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Q. I'd like to bash under FreeBSD for bash programming. How do I install bash shell under FreeBSD UNIX operating system?

A. Bash is an sh-compatible command language interpreter that executes commands read from the standard input or from a file. csh / tcsh (C shell with file name completion and command line editing) is the default shell under FreeBSD. However, you can easily install and use bash as shell.

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Login as root and type the following command:

```
# portsnap update extract
# cd /usr/ports/shells/bash
# make install clean
```

To use bash shell, enter:

```
# bash
```

OR

```
# /usr/local/bin/bash
```

To set bash as default, shell enter:

```
# chsh -s /usr/local/bin/bash {username}
# chsh -s /usr/local/bin/bash vivek
```

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