

CAT COMMAND

1) To view a single file

Command:

\$ cat sample

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample1
martin
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

2) To view multiple files

Command:

\$ cat sample1 sample2

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample1 sample2
martin
abraham5
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

3) To view contents of a file preceding with line numbers.

Command:

1\$ cat -n sample3

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat -n sample3
 1 jonon
 2 sebastin
 3 mathew
 4 krishna
 5 alan
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

4) Create a file

Command:

\$ cat > sample4

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat > sample4
cat
tiger
lions
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample4
cat
tiger
lions
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

5) Copy the contents of one file to another file. Command:

\$ cat sample3 > newfile1

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample3 > newfile1
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat newfile1
jonon
sebastin
mathew
krishna
alan
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

6) Cat command can suppress repeated empty lines in output Command:

\$ cat -s sample3

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample3
jonon
sebastin
mathew
krishna
alan

sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat -s sample3
jonon
sebastin
mathew
krishna
alan
```

7) Cat command can append the contents of one file to the end of another file.

\$ cat sample4 >> sample3

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample4 >> sample3
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat sample3
jonon
sebastin
mathew
krishna
alan

cat
tiger
lions
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

8) Cat command can display content in reverse order using tac command.

\$ tac file1

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ cat > file1
arun
abraham
mathew
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ tac file1
mathew
abraham
arun
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$
```

9) using echo command

\$ echo "i am martin" | cat - sample1

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ echo "i am martin" | cat - sample1
i am martin
martin
```

10) Display content of file begining at line 2

\$ more +2 sample4

```
sjcet@Z238-UL:~/file1$ more +2 sample4
tiger
lion
```