

# Command Line Cheat Sheet

## notes:

- Don't type the > at the beginning of each line.
- Words that appear in a fainter color and italics, like *folder* and *file* should be replaced with the names on your computer.
- You are always inside of a folder.
- If you get the error: No such file or directory, you are probably not in the folder you thought you were.
- If you get the error: Command not found, you probably typoed the command.

## navigation

command	description
> pwd	Tells you what folder you're currently in.
> ls	Lists the content of the current folder you're in.
> ls <i>folder</i>	Lists the content of the named <i>folder</i>
> cd <i>folder</i>	Moves you into <i>folder</i> , if it is inside of your current folder
> cd ..	Moves you up one level to the folder that contains the folder you're currently in.
> cd ~	Moves you to your home directory.
> cd /	Moves you to your "top level" directory

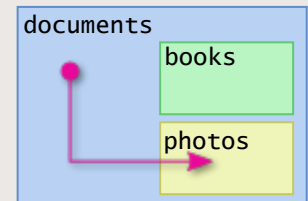
## visual examples

The command...

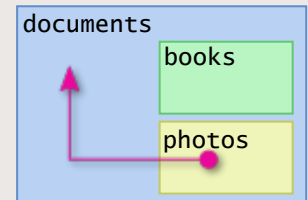
Starting from here... ..you go here.

...moves you like

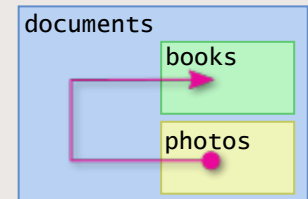
> cd photos



> cd ..



> cd ../books



## tips:

- If you seem stuck without the command prompt, hit **CTRL+C** to get back.
- The up ↑ and down ↓ arrow keys let you look at the history of commands you've run to save you typing.
- When typing file and folder names, just type the first few letters, then hit **Tab**.
- Use **CTRL+→** and **CTRL+←** to move your cursor more quickly.