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Linux Administration

Linux administration involves managing and maintaining Linux-based systems. This learning plan is designed to guide you through the essential concepts and skills needed for effective Linux system administration. By completing these tasks, you'll gain a solid foundation in Linux and be able to perform common administrative tasks.

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- edX Linux Foundation: Linux Courses
- Linux Documentation: Linux Documentation Project

1. Introduction to Linux

- History and Evolution: Understand the history and evolution of Linux.
- Linux Distributions: Learn about different Linux distributions and choose one to work with.
- Linux Kernel and Shell: Understand the role of the Linux kernel and the shell in the operating system.

2. Linux File System and Permissions

- File System Hierarchy: Learn about the Linux file system hierarchy.
- File and Directory Permissions: Understand how permissions work and how to modify them using commands like chmod.

3. Linux Shell Basics

 Command-Line Interface (CLI): Get familiar with the Linux command-line interface.



• Basic Commands: Learn essential commands for navigating the file system, managing files, and viewing content.

4. User and Group Management

- User Accounts: Learn how to create, modify, and delete user accounts.
- **Group Management**: Understand group concepts and manage user groups.

5. Package Management

Package Managers: Learn to use package managers like apt (De-bian/Ubuntu) or yum (Red Hat/CentOS) to install, update, and remove software.

6. Process Management

- **Viewing Processes**: Learn how to view running processes using commands like ps and top.
- **Process Control**: Understand how to start, stop, and manage processes.

7. Filesystem Management

- Disk Partitioning: Learn about disk partitioning and file system types.
- **Filesystem Maintenance**: Understand tasks like mounting/unmounting filesystems and checking disk space.

8. Networking Basics

- Networking Configuration: Learn how to configure network interfaces and set up IP addresses.
- Firewall Configuration: Understand how to use firewall tools like iptables or ufw.

9. System Logging and Monitoring

- Syslog and Journalctl: Learn about system logging and use tools like journalctl.
- Monitoring Tools: Explore monitoring tools such as sar and htop.

10. Security and Firewall Configuration

- **Security Principles**: Understand basic security principles for Linux systems.
- Firewall Configuration: Configure a firewall to enhance system security.

11. Automation with Shell Scripting

- Bash Scripting Basics: Learn the basics of Bash scripting.
- Automating Tasks: Create simple scripts to automate common tasks.



12. Virtualization and Containers

- Virtualization Concepts: Understand virtualization using tools like Virtual-Box or KVM.
- Introduction to Docker: Learn about containerization and Docker basics.

13. Backup and Restore

- Backup Strategies: Understand different backup strategies for Linux systems
- Restoring from Backups: Learn how to restore data from backups.

14. Linux Troubleshooting

- Troubleshooting Tools: Explore troubleshooting tools like strace and lsof
- Common Issues: Learn to identify and troubleshoot common Linux issues.

15. Best Practices

- Security Best Practices: Adopt security best practices for Linux systems.
- Performance Optimization: Learn techniques to optimize system performance.

16. Build Something Using Linux!

- Create a Web Server: Set up a simple web server using tools like Apache or Nginx.
- Deploy a Database Server: Install and configure a database server such as MySQL or PostgreSQL.

Next Steps

- Advanced Topics: Explore advanced Linux topics like shell scripting, network configuration, and server hardening.
- Certification: Consider pursuing Linux certification, such as CompTIA Linux+ or Red Hat Certified System Administrator (RHCSA).
- Real-world Projects: Apply your skills by working on real-world projects or contributing to open-source Linux projects.