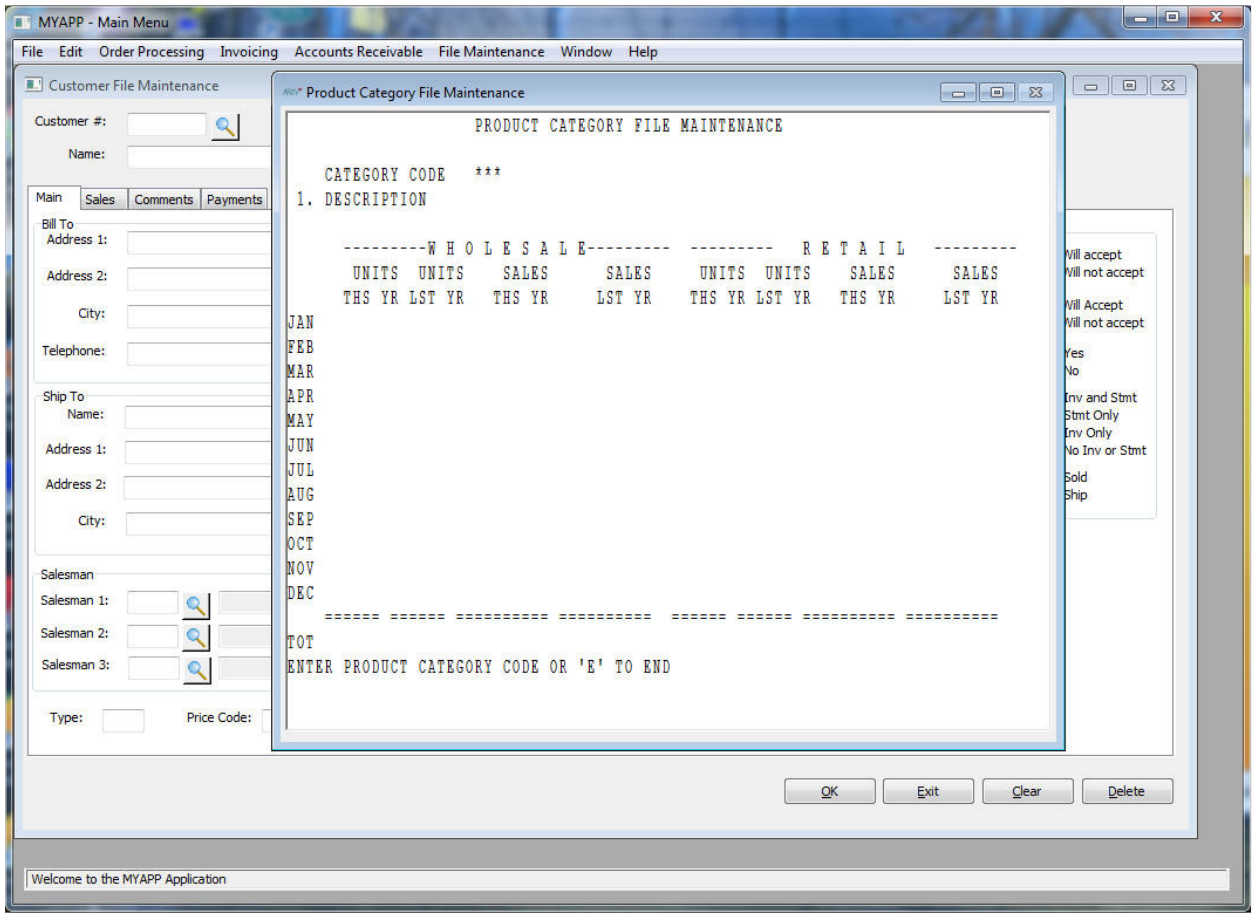
8. The TEST_APP_MDI window is displayed in runtime mode.

