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This is a user contributed FAQ.

Q. Can you tell me few useful vim text editor keyboard short cuts for moving around while editing text files?

A.

Moving around with vim.

Open any file, for example

\$ vim /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf

1. Go to the first line

```
gg or 1 shift g or :0 (zero) Enter
```

2. Go to the last line.

```
Shift g or :$ Enter
```

3. Go to line 8

```
8 shift g
```

4. To scroll down one screen

```
Ctrl f
```

5. To scroll up one screen

```
Ctrl b
```

6. First position on line

```
0 (zero)
```

7. Last position on line

```
$
```

8. Go to matching parenthesis

```
%
```



^[11]

9. Right, left, up, down respectively.

```
l, h, k, j
```

Or You can also use arrow keys

10. Where Am I?

```
Ctrl g
```

Note: previous command works in command mode

11. You can see a nice summary of more [vim commands here](#) ^[12].

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