

# Change the Terminal font size on Raspberry Pi

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If you connect a Raspberry Pi to an HDMI monitor, you may find the terminal font size to be a bit small; especially if the monitor sits a foot or more away. This post demonstrates how to choose a different font size.

## Steps

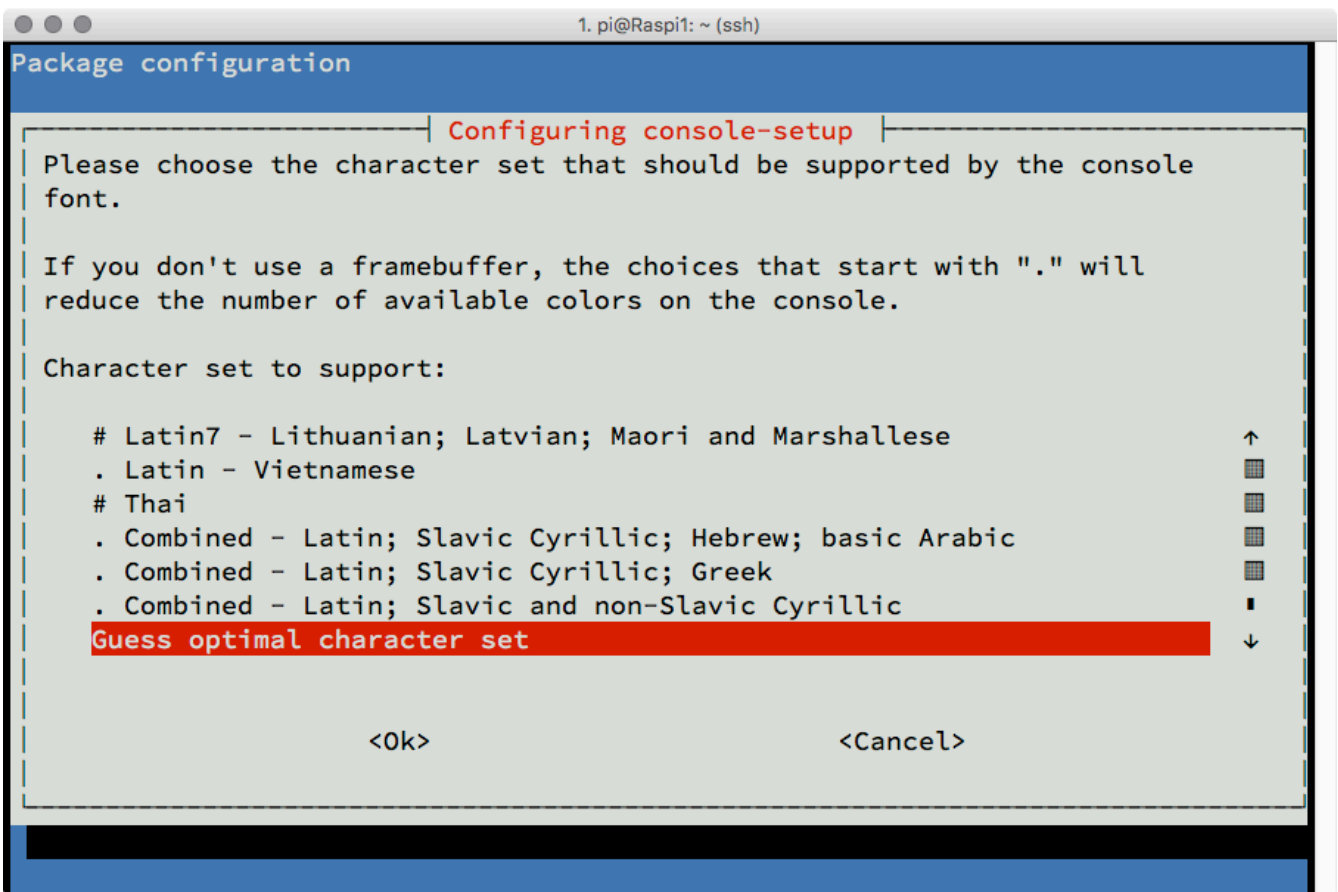
- Boot the Raspberry Pi to the terminal (or console)

*If your Raspberry Pi boots to the desktop environment, exit the GUI to see the command prompt. You can use the `sudo raspi-config` utility to modify the boot options for the Raspberry Pi if you always want to boot to the command prompt.*

