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# Empty TWiki Plugin

Empty Plugin used as a template for new plugins

## Introduction

This is an empty plugin. Use it as a template to build your own TWikiPlugins. This plugin does nothing, but is ready to be extended and used.

To create your own plugin:

- Copy file `lib/TWiki/Plugins/EmptyPlugin.pm` to `<name>Plugin.pm` and customize the plugin. Add your own code; remove all handlers you do not plan to use.
- Create a `<name>Plugin` documentation topic in the TWiki web. Do so by visiting <http://twiki.org/cgi-bin/view/Plugins/PluginPackageHowTo> and starting a new topic to get the default plugin topic text (don't save the topic on twiki.org yet). Customize your plugin topic to your needs.
- Please consider contributing your plugin back to the TWiki community by publishing it in the Plugins web on twiki.org.
- See details in TWikiPlugins.

## Syntax Rules

`%EXAMPLEVAR{ "... " }%`

Parameter	Explanation	Default
<code>"..."</code>	Default parameter.	(none)
<code>format="..."</code>	Format: ...	"\$name"

## Examples

- `%EXAMPLEVAR{ }%` expands to: `%EXAMPLEVAR{ }%`

## Plugin Installation Instructions

**Note:** You do not need to install anything on the browser to use this plugin. The following instructions are for the administrator who installs the plugin on the TWiki server.

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- For an **automated installation**, run the configure script and follow "Find More Extensions" in the in the *Extensions* section.
- Or, follow these **manual installation** steps:
  - ◆ Download the ZIP file from the Plugins home (see below).
  - ◆ Unzip `EmptyPlugin.zip` in your twiki installation directory. Content:

File:	Description:
<code>data/TWiki/EmptyPlugin.txt</code>	Plugin topic
<code>data/TWiki/VarEXAMPLEVAR.txt</code>	Variable documentation topic
<code>lib/TWiki/Plugins/EmptyPlugin.pm</code>	Plugin Perl module
<code>lib/TWiki/Plugins/EmptyPlugin/Config.spec</code>	Plugin Config spec

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- ◆ Set the ownership of the extracted directories and files to the webserver user.
- ◆ Install the dependencies (if any).
- Plugin *configuration and testing*:
  - ◆ Run the configure script and enable the plugin in the *Plugins* section
  - ◆ Configure additional plugin settings in the *Extensions* section if needed.
  - ◆ Test if the installation was successful: See example above.

## Plugin Info

- One line description, is shown in the TextFormattingRules topic:
  - ◆ Set SHORTDESCRIPTION = Empty Plugin used as a template for new plugins

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2010-05-08:	<a href="#">TWikibug:Item6433</a> : Doc improvements; replacing TWIKIWEB with SYSTEMWEB
2007-05-20:	Added renderWikiWordHandler
2006-02-01:	Dakar changes
2004-03-21:	Added afterSaveHandler
2001-07-14:	Changed to plug&play
2001-02-27:	Initial version
TWiki Dependency:	<code>\$TWiki::Plugins::VERSION 1.4</code>
Dependencies:	<code>;%\$DEPENDENCIES</code>
Plugin Benchmark:	<a href="#">GoodStyle</a> 99%, <a href="#">FormattedSearch</a> 99%, <a href="#">EmptyPlugin</a> 99%
Plugin Home:	<a href="http://TWiki.org/cgi-bin/view/Plugins/EmptyPlugin">http://TWiki.org/cgi-bin/view/Plugins/EmptyPlugin</a>
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