I. Launching a character form from a GUI menu

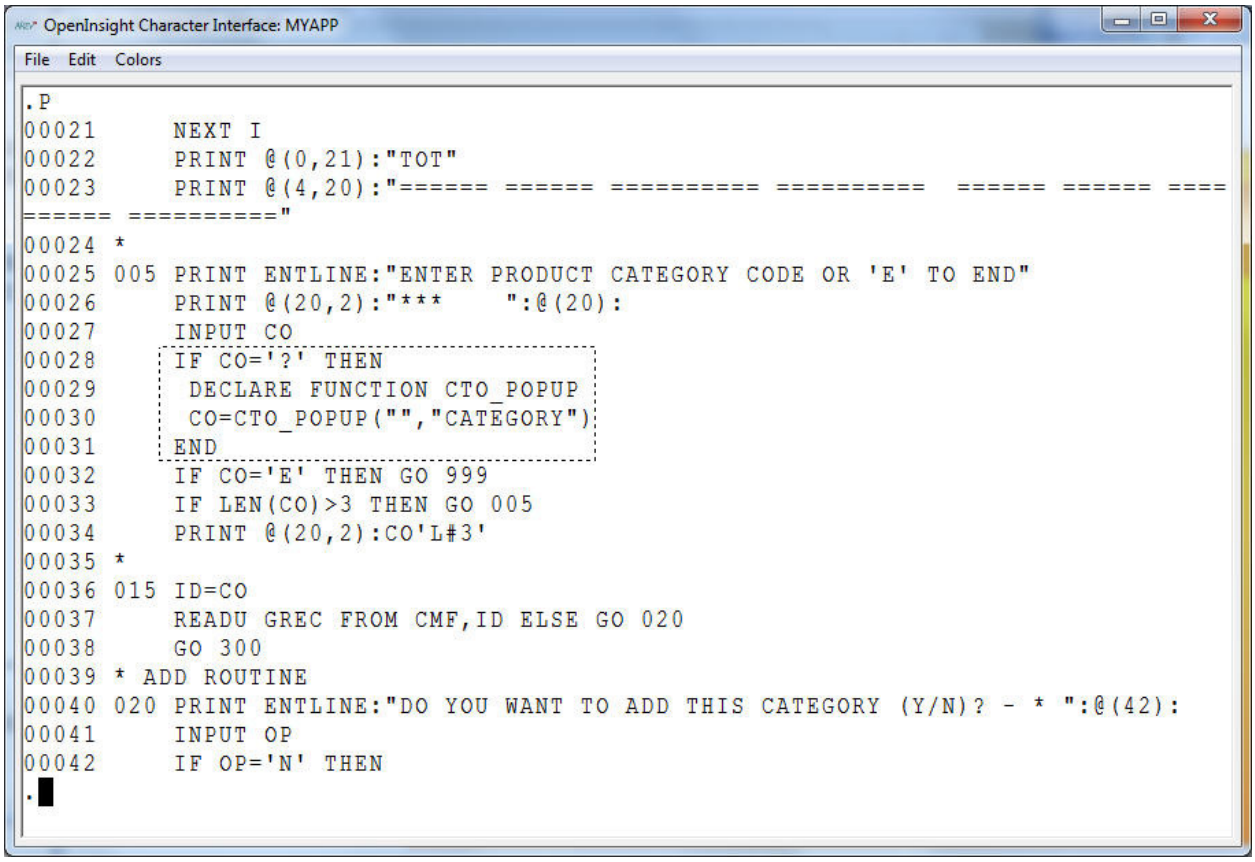
1. From the Form Designer open your MDI Client Window, go to Menu, Quick Events and open the Quick Event for the program you want to call. Choose Start MDI child window. In the Parameters section, replace ChildName with 'CTO_CHILD_FORM' and CreateParam with the command to run your program followed by the pipe symbol and then the name to appear as the form title.



