



## 1.20 man pages

man shows the system's manual pages. This is the command we use to view the help document (manual page) for any command. The man pages are organized based on sections, and if the same command is found in many different sections, only the first one is shown.

The general syntax is `man section command`. Example `man 7 signal`.

You can know about different sections below. Press q to quit the program.

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| 1 | Executable programs or shell commands   |
| 2 | System calls (functions provided by the kernel)                                 |
| 3 | Library calls (functions within program libraries)                              |
| 4 | Special files (usually found in /dev)   |
| 5 | File formats and conventions eg /etc/passwd                                     |
| 6 | Games   |
| 7 | Miscellaneous (including macro packages and conventions), e.g. man(7), groff(7) |
| 8 | System administration commands (usually only for root)                          |
| 9 | Kernel routines [Non standard]  |

