

Helpful Commands

<code>ls</code>	List the files and directories of the current directory.
<code>ls -al</code>	List all of the files (including hidden ones) in formatted mode of the current directory.
<code>pwd</code>	Print (display) the current working directory.
<code>cd</code>	Change to the home directory.
<code>cd ~</code>	Change to the home directory.
<code>cd lemon</code>	Change to a subdirectory called "lemon".
<code>cd /Users/Thomas/Documents</code>	Change to a directory called "/Users/Thomas/Documents" (using the full path name of the directory).
<code>cd ..</code>	Move to the directory above (in the file system tree).
<code>mkdir lemon</code>	Make a new directory called "lemon" in the current working directory.
<code>rm poem.txt</code>	Remove (delete) a file called "poem.txt" from the current directory.
<code>rm -r tmp</code>	Remove (delete) a directory (folder) called "tmp" from the current directory.
<code>cp poem.txt new_poem.txt</code>	Copies the file "poem.txt" to a new file called "new_poem.txt".
<code>mv poem.txt old_poem.txt</code>	Moves (renames) the file "poem.txt" to the file "old_poem.txt".
<code>cat poem.txt</code>	Display the contents of the file "poem.txt" to the terminal screen.
<code>CTRL+C</code>	Pressing the CTRL key and the C key at the same time interrupts (stops) the current command in the terminal window.
<code>exit</code>	Exits (logs out) of the current terminal session.