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Subject: Disable/Enable Menu item during runtime  
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I know we have a function called Enable. However, I have trouble how to access into it after reading tutorial (i am new to Ultimate ++).

Here is what I have (partial - i use separate CPP/H files):

```
this->AddFrame(menu);
menu.Set(THISBACK(MainMenu));

void MainMenu(Bar& bar) {
    bar.Add("File", THISBACK(SubFileMenu))
        .Help("File Menu");
    bar.Add("Section", THISBACK(SubSectionMenu))
        .Help("Section Menu").Enable(false);
}

void SubFileMenu(Bar& bar) {
    bar.Add("Open", THISBACK(File_Open))
        .Help("Open Menu");
    bar.Add("Close", THISBACK(File_Close))
        .Help("Close Menu");
    bar.Add("Exit", THISBACK(File_Exit))
        .Help("Exit Menu");
}

void File_Open() {
    // I want to make "Section" enabled. How can I do it here?
    // example: when user opens file, i want section to be enabled.
}
```

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You need to use method Add, which has a signature below. And you need to recreate menu each time. This is a pretty optimized procedure.

```
Item& Add(bool enable, const char *text, Callback callback);
```

Your code should look like below.

```
void MainMenu(Bar& bar) {  
    bar.Add("File", THISBACK(SubFileMenu)).Help("File Menu");  
    bar.Add(SectionIsEnabled(), "Section", THISBACK(SubSectionMenu)).Help("Section Menu");  
}
```

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