
Subject: Re: IDL help in 8.3

Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Tue, 07 Jan 2014 15:08:45 GMT

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On Tuesday, January 7, 2014 9:24:35 AM UTC-5, David Fanning wrote:

> Haje Korth writes:

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>> superchromix: If I had to use an old help system it would be that of IDL 6.4. That functionality, especially the search, has yet to be matched by the Eclipse help system.

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> Yes, I often pine for good ol' IDL 6.4. IDL 7 offered support for 24-bit

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> PostScript output, which has been extremely helpful. And the IDLDE

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> interface, despite the fact that it changes on you with every update, is

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> helpful for those of us who can't train our fingers to use EMACS. I

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> don't think I use anything from IDL 8.

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> Did anyone provide a reason for getting rid of the help browser?

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> Cheers,

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> David

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> Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming: <http://www.idlcoyote.com/>

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> Sepore ma de ni thue. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

I was not told why the internal help is no longer present, but, in fairness, I also did not ask. Maybe we get a developer to comment? :-)

Cheers,
Haje
