

Re: Getting path...

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[snip]

> Most of the scripts I write that deal with files have enough to do with
> them
> that an instance of the file system object is required anyway.
>
>> And it returns the filename not the path.
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> Oops, I misread the post, and should have used this instead:
>
> sPath = FSO.getParentFolderName(sPath)
>
> I also find that relying on its path parsing methods results in a little
> more consistency and readability in my code. You probably took less time
> to
> realise that .getFileName was the wrong method in this case than I took to
> come to the (incorrect) conclusion that it was. I made the mistake because
> the intent of the following expression is not as explicit:
>
> sPath = Left(sPath, InStrRev(sPath, "\"))
>
> It will also fail in the event that the elements of a pathname are
> delimited
> with "/" instead of "\", as is common in URLs.
>
> /Al
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"torgeir" already posted a "getParentFolderName" solution.

The post asked about the full name of a script not a URL;
thus, "\" is applicable and "/" is not.

I agree that the meaning

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sPath = Left(sPath,InStrRev(sPath,"\"))  
is not very explicit; however, looking at all three lines
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Dim sPath  
sPath = WScript.ScriptFullName  
sPath = Left(sPath,InStrRev(sPath,"\"))
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does suggest that the Path is extracted from the Name.

Anyway, the intention of lots of code isn't always clear which is why meaningful variable names and comments are often used.

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 - ◇ *From:* Al Dunbar [MS-MVP]

- *References:*

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 - ◇ *From:* Vince
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 - ◇ *From:* Torgeir Bakken \(\MVP\)
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