Help

Similar to links in the app to doc.tiki.org, plugin helper (added in Tiki3) and module helper (in Tiki7), we need various helpers. In upcoming versions, we will add more.

Update: After evaluating the different scripts below, we decided on Bootstrap Tour. The license was changed to MIT and the library was added to Tiki trunk, to be Tiki 15. There's a doc page at https://doc.tiki.org/PluginTour with preliminary information so far.

Help popups / On-page guidance / site tour

When in help mode, Tiki should have help popup

- For internal Tiki features
- For sites/apps made with Tiki, like CartoGraf
- https://github.com/search?o=desc&q=tour&s=stars&type=Repositories&utf8=%E2%9C%93
- https://www.designernews.co/stories/15273-a-list-of-product-tour-plugins-for-onboarding
- The selected library should work well enough in mobile mode

This is a nice example:

1.1.1. Joyride

License: MIT
1.1.2. Intro.js

Intro.js A better way for new feature introduction and step-by-step users guide for your website and project.
License: MIT

1.1.3. pageguide.js

https://github.com/tracelytics/pageguide#readme
License: MIT

1.1.4. tourist

License: MIT

1.1.5. Bootstrap Tour

http://bootstraptour.com/
License: Apache 2 (Not compatible) but moving to MIT
Lots of features, including multi-page

1.1.6. Bootstrap Tour (guild)

https://github.com/Gild/bootstrap-tour (this is a different project, and dead)
License: MIT. No demo found.

1.1.7. Guiders.js

https://github.com/jeff-optimizely/Guiders-JS#readme
License: Apache 2 (Not compatible).

1.1.8. King_tour

License: Not declared (and broken demo)

1.1.9. Bootstro.js

- https://github.com/devoopsme/devoops/issues/6

1.1.10. trip.js

- http://eragonj.github.io/Trip.js/
1.1.11. Bootstrap Application Wizard

1.1.12. Hopscotch

- [https://github.com/linkedin/hopscotch](https://github.com/linkedin/hopscotch)
- license: Apache 2.0 (not compatible)

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Notes: *Selectors are the page elements that are the "tour stops". If they can be any element (id or unique
class) then the tour can run on Tiki pages with no special markup, such as admin pages, etc. **Factoid is a package of website help components.

Regarding mobile performance, the scripts that are responsive all show the tour step popups clearly if the popups are positioned above or below their target elements, but if they pop up to the left or right, then some horizontal scrolling may be needed to see/access them on small screens, depending on the location of the target element on the screen.

1.2. Query builder
Project to integrate a nifty tool to query data in Trackers or in the Spreadsheet. See: Tracker Query

1.2.1. Chart editor
And create some charts from this info, like this one

1.3. Function helper
Point & click to using functions in the Spreadsheet

1.4. Mathematical equations helper

- Math

1.5. Theme designer CSS helper
auto-complete, drop-downs, etc.
Autocompletion is available from CodeMirror 2.x!

1.6. File and Image helper

- [http://elfinder.org/](http://elfinder.org/)
  - elfinder is an open-source file manager for web, written in JavaScript using jQuery UI.
    - License: BSD
    - Permits many features, including image cropping
- kfm
- draw

1.7. Others

- [http://larsjung.de/twinkle/](http://larsjung.de/twinkle/)

1.8. Wishlist
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- **Tips about tracker plugins**
  - Submitted by: Marc Laporte
  - Importance: 9
  - Easy to solve?: Easy
  - Priority: 90
  - Category: Feature request
  - Created: 2008-11-12
  - LastModif: 2013-03-21
  - Comments: 0

- **On tiki-listpages.php the "?" icon links to not found page on doc.tiki.org**
  - Submitted by: luciahs d'
  - Importance: 9
  - Easy to solve?: Easy
  - Priority: 90
  - Category: Usability
  - Created: 2018-10-11
  - LastModif: 2018-12-06
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- **Help system: upgrade script should update to new destination on doc.tikiwiki.org**
  - Submitted by: Marc Laporte
  - Importance: 6
  - Easy to solve?: Easy
  - Priority: 48
  - Category: Documentation
  - Created: 2007-06-12
  - LastModif: 2010-01-18
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- **Help System Link on Admin::General goes to useless page**
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**Related**

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