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MKDIR

• mkdir is used for creating a single directory or multiple directories.

USAGE

• mkdir + the name of the directory

EXAMPLES

- Create a directory in the present working directory
 - mkdir wallpapers
- Create a directory on a different directory using relative path
 - mkdir wallpapers/ocean
- Crate a directory on different directory using absolute path
 - mkdir ~/wallpapers/forest

TOUCH

• touch is used for creating files

USAGE

touch newfile.txt

EXAMPLES

- To create a file list
 - touch list
- To create several files
 - touch list_of_cars.txt script.py name.csv
- To crate a file using absolute path
 - touch ~/Downloads/game.txt

RM

• It is removes files. rm by default does nor remove directories. To remove a directory use rm with the -r option.

USAGE

• rm filename.txt

EXAMPLES

- Remove a file
 - rm list

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- Remove a file and prompt confirmation before removal
 - rm -i list
- Remove all the files inside a directory and ask before removing more than 3 files
 - rm -I Downloads/games/*

RMDIR

• To remove empty directory use the rmdir command.

USAGE

rmdir empty_directory

EXAMPLES

- Remove an empty directory
 - rmdir Downloads/games
- You can also remove multiple empty directory at once by specifying their names
 - rmdir dir1 dir2 dir3
- You can provide a relative or absolute path to the directory you want to remove.
 - rmdir /path/to/empty_directory

MV

• my moves and renames directories.

USAGE

• mv + source + destination

EXAMPLES

- To move a file from a directory to another using relative path
- `mv Downloads/homework.pdf Documents/
- To move a directory from one directory to another using absolute path
 - sudo mv ~/Downloads/theme/usr/share/themes
- To move multiple directories/files to a different directory
 - mv games/wallpapers/rockmusic/media/student/flashdrive/

CP

• cp copies files/directories from a source to a destination.

USAGE

• cp + file ro copy + destination

EXAMPLES

- To copy a file
 - cp Downloads/wallpapers.zip pictures/

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- To copy a directory with absolute path
 - cp -r ~/Downloads/wallpapers ~/pictures/
- To copy the content of a directory to another directory
 - cp Downloads/wallpapers/* ~/pictures/

FILE

• Determines the file type of a file.

USAGE

• file filename

EXAMPLES

- Display file type without file name
 - file -b filename
- if you want to check the type of an executable file, ypu can do so like this
 - file/usr/bin/bash
- Check the type of directory
 - file/home/user/