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## How To Start and Stop MySQL Database Server From A Shell Prompt

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**Q.** How do I start and stop mysql server under Debian / Ubuntu Linux system?

**A.** Simply use service or /etc/init.d/mysql script to start / stop / restart mysql database server.



### Task: Start mysql server



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```
# service mysql start
# /etc/init.d/mysql start
```

OR

```
$ sudo service mysql start
$ sudo /etc/init.d/mysql start
```

### Task: Stop mysql server

```
# service mysql stop
# /etc/init.d/mysql stop
```

OR

```
$ sudo service mysql stop
$ sudo /etc/init.d/mysql stop
```

To restart simply, use:

```
$ sudo service mysql restart
$ sudo /etc/init.d/mysql restart
```

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