



 AHELP for CIAO 3.4

`__get_reference`

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Synopsis

Get a reference to a global object

Syntax

```
Ref_Type __get_reference (String_Type nm)
```

Description

This function returns a reference to a global variable or function whose name is specified by `nm`. If no such object exists, it returns `NULL`, otherwise it returns a reference.

Example

For example, consider the function:

```
define runhooks (hook)
{
  variable f;
  f = __get_reference (hook);
  if (f != NULL)
    @f ();
}
```

This function could be called from another S–Lang function to allow customization of that function, e.g., if the function represents a mode, the hook could be called to setup keybindings for the mode.

See Also

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[class id](#), [class type](#), [eqs](#), [get defined symbols](#), [is initialized](#), [pop args](#), [push args](#), [uninitialize](#), [apropos](#), [function name](#), [nargs](#), [typeof](#), [array info](#), [autoload](#), [dup](#), [eval](#), [evalfile](#), [getenv](#), [is defined](#), [is struct type](#), [length](#), [make printable string](#), [set slang load path](#), [typecast](#), [typeof](#)

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