

Vim Cheat Sheet

Global	Editing	Cut and paste	Working with multiple files	Tabs
:help keyword - open help for keyword	r - replace a single character	yy - yank (copy) a line	:e file - edit a file in a new buffer	:tabnew or :tabnew file - open a file in a new tab
:o file - open file	J - join line below to the current one	2yy - yank (copy) 2 lines	:bnext or :bn - go to the next buffer	Ctrl + wT - move the current split window into its own tab
:saveas file - save file as	cc - change (replace) entire line	yw - yank (copy) the characters of the word from the cursor position to the start of the next word	:bprev or :bp - go to the previous buffer	gt or :tabnext or :tabn - move to the next tab
:close - close current pane	cw - change (replace) to the end of the word	y\$ - yank (copy) to end of line	:bd - delete a buffer (close a file)	gT or :tabprev or :tabp - move to the previous tab
K - open man page for word under the cursor	c\$ - change (replace) to the end of the line	p - put (paste) the clipboard after cursor	:ls - list all open buffers	#gt - move to tab number #
Cursor movement	s - delete character and substitute text	P - put (paste) before cursor	:sp file - open a file in a new buffer and split window	:tabmove # - move current tab to the #th position (indexed from 0)
h - move cursor left	S - delete line and substitute text (same as cc)	dd - delete (cut) a line	:vsp file - open a file in a new buffer and vertically split window	:tabclose or :tabc - close the current tab and all its windows
j - move cursor down	xp - transpose two letters (delete and paste)	2dd - delete (cut) 2 lines	Ctrl + ws - split window	:tabonly or :tabo - close all tabs except for the current one
k - move cursor up	u - undo	dw - delete (cut) the characters of the word from the cursor position to the start of the next word	Ctrl + ww - switch windows	:tabdo command - run the command on all tabs (e.g. :tabdo q - closes all opened tabs)
l - move cursor right	Ctrl + r - redo	D - delete (cut) to the end of the line	Ctrl + wq - quit a window	
H - move to top of screen	. - repeat last command	d\$ - delete (cut) to the end of the line	Ctrl + wv - split window vertically	
M - move to middle of screen	Marking text (visual mode)	x - delete (cut) character	Ctrl + wh - move cursor to the left window (vertical split)	
L - move to bottom of screen	v - start visual mode, mark lines, then do a command (like y-yank)	Exiting	Ctrl + wl - move cursor to the right window (vertical split)	
w - jump forwards to the start of a word	V - start linewise visual mode	:w - write (save) the file, but don't exit	Ctrl + wj - move cursor to the window below (horizontal split)	
W - jump forwards to the start of a word (words can contain punctuation)	o - move to other end of marked area	:w !sudo tee % - write out the current file using sudo	Ctrl + wk - move cursor to the window above (horizontal split)	
e - jump forwards to the end of a word	Ctrl + v - start visual block mode	:wq or :x or ZZ - write (save) and quit		
E - jump forwards to the end of a word (words can contain punctuation)	O - move to other corner of block	:q - quit (fails if there are unsaved changes)		
b - jump backwards to the start of a word	aw - mark a word	:q! or ZQ - quit and throw away unsaved changes		
B - jump backwards to the start of a word (words can contain punctuation)	ab - a block with ()	Search and replace		
% - move to matching character (default supported pairs: '()', '{}', '[]' - use :h matchpairs in vim for more info)	aB - a block with {}	/pattern - search for pattern		
0 - jump to the start of the line	ib - inner block with ()	?pattern - search backward for pattern		
	iB - inner block with {}			
	Esc - exit visual mode			
	Visual commands			

^ - jump to the first non-blank character of the line	> - shift text right	\vpattern - 'very magic' pattern: non-alphanumeric characters are interpreted as special regex symbols (no escaping needed)
\$ - jump to the end of the line	< - shift text left	
g - jump to the last non-blank character of the line	y - yank (copy) marked text	n - repeat search in same direction
gg - go to the first line of the document	d - delete marked text	N - repeat search in opposite direction
G - go to the last line of the document	~ - switch case	
5G - go to line 5	Registers	:s/old/new/g - replace all old with new throughout file
fx - jump to next occurrence of character x	:reg - show registers content	:s/old/new/gc - replace all old with new throughout file with confirmations
tx - jump to before next occurrence of character x	"xy - yank into register x	
	"xp - paste contents of register x	
	Marks	:noh - remove highlighting of search matches
} - jump to next paragraph (or function/block, when editing code)	:marks - list of marks	
{ - jump to previous paragraph (or function/block, when editing code)	ma - set current position for mark A	Search in multiple files
	`a - jump to position of mark A	:vimgrep
	y`a - yank text to position of mark A	/pattern/ {file} - search for pattern in multiple files
zz - center cursor on screen	Macros	:cn - jump to the next match
Ctrl + b - move back one full screen	qa - record macro a	:cp - jump to the previous match
Ctrl + f - move forward one full screen	q - stop recording macro	:copen - open a window containing the list of matches
	@a - run macro a	
	@@ - rerun last run macro	
Ctrl + d - move forward 1/2 a screen		
Ctrl + u - move back 1/2 a screen		
Insert mode - inserting/appending text		
i - insert before the cursor		
I - insert at the beginning of the line		
a - insert (append) after the cursor		
A - insert (append) at the end of the line		
o - append (open) a new line below the current line		
O - append (open) a new line above the		

current line

ea - insert (append)
at the end of the
word

Esc - exit insert
mode