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# WebPreferencesHelp

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## Help on Preferences

- A *preference setting* lets you define a simple macro? that can be expanded in your output.
- A preference setting looks like this:  
3 or 6 spaces \* Set NAME = value  
Example:
  - ◆ Set WEBBGCOLOR = #FFFFC0
- A preferences setting can be disabled with a # sign. Remove the # sign to enable a local customisation. Example:
  - ◆ #Set DENYWEBCHANGE = UnknownUser
- Macros defined using preference settings are expanded by enclosing the name in percent signs.  
Example:
  - ◆ When you write %WEBBGOLOR%, it gets expanded to #FFD8AA
- The sequential order of the preference settings is significant. i.e. set WEBCOPYRIGHT before WIKIWEBMASTER since %WEBCOPYRIGHT% uses the %WIKIWEBMASTER% setting.
- You can introduce your own preference settings and use them in your topics and templates.
- Preferences can be defined in a number of places:
  1. DefaultPreferences
  2. SitePreferences
  3. Parent webs WebPreferences
  4. WebPreferences
  5. In user topics
  6. In Plugin documentation topics
  7. In topics
- Preference settings can be *finalised*, which means they can't be redefined

## Tools

- **Rename, move or delete this web:**
  - ◆ **Rename/move/delete web...**, looking for references in *all public webs* - See also: ManagingWebs

## Related Topics

- System.DefaultPreferences, Main.SitePreferences - site-level preferences
- WikiUsers - list of user topics. User topics can have optional user preferences
- Macros - what macros are and how to use them, including a list of common macros
- AccessControl - explains how to restrict access by users or groups

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