steps to create new view helper

**We cannot access plugin and models from phtml. You need to view helper for that.**

**And the content of *Testhelper*is :**

namespace Album\View\Helper;

use Zend\View\Helper\AbstractHelper;

class Testhelper extends AbstractHelper

{

public function \_\_invoke($str, $find)

{

if (! is\_string($str)){

return 'must be string';

}

if (strpos($str, $find) === false){

return 'not found';

}

return 'found';

}

}

**The next step is register that in Module.php**

namespace Album;

use Zend\ModuleManager\Feature\AutoloaderProviderInterface,

    Zend\ModuleManager\Feature\ConfigProviderInterface,

    Zend\ModuleManager\Feature\ViewHelperProviderInterface;

class Module implements AutoloaderProviderInterface, ConfigProviderInterface, ViewHelperProviderInterface

{

    public function getAutoloaderConfig(){/\*common code\*/}

    public function getConfig(){ /\*common code \*/ }

    public function getViewHelperConfig()

    {

        return array(

            'factories' => array(

                'test\_helper' => function($sm) {

                    $helper = new View\Helper\Testhelper ;

                    return $helper;

                }

            )

        );

   }

}

**OR, you can SIMPLIFY that by configuring it as an invokable in module.config.php as @weierophinney ( project lead for Zend Framework ) suggestion –thanks a lot for his suggestion– like this :**

return array(

//.........

'view\_helpers' => array(

'invokables'=> array(

'test\_helper' => Album\View\Helper\Testhelper'

)

),

//.........

);

**Last step, call it in the view :**

echo $this->test\_helper("me","e");