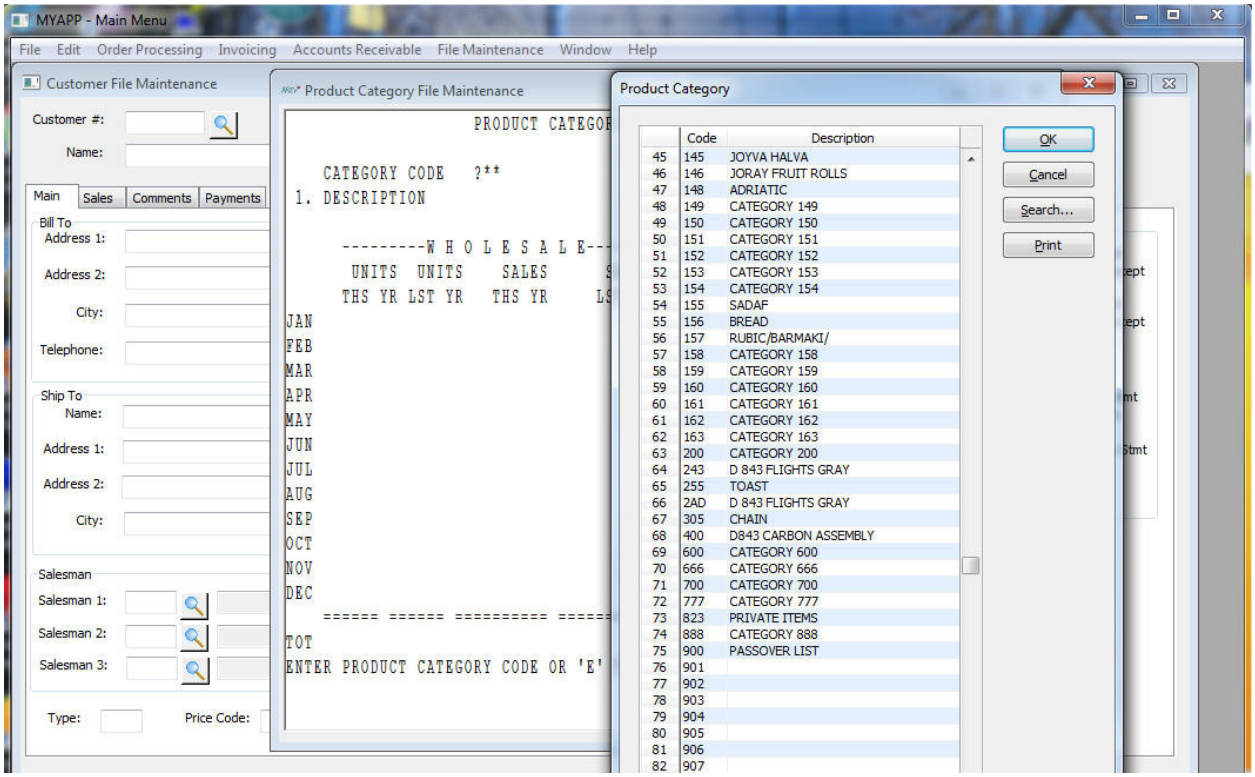
2. You can now launch multiple instances of your character and graphical forms within your MDI Frame.



3. You can add a GUI popup to your character-based program. In the source code of your pram add code similar to the following:

