

## Bugs & Wish list

Missing help text in /lib/prefs/feature.php | Tiki Wiki CMS Groupware :: Development

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### Status

● Open

### Subject

Missing help text in /lib/prefs/feature.php

### Version

18.x

### Category

- Feature request
- Easy for Newbie Dev

### Feature

Admin Interface (UI)

### Resolution status

Accepted

### Submitted by

hman

### Lastmod by

hman

### Rating

★★★★★ (0) ?

### Description

In lib/prefs/feature.php a couple of help texts were begun during programming, but never finished (they remain empty shells consisting only of a heading ("name"), but lacking description and/or hint).

These are feature\_action\_calendar, feature\_contacts, feature\_forum\_content\_search, feature\_forum\_parse, feature\_forum\_quickjump, feature\_forum\_topics\_archiving, feature\_gal\_slideshow, feature\_groupalert, feature\_integrator, feature\_notepad, feature\_score\_expday, feature\_tasks, feature\_user\_bookmarks, feature\_userPreferences, feature\_user\_watches\_languages, feature\_user\_watches\_translations, feature\_userfiles, feature\_usermenu, feature\_wiki\_import\_page, feature\_wiki\_undo, feature\_xmlrpc, feature\_hotwords, feature\_community\_mouseover\_country, feature\_community\_mouseover\_distance, feature\_community\_mouseover\_email, feature\_community\_mouseover\_gender, feature\_community\_mouseover\_lastlogin, feature\_community\_list\_country, feature\_community\_list\_distance, feature\_community\_list\_score, feature\_community\_list\_name, feature\_community\_mouseover\_score,

If these features are not meant to have help texts, then please remove the empty shells altogether, because the they really make for inconsistent look and feel of the admin UI. If a slightly more verbose version of the feature's name is to be transported, then this should be done in the name section and really have at least a couple words more than the name displayed.

### Importance

5

### Easy to solve?

8

Priority

40

Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)

Please demonstrate your bug on [show2.tiki.org](https://show2.tiki.org)

Version: trunk ▼

Demonstrate Bug (older Tiki versions)

Ticket ID

7430

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Tuesday 21 July, 2020 12:09:12 GMT-0000

by hman

LastModif

Monday 20 December, 2021 10:30:09 GMT-0000

Comments



hman 21 Jul 20 17:46 GMT-0000

feature\_credits also has a "help" that only consists of the headline with just one additional word "Tiki user credits"... Not very helpful IMHO.



Jonny Bradley 21 Jul 20 18:42 GMT-0000

Hi hman

Thanks for letting us know about all these things, but have you ever considered fixing them in the code yourself? These typo's and missing help text doesn't take any coding expertise and i think would be quicker than your bug reports and explanations, and you seem ok reading the source code!

If you're interested have a look at [Get code](#) and consider using an "IDE" to manage the whole thing, i recommend and use PhpStorm and you can use it free for Open Source.

Just a thought, your energy and attention to detail is really welcome here, i'm just hoping we can help use that as efficiently as possible (and so someone like me isn't in the way!)

Thanks, maybe come along to the Roundtable Meeting 2020 07 on Thursday if you're interested?



hman 21 Jul 20 23:47 GMT-0000

Thanks for the kudos.

Well, I did study computer sciences and have worked as a dev, but that was long ago. For decades I worked as a quality manager (QMA) and since 2003 as a professional software tester (ISTQB).

I have done PHP and SQL on some levels, but I lack routine in coding, and I am not worked into the coding style and conventions of Tiki. At the moment, getting my 18.6 to run is kind of a fulltime job (that's why I recently wrote "full of bugs" about 18.x). In Corona times I can spare the time to get my Tiki flying, but it really is tough business.

At the moment, after making 500+ corrections of grammatical errors, typos and filling in omissions, I still ponder whether I should delete language.php and rebuild it from scratch. I am backtracking the GUI one function at a time, and 30% of all text is missing in the German language.php, 40% is in the wrong language level (addressing the user informally), 10% were interpreted wrong, 10% showed bugs and 10% haven't even been working in English...



Adrien 16 Nov 21 12:48 GMT-0000  
A junior developer will be assigned.



Marc Laporte 18 Dec 21 01:59 GMT-0000  
Quick analysis:

The code in <https://gitlab.com/tikiwiki/tiki/-/blob/21.x/lib/prefs/feature.php#L867> is copied below:

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'feature_notepad' => [ 'name' => tra('User notepad'), 'help' => 'Notepad', 'type' => 'flag', 'default' => 'n', ],
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See video: [tiki-download\\_item\\_attachment.php?attId=768](#)



Bernard Sfez / Tiki Specialist 18 Dec 21 07:02 GMT-0000  
I agree with you Marc and I think we should change the logic and add a condition.  
Display the tooltip if description is not empty.  
  
This is a right way.

Attachments

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GMT-0000

The original document is available at  
<https://dev.tiki.org/item7430-Missing-help-text-in-lib-prefs-feature-php>