Basic Commands and Utilities

Many basic commands and utilities are the same in Linux and other UNIX-like operating systems. While there may be some variation in some of the options and syntax, the purpose remains the same. Here are lists of these commands grouped by general area of coverage:

File Compression
bunzip2, bzcat, bdiff, bzip2, bzless
gunzip, gzexe, gzip, zcat, zless
zip, upzip
xz, unxz, xzcat

File Ownership, Permissions and Attributes
attr, chgrp, chown, chmod

Files
awk, basename, cat, col, cp, cpio, csplit, cut, dd, diff, dirname, egrep, expand, file, fgrep, fmt, grep, head, join, less, more, sed, tail, tar

Filesystem
cd, chroot, df, dirs, du, fdisk, fsck, fuser, ln, ls, mkdir, mv, pushd, popd, rm, rmdir

Networking
arp, domainname, finger, ftp, host, hostname, ip, route, ifconfig, netstat

Job Control
at, atrm, batch, crontab, exec, exit, ipcs, ipcrm, kill, killall

Expression Evaluation
bc, dc, eval, expr, factor, false, true

There are many other commands and utilities that could be added to this list.