

# How can I get the character used as decimal separator on the os?

It's possible to retrieve this info using from isCOBOL the classes:

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java.text.DecimalFormat  
java.text.DecimalFormatSymbols
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Here is a simple isCOBOL sample source:

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program-id. prg.configuration section.repository. class j as "java.text.DecimalFormat"  
class j2 as "java.text.DecimalFormatSymbols"working-storage section.77 var pic x any le  
ngth.77 w-j object reference j.77 w-j2 object reference j2.procedure division.main.  
    set w-j to j:>new() set w-j2 to w-j:>getDecimalFormatSymbols() set var to w-  
j2:>getDecimalSeparator() display "Decimal separator is: " var. stop run.
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