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## CIAO documentation features that users liked best

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- 9 - threads
- 12 - ahelp and the threads.
- 13 - The threads are fantastic
- 23 - The threads are really spectacular.
- 27 - again, what CIAO documentation?
- 28 - Threads and ahelp files are usually fine.
- 30 - the universality of ahelp
- 32 - The threads are incredibly useful.
- 38 - It has to be the threads and ahelp -- once they are correct of course, which many times does not seem to be the case
- 39 - Almost everything is there in the document.
- 40 - analysis threads
- 43 - ahelp files are good for details when you already know what to run (though the see also seems to list too much)  
  
multiple formats; sometimes I like to browse, sometimes I like to print and markup (so the pdf version is a nice feature)
- 47 - The threads are very useful for unfamiliar tasks.
- 49 - Ahelp pages on any ciao command.
- 51 - data products guide
- 58 - ahelp's ease of access, apropos capability, uniformity.
- 59 - Threads!
- 60 - It is easy to obtain the documentation.
- 63 - The threads are really nice.
- 64 - I like the ease of getting to tool description quickly in ahelp. I wish there were about 4 times as many examples included in the ahelp, and more thorough descriptions of each parameter (including multiple examples of possible values).

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- 67 - The Theads web page is very useful to get started in CIAO-based Chandra data analysis.
- 69 - The threads are very useful, and what I have looked at most often after the ahelp pages. I suspect I would have used the Analysis Guide a lot more had it existed when I first started working on chandra data.
- 70 - Threads.
- 75 - threads for common user tasks
- 80 - The manuals on the website, particularly the threads since they are very succinct
- 81 - threads are the most effective documentation component
- 82 - Threads
- 83 - threads
- 84 - examples
- 89 - Threads
- 90 - ahelp seems to be very complete.
- 99 - threads and ahelp, as mentioned above.
- 103 - ahelp is still the best way to get info.
- 105 - The presence of examples, the remainder to related problems and/or analysis aspects.
- 106 - The threads
- 108 - threads
- 113 - Threads
- 115 - none of them
- 119 - very well organized for on-line use  
I like the threads section
- 121 - ahelp
- 124 - Threads are OK, but they need more real-world examples. They often do a simple example (which is good, gets you started), but then don't do any more realistic examples. For example: lightcurve filtering (1 chip). Real world example: I have an ACIS observation with 6 chips: how do I lightcurve filter on each chip separately and recombine the results?
- Similarly for dealing with sky background: how do I construct sky background datasets for all the chips, merge everything back into a single event list, and have all the GTI's, etc., set up correctly? I think there need to be many more examples like the step-by-step multi-chip exposure map thread. Lots more examples of how to do it with more than one of whatever it is.
- 125 - Threads

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126 - The threads are quite good.

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