Linux Metacharacter Reference

Symbol	Meaning
>	Output redirection
>>	Output redirection (append)
<	Input redirection
*	File substitution wildcard; zero or more characters
?	File substitution wildcard; one character
[ ]	File substitution wildcard; any character between brackets
`cmd`	Command Substitution
$(cmd)	Command Substitution
|	The Pipe (|)
;	Command sequence, Sequences of Commands
[ ]	File substitution wildcard; any character between brackets
`cmd`	Command Substitution
$(cmd)	Command Substitution
|	The Pipe (|)

;	Command sequence, Sequences of Commands	
||	OR conditional execution	
&&	AND conditional execution	
( )	Group commands, Sequences of Commands	
&	Run command in the background, Background Processes	
#	Comment	
$	Expand the value of a variable	
\	Prevent or escape interpretation of the next character	
<<	Input redirection	