Subject: Re: 3.0 help system
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David Fanning wrote:
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> Mark Fardal <fardal@shapley.colorado.edu> writes:
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>> does anyone know how to pop up the old IDL 3.0 help window? I
>> miss the access to the user-library documentation and it's much
>> quicker than the new (ok, not so new now) version.
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You can place your own documentation into the old system by using the
MK_LIBRARY_HELP procedure. Place the out put from this into the
$IDL_DIR/help directory (or make links to it there). Then access
the help from within IDL by using

idl> widget_olh

It occurs to me that MK_LIBRARY_HELP may no longer be documented...
It has similar inputs to MK_HTML_HELP, which is documented. If I recall
correctly, its something like

MK_LIBRARY_HELP, input_dir, output_file [, /VERBOSE]

Make sure output_file ends in ".help" if you want widget_olh to work
(Obviously I'm talking about Unix systems here.. not sure about things
like Windoze)

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