

*AHELP for CIAO 3.4*

_apropos

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Synopsis

Generate a list of functions and variables

Syntax

```
Array_Type _apropos (String_Type ns, String_Type s, Integer_Type flags)
```

Description

The `_apropos` function may be used to get a list of all defined objects in the namespace `ns` whose name matches the regular expression `s` and whose type matches those specified by `flags`. It returns an array of strings representing the matches.

The second parameter `flags` is a bit mapped value whose bits are defined according to the following table

1	Intrinsic Function
2	User-defined Function
4	Intrinsic Variable
8	User-defined Variable

Example

```
define apropos (s)
{
    variable n, name, a;
    a = _apropos ("Global", s, 0xF);

    vmessage ("Found %d matches:", length (a));
    foreach (a)
    {
        name = ();
        message (name);
    }
}
```

prints a list of all matches.

If the namespace specifier `ns` is the empty string "", then the namespace will default to the static namespace of the current compilation unit.

See Also

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[get defined symbols](#), [get reference](#), [is initialized](#), [function name](#), [get namespaces](#), [eval](#),
[getenv](#), [integer](#), [is defined](#), [message](#), [pack](#), [putenv](#), [set float format](#), [sprintf](#), [sscanf](#), [strcat](#), [string](#),
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