## Change the Terminal font size on Raspberry Pi

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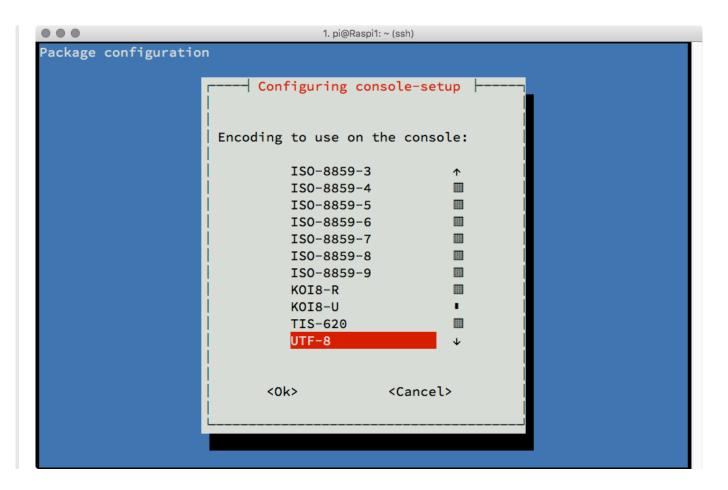
If you connect a Raspberry Pi to an HDMI monitor, you may find the terminal font size to be a bit small; especially if the monitor sits a foot or more away. This post demonstrates how to choose a different font size.

## **Steps**

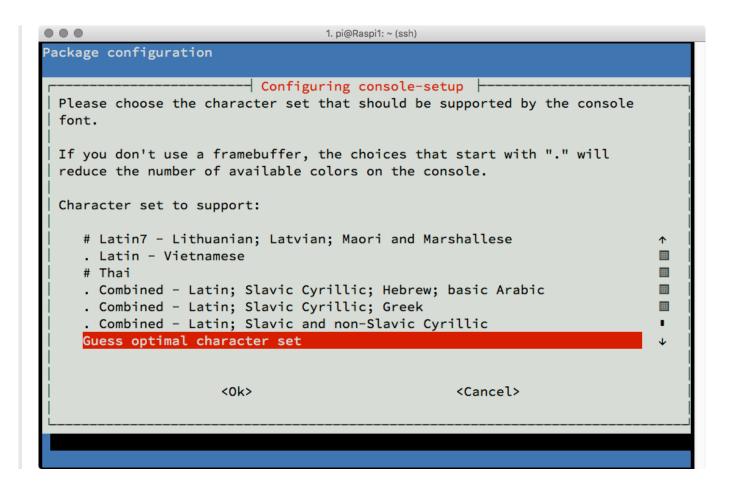
• Boot the Raspberry Pi to the terminal (or console)

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.

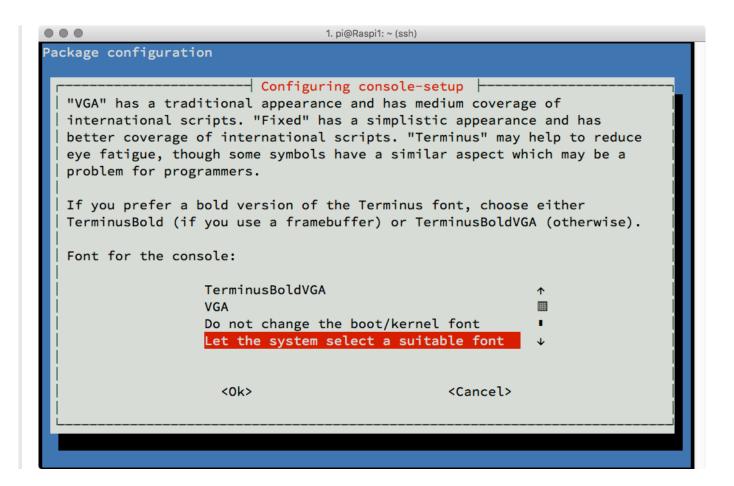
- Type sudo dpkg-reconfigure console-setup at the prompt
- If prompted, type the Raspberry Pi password the *Package* configuration application will appear as shown in the image below



• 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

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1. pi@Raspi1: ~ (ssh)
ackage configuration
                         Configuring console-setup
  Please select the size of the font for the console. For reference, the
  font used when the computer boots has size 8x16. Some font sizes
  require the kbd console package (not console-tools) plus framebuffer.
  Font size:
                          8x15
                                                       1
                          8x16
                          8x18
                          10x20 (framebuffer only)
                          11x22 (framebuffer only)
                          12x24 (framebuffer only)
                          14x28 (framebuffer only)
                          16x28 (framebuffer only)
                          16x32 (framebuffer only)
                      <0k>
                                                   <Cancel>
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- 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 <u>Logitech K400 Plus</u> comfortably.