# head

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**head** reads the first few lines of each named file (10 by default) and displays it on standard output. You can give a different number of lines in an option.

For example, if you want to print the first 5 lines from **grub.cfg**, use the following command:

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$ head –n 5 grub.cfg
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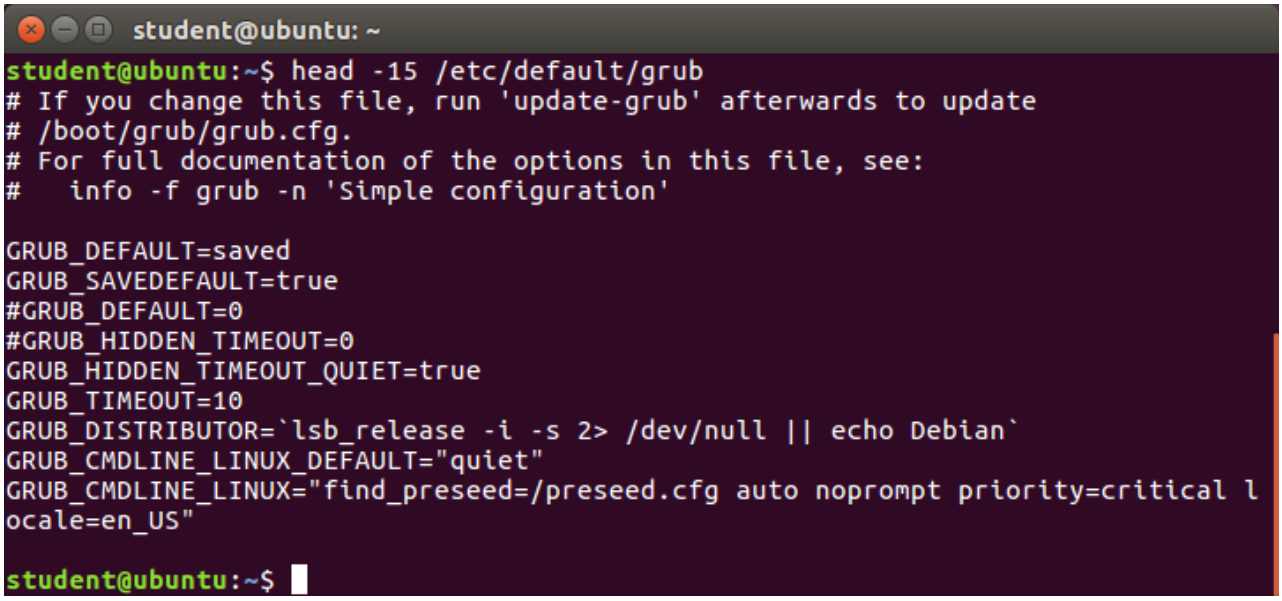
You can also just say **head -5 grub.cfg**.