TRAINING DAY 12 REPORT:

Working with Linux Files & Directories

How to **create**, **read**, **write**, and **manage** files and folders. These are powerful tools I can use from the **terminal**.

1. Creating Files

Task Command Example

Create empty file touch file.txt

Create and edit nano file.txt *(opens editor)*

Create with content echo "Hello" > file.txt

2. Reading Files

Task Command Example

View contents (short) cat file.txt

View with scroll less file.txt or more file.txt

Read only first lines head -n 5 file.txt

Read only last lines tail -n 10 file.txt

3. Writing to Files

Task Command Example

Overwrite file echo "new text" > file.txt

Append (add at end) echo "add this" >> file.txt

Edit manually in terminal nano file.txt

Tip: After editing in nano, press Ctrl + O to save, Ctrl + X to exit.

4. Creating Directories (Folders)

Task Command Example

Create folder mkdir myfolder

Create nested dirs mkdir -p a/b/c

5. Deleting Files and Folders

Task Command

Delete file rm file.txt

Delete folder (empty) rmdir foldername

Delete folder (with content) rm -r foldername

6. Moving & Renaming

Task Command

Move file mv file.txt /path/folder/

Rename file mv old.txt new.txt

7. Copying

Task Command

Copy file cp file.txt backup.txt

Copy folder cp -r folder newfolder

Adding a User to the Sudoers List

How to **give admin (root) rights** to a user by adding them to the **sudoers list**.

What is the sudoers list?

- It's a list of users allowed to run commands as root using sudo.

The config file is:

/etc/sudoers

Step-by-Step: Add a User to Sudoers

Step 1: Log in as root or a sudo user

su or sudo -i

Step 2: Add user to the sudo group

usermod -aG sudo username

Replace username with the actual username.

Step 3: (Optional) Verify

groups username

This will show if the user is in the Sudo group.

Step 4: Test it

Login as the user and run:

sudo whoami

It should return:

root

Working with Groups in Linux

How Linux uses **groups** to manage file access and organize users efficiently.

What is a Group in Linux?

A **group** is a collection of users.

It helps manage **permissions** for multiple users at once.

Every file belongs to:

- A user (owner)
- A group

1. Types of Groups

Group Type Description

Primary Main group assigned to a user

Secondary Extra groups a user belongs to

Check a user's groups:

groups username

2. Common Group Commands

Task	Command
Create a group	sudo groupadd groupname
Delete a group	sudo groupdel groupname
Add user to group	sudo usermod -aG groupname username
Remove user from group	Remove manually from /etc/group (or use gpasswd -d)
See all groups	cat /etc/group
Change file's group	sudo chgrp groupname filename

3. Use Group Permissions on Files

Example: ls -l file.txt

Output: -rw-rw-r-- 1 user **group** file.txt

Here, the group **can read & write** the file.

To set group permission:

chmod g+w file.txt

Why Groups Are Useful

- 1. Share files among multiple users
- 2. Give project teams common access
- 3. Avoid changing ownership again and again

APT Package Manager in Linux

How Linux installs, removes, and manages software using **APT (Advanced Package Tool)** — a command-line **package manager** for Debian-based systems like **Kali Linux**.

What is APT?

- APT stands for Advanced Package Tool
- Used to install, update, upgrade, and remove software
- Works with .deb packages (Debian format)
- Downloads from **online repositories** listed in:

/etc/apt/sources.list

Basic APT Commands:

Task Command

Search for a package apt search packagename

Task Command

Install a package sudo apt install packagename

Remove a package sudo apt remove packagename

Remove including config sudo apt purge packagename

Update package lists sudo apt update

Upgrade installed packages sudo apt upgrade

Full system upgrade sudo apt full-upgrade

Clean cache sudo apt autoclean

Remove unused dependencies sudo apt autoremove

Show info about a package apt show packagename

How APT Works:

• APT connects to software **repositories** online

• Downloads the required .deb files

• Automatically installs **dependencies** too

• Uses config files stored in /etc/apt/ directory

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