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Subject: Re: WIDGET\_OLH (online help) Help!  
Posted by [Robert.M.Candey](#) on Fri, 04 Aug 1995 07:00:00 GMT  
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In article <3vtd9p\$42a@canopus.cc.umanitoba.ca>, djackson@ibd.nrc.ca (Dick Jackson) wrote:

> Hi folks,  
>  
> I'd like to use the old IDL 3.6-style help for our own libraries now  
> that IDL 4.0 has its new browser for IDL and its libraries. Someone  
> once mentioned here that WIDGET\_OLH can still be used, but it's not  
> documented anywhere.  
>  
> My guesses at how to use it has not paid off, so could someone post  
> brief directions on how to get it to work under 4.0?  
>  
> Many thanks in advance,  
> -Dick

After you copy the old help files to the new help directory, you can use the following to call the old routines. I found I had to edit filepath.pro in version 4 for this to work on VMS.

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pro old_help, request
; call old style IDL help system (?) that has been replaced by an X-window only
; help system
; Robert.M.Candey.1@gsfc.nasa.gov; 1995 July 29
if n_elements(request) gt 0 then man_proc, request else man_proc
return
end ; old_help
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