

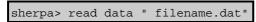
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## I/O Bugs: special characters

## **Bugs**

1. Problems with parsing the names of the files with special characters.

Sherpa will not correctly parse the following:



because of the extra space within the quotes.

2. Certain characters should be avoided in directory names and filenames as they can cause problems in I/O.

Often problems can be avoided by using double quotes when using "special" characters.

The standard set (defined as special by most operating systems) of "special" characters is:



Sherpa has additional restrictions on the use of the following:



Sherpa is known to crash when trying to write files whose names contain:



Sherpa will not function properly if the directory path contains the following:



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