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## Ubuntu Linux: How to reconfigure X windows system (X.org server)

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**Q.** I had messed up my Ubuntu Linux X windows configuration by editing files. Now all I want is my default settings back to previous state. How do I reconfigure X.org windows system?

**A.** You need to use **dpkg-reconfigure** command which reconfigures packages after they have already been installed. Pass it the names of a package or packages to reconfigure. It will ask configuration questions, much like when the package was first installed.



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### Ubuntu reconfigure xorg

Type any one of the following command to reconfigure X.org windows system:  
As the root user:

```
# dpkg-reconfigure xserver-xorg
```

OR as a normal user:

```
$ sudo dpkg-reconfigure xserver-xorg
```

Just follow on screen questions and you should be able to restore or reconfigure to previous state.

### See also:

- [Black Screen While Starting X window](#) <sup>[2]</sup> system error and solution

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