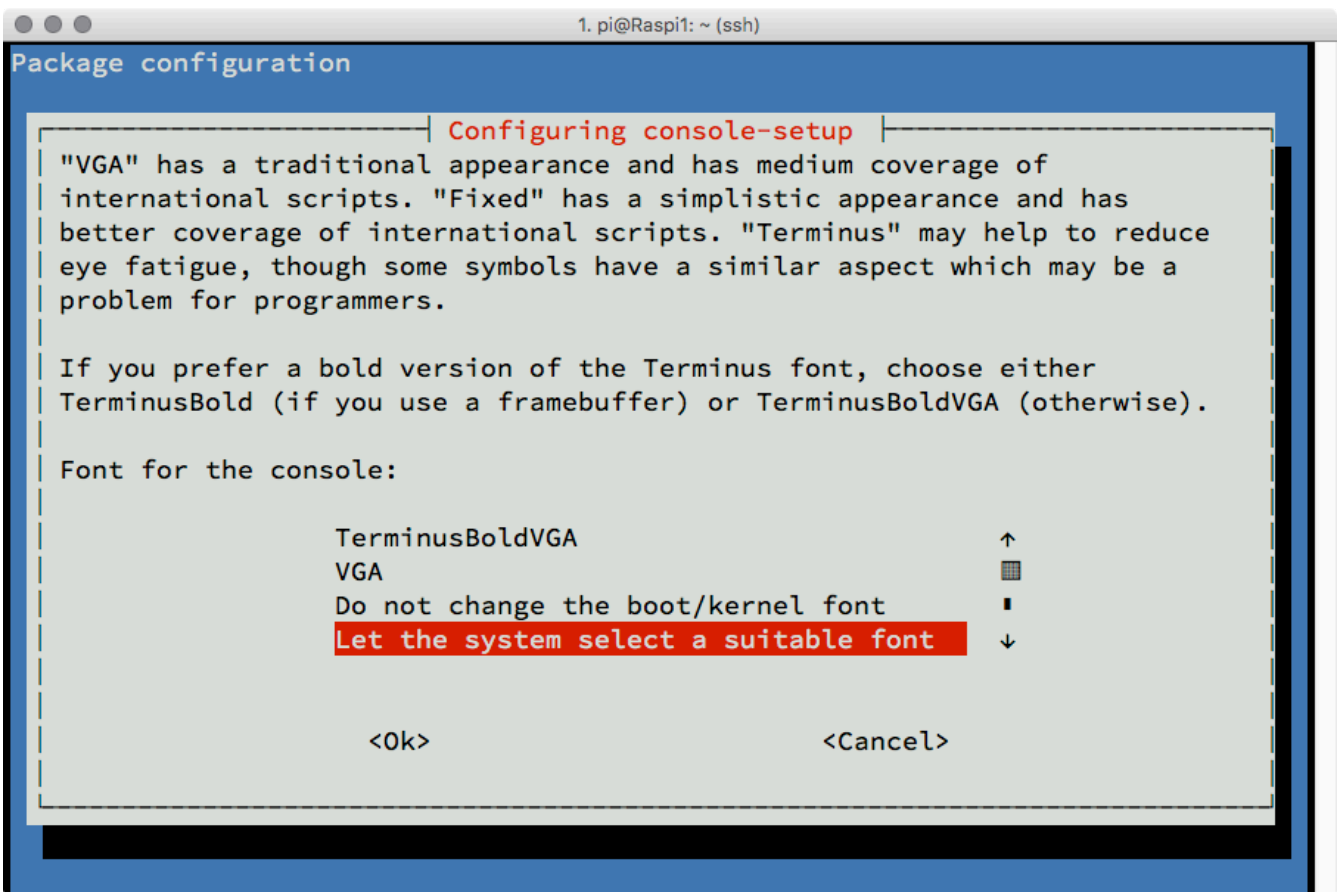
- Type `sudo dpkg-reconfigure console-setup` at the prompt
- If prompted, type the Raspberry Pi password - the *Package configuration* application will appear as shown in the image below



