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Subject: Re: IDL 7.0 on Mac: Help Mailto Link  
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Tue, 24 Jun 2008 17:25:23 GMT  
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On Jun 24, 10:16 am, Michael Aye <kmichael....@gmail.com> wrote:  
> On Jun 24, 4:12 pm, Michael Aye <kmichael....@gmail.com> wrote:  
>> But this link not doing anything. Do I have to set something up in the  
>> preferences?  
>> If so, where is it? I couldn't find anything like "default mailer?"

Yes, I have the same setup you mentioned and it does not work for me when viewing the help within Eclipse. The work around for me is to start the online help from the terminal command line:

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$ idl  
IDL> ?
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This starts a webserver and brings up a page in my default browser (don't get me started about the fact that I have to start a webserver to view the documentation). The comment links in the browser work for me (as Doug can attest to).

Also, there is a setting for the "Default email reader" on the general page of the Mail.app preferences that you need to have set correctly.

Mike

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