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Posted by [fithisux](#) on Wed, 19 Dec 2007 14:42:20 GMT

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Wed, 19 Dec 2007 17:22:46 GMT

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I am afraid I do not quite understand the problem.

You are compiling using exactly what?

Mirek

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Posted by [fithisux](#) on Thu, 20 Dec 2007 08:51:32 GMT

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Hi, I have tried to compile the glow library on my win-xp-32bit pc using mingw taken from <http://nuwen.net/mingw.html>

The problem is that I want to create a glow.dll along with libglow.a import library. I have read that it can be done with mingw if I specify

--out-implib=libglow.a

I do it in the linker options but nothing is produced. AFAIK it must be specified at the very end of the linker options (after libraries). How can I do it with mingw/ultimate++? How do you do it?

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SOLVED!!!

Specify -Wl,--out-implib,libglow.a

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