

1.12 Help Utility

Python has a builtin help utility which helps to know about the keywords, builtin functions, modules.

`help()`

You can pass keyword, builtin function or Module to help function to know about the same.

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In [1]: import os
```

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In [ ]: # Help utility on the builtin module 'sys'  
help(os)
```

snipped output:

Help on module os:

NAME

os - OS routines **for** NT or Posix depending on what system we're on.

MODULE REFERENCE

<https://docs.python.org/3.9/library/os>

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In [3]: # Help utility on getcwd function of sys module  
help(os.getcwd)
```

Help on built-in function getcwd in module posix:

`getcwd()`

Return a unicode string representing the current working directory.

 Help function returns the docstrings associated with the respective Modules, Keywords or functions.