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mkdir-

- definition:
 - Creates a directory
- usage:
 - mkdir + options
- examples:
 - making a directory in your current directory:
 - mkdir hello
 - creating a parent directory:
 - mkdir -p parent/child/hw
 - creating a directory in a different directory:
 - mkdir /home/directory

touch-

- definition:
 - creates a empty file
- usage:
 - touch + options+filename
- examples:
 - Creating a python file in your current directory:
 - touch filename.py
 - Creating multiple files of different types at the same time:
 - touch file1.txt file2.py file3.jpeg
 - Creating a file with a different modification time:
 - touch -d "11 Mar 2001" file.txt

rm-

- definition:
 - deletes a file
- usage:
 - rm + options+filename

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- examples:
 - Deleting a file:
 - rm file
 - Forceing a deletion:
 - rm -f file
 - Promt the user to confirm before every deletion:
 - rm -i file

rmdir-

- definition:
 - removes a empty directory
- usage:
 - rmdir + options+directory
- examples:
 - deleting a directory:
 - rmdir directory
 - removing multiple directories:
 - rmdir dir1 dir2 dir3
 - deleting a empty parent directory:
 - rmdir-p dir1/dir1.1/dir1.1.1

mv-

- definition:
 - moves or renames file(s)
- usage:
 - mv + options+filename+destination
- examples:
 - moving a file to a different directory:
 - mv file.txt /home
 - preventing a old file from being changed :
 - mv -n oldname nowname
 - moving multiple files:
 - mv file1.txt file3.png file2.py /home

cp-

• definition:

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- copy files and directories
- usage:
 - cp + options+source+destination
- examples:
 - copying files:
 - cp test.txt 2.sh
 - copying to a certain directory:
 - cp test.txt destination directory
 - copying a directory:
 - cp -R copy directory

file-

- definition:
 - determines the type of a file
- usage:
 - file + options + filename
- examples:
 - show the file type:
 - file test.pdf
 - show just the file type:
 - file -b test.txt
 - show file type in a slash separated list:
 - file --extension test.png