
Subject: Re: Clearing widget_list of all entries
Posted by [Robert Weiss](#) on Thu, 17 Feb 2000 08:00:00 GMT
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David Fanning wrote:

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That's quite similar to what I did already (setting sensitivity to 0 for lists containing only an empty string)
... I just felt it would be a nice (and logical) feature for a list widget to be "emptiable" ;-) ... AND zero length arrays would come in handy for a couple of other problems as well (does anyone at RSI read this newsgroup?),

however, thanks a lot,
Robert.

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Or, if even this was too much list, you could put the list widget in a bulletin-board base and simply unmap the base widget. This would make the whole thing disappear, no matter

how many list items it contained.

Cheers,

David

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