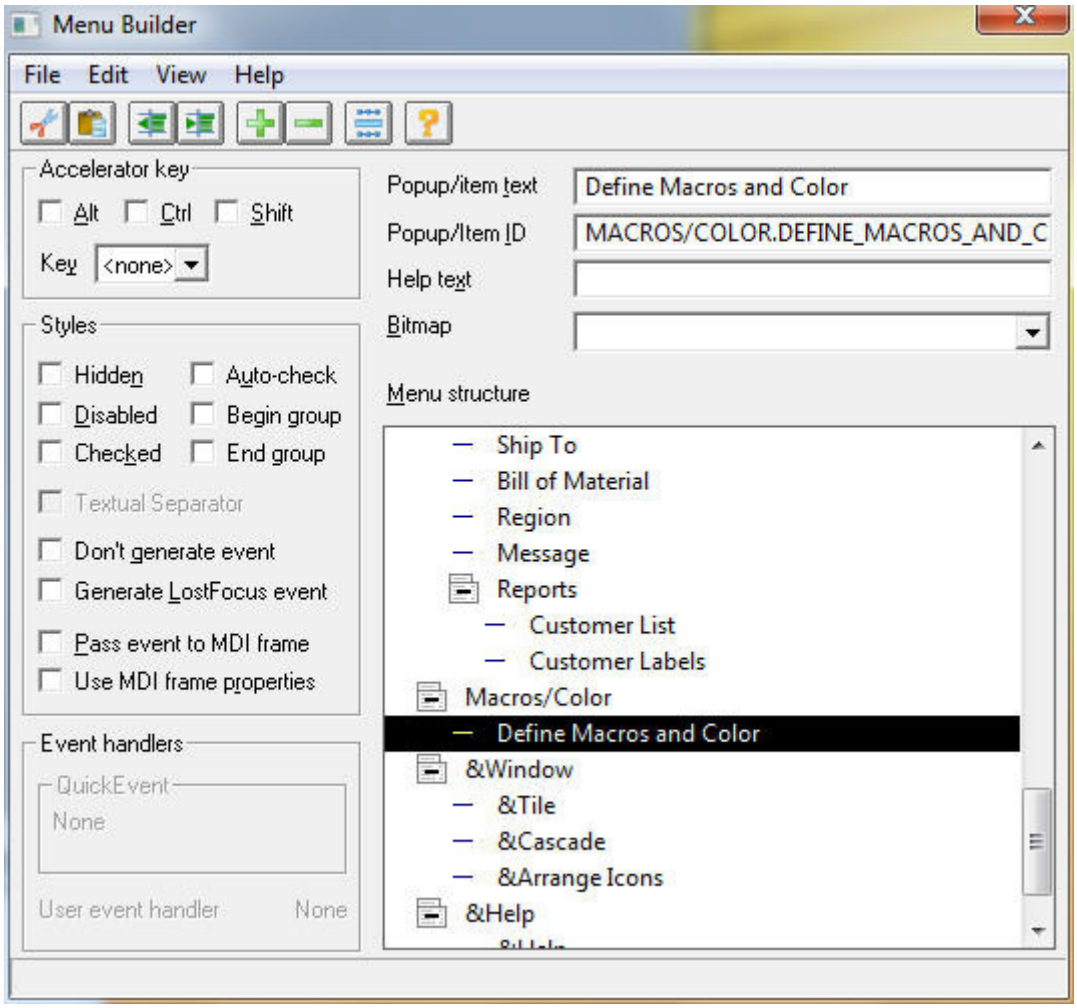


4. Your character-based form can now call graphical popups.

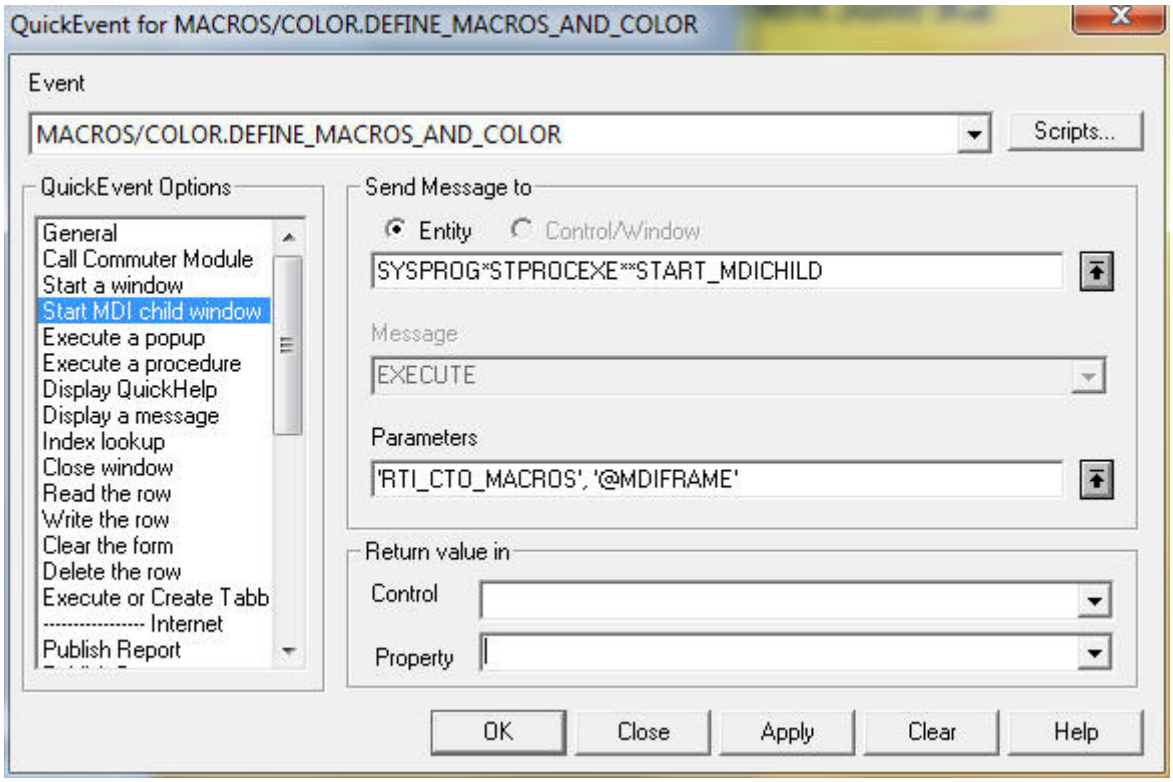


II. Adding an option to define macros and colors to your menu

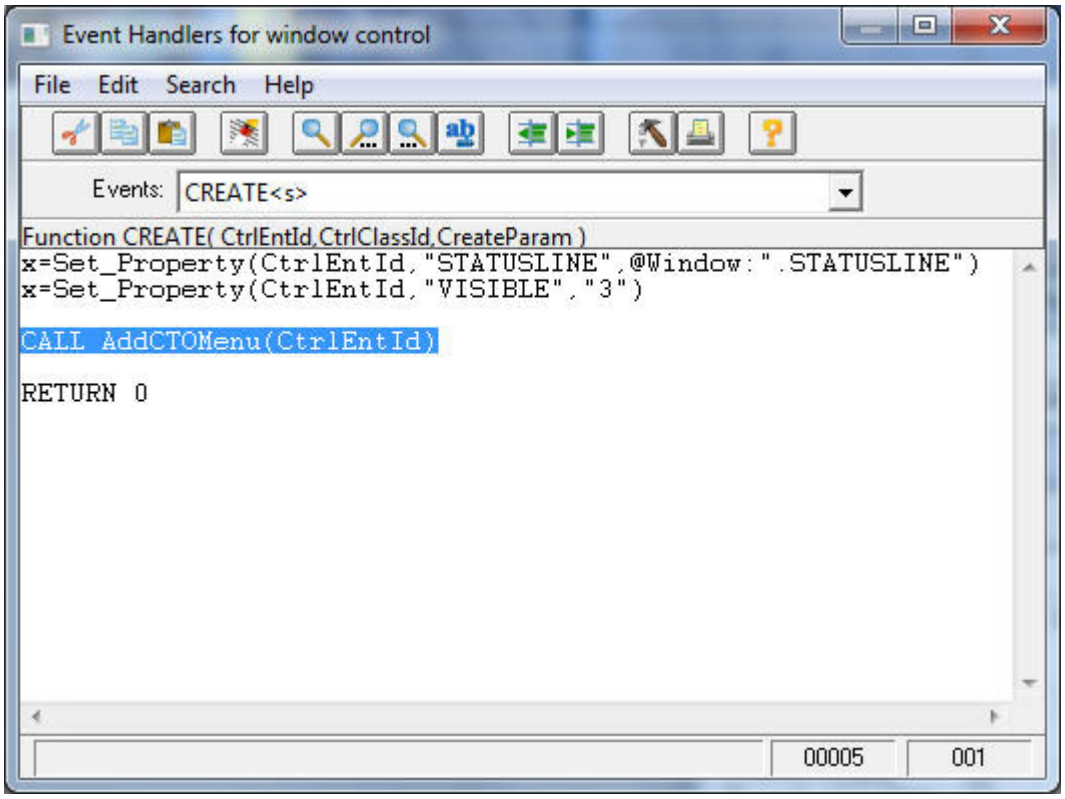
5. With CTO you can add a menu entry to Define Macos and maintain the foreground and background colors of the CTO_CHILD_FORM. From the Form Designer open your CONTACTS menu and add the following to the entry to the Menu Builder.



