

# **amigaguide**

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# Chapter 1

## amigaguide

### 1.1 MultiHelp V1 - Contents

MultiHelp V1.1

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Introduction

Disclaimer

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Running MultiHelp

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### 1.2 MultiHelp V1 - Introduction

Picture This:- Youv`e just got a new PD/Shareware program that is really complicated to use (PGP is a good example). Everytime you get stuck you have to go back to the directory where the program is and double-click on the GUIDE or DOC file. And even then the Default Tool is normally wrong for you system!

This is where MultiHelp comes in. MultiHelp is a commodity that sits in the background. It allows you to assign Hotkeys to the GUIDES and DOCS assoicated with these annoying programs. The viewers are pre-defined in the programs configuration, so you never get "Unable To Load You Tool..." errors, there a thing of the past!

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### 1.3 MultiHelp V1 - Disclaimer

MultiHelp is (C)opyright 1995 Lee Packham. All Rights Reserved.

MultiHelp is freely distributable but the copyright remains with the author, so nobody goes to make a program called MultiHelp okay!?!?

MultiHelp is freely distributable as long as the following rules are kept to...

1. None of the files are modified in anyway at all (this included crunching).
2. MultiHelp may only be archived with LhA or LZX.
3. MultiHelp must not be distributed for profit.
4. If a magazine wishes to include MultiHelp on there magazine coverdisk they should at least contact me first.

### 1.4 MultiHelp V1 - Requirements

Guess what? MultiHelp is KS2.04+ only. KS1.3 is ancient and should have the last nail nailed into it`s coffin!

MultiHelp needs the following libraries in the LIBS: directory (these are not included)...

- 1) commodities.library
- 2) reqtools.library

### 1.5 MultiHelp V1 - Installation

Just drag MultiHelp into any directory you wish to and it`ll be happy!

### 1.6 MultiHelp V1 - Running

Double-Click on the icon! MultiHelp CAN`T be run from the CLI so don`t try it. You also can`t rename the program for security reasons.

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## 1.7 MultiHelp V1 - Using

Upon loading, MultiHelp will bring up a window. This window contains the main gadgets and menu options you will need to use the program. Here is a list of things you will want to do and how to do them...

Adding A New Entry

Editing An Entry

Deleting An Entry

Saving The List Of Entries

Calling A HelpFile

## 1.8 MultiHelp V1 - Adding A New Entry

To add a new entry click on the "New" button. This will bring up a window for you to enter the details of the file. You can then click on "Okay" to add it, "Cancel" to errrhhh and "Test" to errrhhh!

## 1.9 MultiHelp V1 - Editing An Entry

To edit an entry, click on it in the list. This will bring up the same window as if you were going to add a new entry but with the details filled in. Edit as you need to.

## 1.10 MultiHelp V1 - Deleteing An Entru

To delete an entry, click on it in the list to bring up the edit window, then from the menu on that window select "Delete Item". This will, erm, delete the item.

## 1.11 MultiHelp V1 - Saving The List Of Entries

To save the list of entries, click on "Save". This will create a file called "S:MultiHelp.CFG" which will automatically be loaded when you load the program.

## 1.12 MultiHelp V1 - Calling A HelpFile

To call a HelpFile just hit the hotkey you chose when you entered the entry.

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## 1.13 MultiHelp V1 - Configuring

MultiHelp`s configuration is in the form of tool types connected to the program`s icon. To edit these click once on the program`s icon and select "Information..." from the "Icon" menu. The following ToolTypes are available...

CX\_POPUP

CX\_POPKEY

GUIDE

TXT

## 1.14 MultiHelp V1 - CX\_POPUP

ToolType: CX\_POPUP Type: BOOL

This is either set to "YES" or "NO" depending on whether you wish MultiHelp to bring up it`s window upon loading of not.

## 1.15 MultiHelp V1 - CX\_POPKEY

ToolType: CX\_POPKEY Type: STRING

This is the hotkey for bringing up the MultiHelp window whenever you need it.

## 1.16 MultiHelp V1 - GUIDE

ToolType: GUIDE Type: STRING

This is the program that will be used for AmigaGuide files.

e.g. GUIDE=SYS:Utilities/AmigaGuide

or GUIDE=SYS:Utilities/MultiView

## 1.17 MultiHelp V1 - TXT

ToolType: TXT Type: STRING

This is the program that will be used for Plain ASCII files.

e.g. TXT=SYS:Utilities/More

or TXT=SYS:Utilities/Multiview

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## 1.18 MultiHelp V1 - Contacting The Author

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## 1.19 MultiHelp V1 - Credits

Lee Packham - Programming, Design, Original Concept  
(In Other Words, EVERYTHING!)  
Kevin Winspear - The cool programmer `ere up North!

## 1.20 MultiHelp V1 - History

V1 The first ever, took about a week to  
program  
V1.1 Added true font adaptivity, I hope, to  
the liking of myself!

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