

Description

`mata help` is Stata's `help` command. Thus you do not have to exit Mata to use `help`.

Syntax

```
: mata help ...
```

```
: help ...
```

`help` need not be preceded by `mata`.

Remarks and examples

See [\[M-1\] help](#).

You need not type the Mata prefix:

```
: mata help mata  
(output appears in Stata's Viewer)  
: help mata  
(same result)
```

`help` can be used to obtain help for Mata or Stata:

```
: help mata missing()  
: help missing()
```

Also see

[\[M-1\] help](#) — Obtaining help in Stata

[\[R\] help](#) — Display help in Stata

[\[M-3\] Intro](#) — Commands for controlling Mata

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