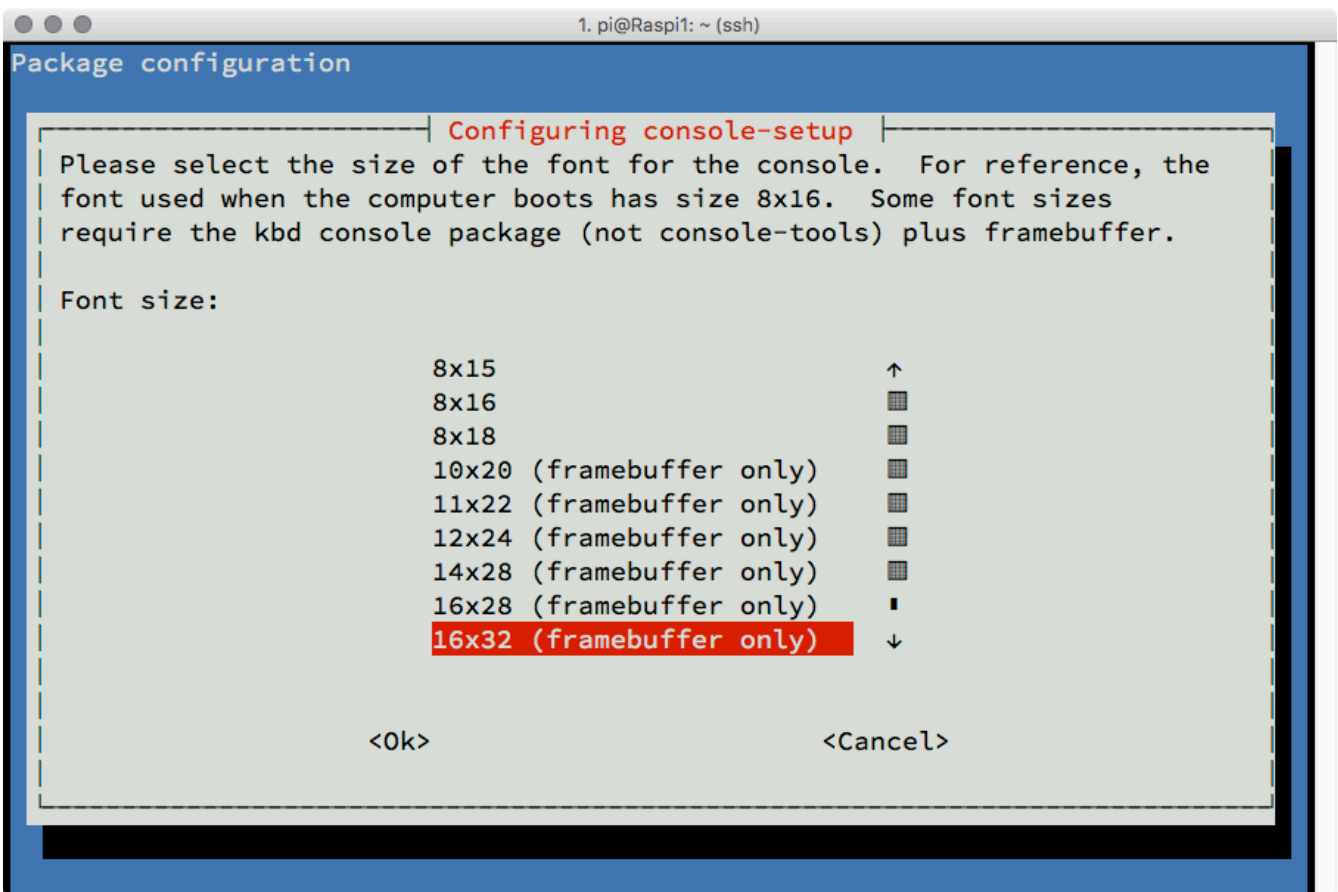
- If not the default, select the `UTF-8` option and hit ↵ - the screen below will display



- If not the default, select the `Guess optimal character set` option and hit ↵ - the screen below will display



- If not the default, select the Let the system select a suitable font option and hit ↵ - the screen below will display



- Select the size font you prefer and hit ↵ - the red highlighted font (16x32) shown in the image above is my preference
- Finally, reboot the Raspberry Pi using the `sudo reboot` command

When the Raspberry Pi reboots, it will now use the selected font to display the console and command prompt. In my case, I have a monitor about four feet from my desk. The font size I use allows me to enter commands from my wireless [Logitech K400 Plus](#) comfortably.