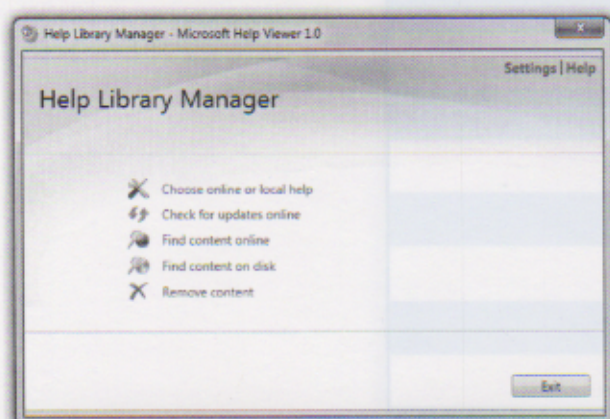


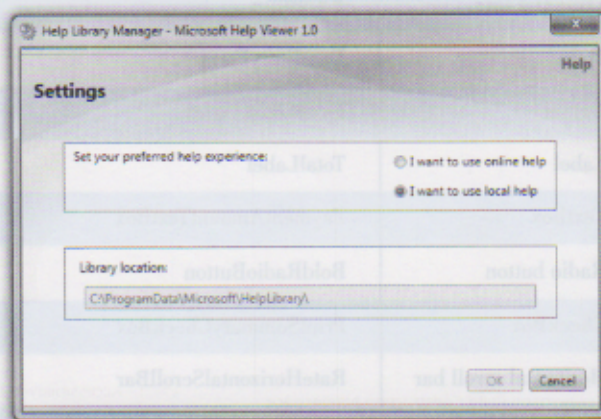
At the time you install Visual Studio, you make the choice for online or local content. But it is easy to change your selection later using the Help Library Manager. Select *Help / Manage Help Settings* to display the Help Library Manager (Figure 1.54a). Click the first link for *Choose online or local help* to make the selection (Figure 1.54b). If you choose *local*, you can specify where you want to store the Help files; you also can check online for updates to your local content.

Figure 1.54

a. Select *Help / Manage Help Settings* to open the Help Library Manager; b. Make your selection for online or local help. For local help, you can specify the location to store the files.



(a)



(b)

Viewing Help Topics

The quickest and easiest way to view a Help topic that relates to Visual Basic is to use F1, or **context-sensitive Help**. Select a VB object, such as a button or label, or place an insertion point in a word in the editor, and press F1. A browser window will open with the corresponding Help topic displayed, if possible.

The Help Viewer window (Figure 1.55) displays a table of contents (TOC) that shows the current topic indented below its parent, and a further indented list of its subtopics, so you can see the hierarchy of topics. You can click any of the links in the TOC to see other topics. Figure 1.56 shows the next level of topics under the Label Class page.

Use the Search box above the TOC to search for a specific topic. You can search for multiword terms and use AND, OR, and NOT in your search terms.

If you want to see Help topics about the Visual Studio IDE, select an element, such as the Properties window, and press Shift-F1.