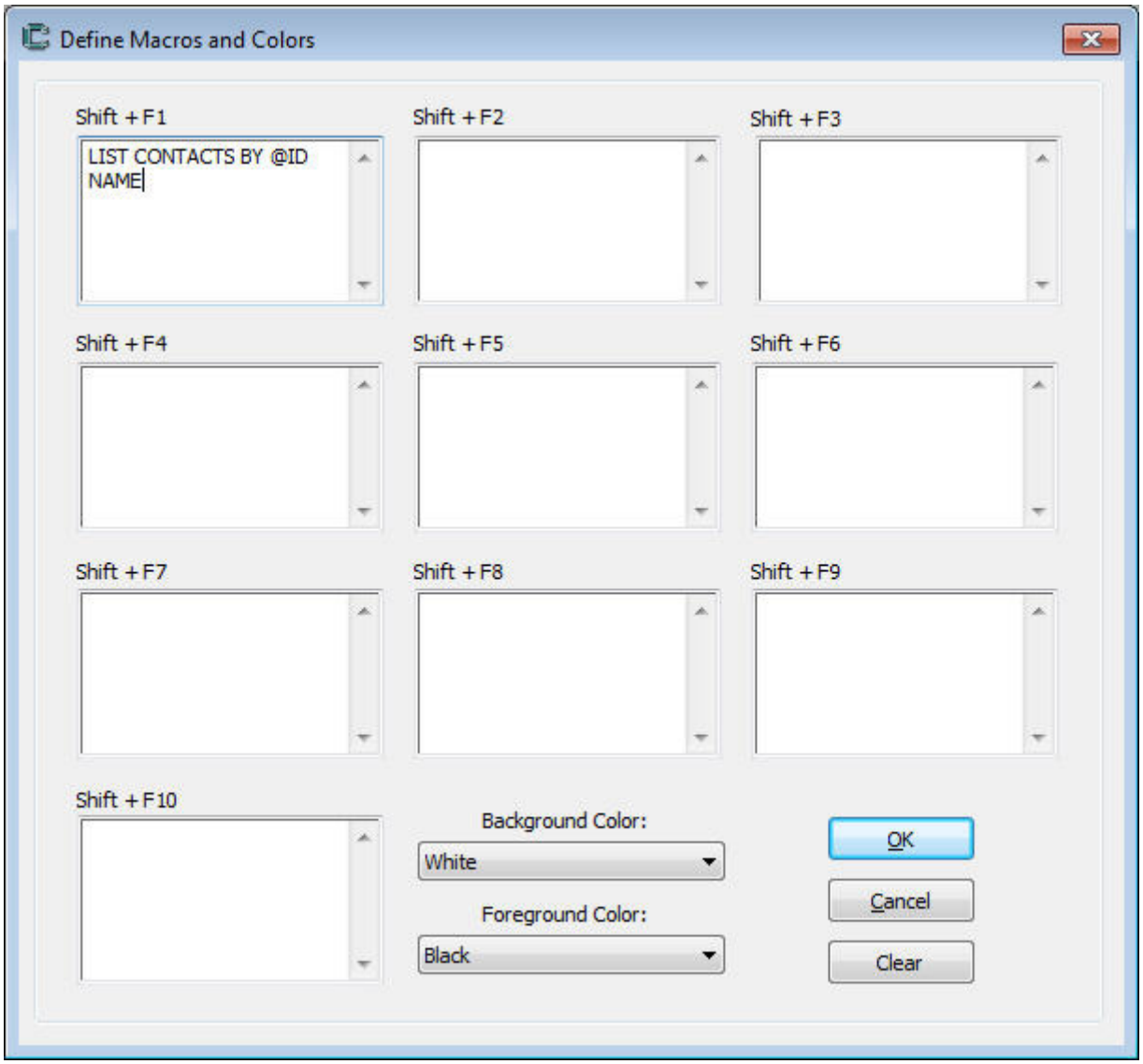
6. Add the following Quick Event for Macros/Color.



7. Add the following line of code on the CREATE event of the form.



8. The Define Macros and Color option on your menu will load the following form.



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