



look FAQ

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What is *ilook*?

ilook is a new and exciting product from **looksoftware** that enables you to experience your IBM i Operating System in a whole new way. Using state of the art technology, *ilook* provides a rich graphical user experience that is web deployed and intuitive to learn and use. Navigate around your i with your mouse and save your commonly accessed functions & menus as favourites. View your server metrics quickly and easily with the system control panel. In fact, you can now you can access the IBM i operating system from anywhere in the world (provided you have a VPN and/or Internet connection to the host) with *ilook*'s modern graphical interface.

Why *ilook*?

For many years now the IBM i platform has suffered from an outdated interface (5250/green screen), and it hasn't kept up with all the advances in user interface (UI) and user experience (UX) that have evolved significantly in the modern world of Windows & Web. *ilook* changes all that. **looksoftware** has developed *ilook* in response to IBM I community suggestions that a web deployed, "free" modernization solution would enable customers to more easily appreciate the benefits of application modernization.

How do I get *ilook*?

Five seats of *ilook* (concurrent users) are complementary to any end user organization, based on approval of application. Software houses, resellers and Independent Software Vendors are given access to *ilook* through **looksoftware**'s Partner programs. Please visit <http://www.looksoftware.com/ilook.aspx> and complete the online application form. For information about acquiring additional seats, please contact info@looksoftware.com

What is the functional scope of *ilook*?

Modernization is a broad strategic opportunity for all IBM i environments. Evaluating and leveraging the right new technologies can determine the ongoing viability of your IBM i platform. *ilook* from **looksoftware** provides a simple taste of front-end modernization - *ilook* does not include back-end modernization which allows the rapid creation of services based interfaces to existing applications. It's important to appreciate that *ilook* is a generic, cloud based deployment designed to give typical i customers a simple introduction to refacing, that is free and does not require anything to be installed on your IBM i back-end.

Examples of **looksoftware** supported modernization functionality that is beyond the initial scope of *ilook* includes...

- Extending the reach of the IBM i back-end to mobile channels including the iPhone, Blackberry, Nexus One and iPad.
- Seamless integration with other desktop, server and web based applications

- Connecting IBM back end applications to any services compliant device, application or platform such as SAP, MS Dynamics, Oracles tools and applications etc.
- Generation of new functionality to extend your core IBM i applications

Please contact **looksoftware** if you would like to learn more about examples of modernization outside the scope of **ilook**.

Can I access my own applications with **ilook**?

ilook has been designed to specifically cater for IBM i OS screens. Although you can venture outside of the i OS environment you will not have access to our rich user interface. If you would like to enable the rich user interface for your own applications, whether they are developed internally or off-the-shelf packages, you will need to acquire a **looksoftware** development tool. For more information on this, please visit www.looksoftware.com

What are the **ilook** system requirements?

- Minimum PC requirements
- Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7
- Screen resolution of 1024x768
- Internet Explorer version 6.0 and newer.

NOTE: 1) Local administrator authority will be required to install **ilook**. 2) The initial version of **ilook** is intended for Windows based users. **ilook** uses an ActiveX control to deliver the refaced IBM i application. At this time, ActiveX is only supported using the Internet Explorer browser.

Most memory, CPU and Ethernet configurations will be compatible with **ilook**. However, it is recommended that the more resources you can provide **ilook**, the better your **ilook** experience.

Recommended requirements are:

- Pentium 4 CPU and newer
- 1024MB memory or higher
- 1Gb Ethernet connection

Minimum IBM i requirements

- **ilook** has been optimized for IBM i5/OS V5R3, V5R4 and IBM I 6.1. Earlier operating systems can also be used although not all **ilook** functionality may be available.

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