

Re: Launch chm file on WS within HTML

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Hi Ray.

In VB or VBScript, we use an additional double quote to escape another. However, in Java Script, the rules are a little different in terms of what character to use to escape another. In this case, I you want to use the backslash escape character before backslash \" (path separator, as well as the double quote to make the whole thing one complete argument). For example:

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oShell.run ""c:\WSH Script\TechNet Script Center\scriptcenter.chm""
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The above would now become:

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oShell.run( "\"c:\\WSH Script\\TechNet Script Center\\scriptcenter.chm\"");
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The interpreter now sees this as:

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"c:\WSH Script\TechNet Script Center\scriptcenter.chm"
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The backslash character is commonly used in C and C++ as well as Java, for exactly the kind of situation(s).

Cheers.

Chris Val

"Ray Hinse" <rhinse@comcast.net> wrote in message news:5397c.50444\$1p.848733@attbi_s54...

| Thank you for that 'more than I expected' explanation.

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| Since I am running on a Windows 2000 system, the explanation sort of begs the
| question 'why do I need the double quotes within quotes?' The command line cd
| command certainly works without resorting to the 8.3 filenames but maybe that's
| the only place where it works. Nevertheless, your solution certainly works
| for VBS.

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| Now, if you could proffer a solution for JScript, that would work equally well
| I could consider my research complete. The "" solution will not work in JScript
| since anytime it encounters a "", it reads as an empty string. The normal solution

| to this in JScript is to use alternating single and double quotes (" ' " ' ").

| oShell.run " ' "c:\WSH Script\TechNet Script Center\scriptcenter.chm" ' "; seems to
| work but on page load I get an error: expected ; at the point oShell.run ^" ' ".

| Thank you again for your excellent input!
| And Cheers to you!

| "Chris (Val)" <chrisval@bigpond.com.au> wrote in message
| news:c3j37i\$285cqc\$1@ID-110726.news.uni-berlin.de...

| > "Ray Hinse" <rhinse@comcast.net> wrote in message
| > news:ZA37c.50907\$KO3.173145@attbi_s02...

| > | OOPS! I spoke too soon. I misread your recommendation

| > | and only surrounded the file path with two double quotes.

| > | Three double quotes ("") works well. Maybe you could explain

| > | a little more thoroughly wh