

Basic command line concepts

List the files and directories of a certain PATH

The path at the start of the Command Prompt input line always indicates your current directory.

Once you're in a directory, use the `dir` command to view the files and folders within.

Move a file to another directory

In the Windows command line and MS-DOS, you can move files using the `move` command. For example, if you want to move a file named "stats.doc" to the "c:\statistics" folder, you would type the following command, then press the Enter key.

Move stats.doc [c:\statistics](#)

Delete a certain file

In the Windows command line and MS-DOS, you can delete a file going to its path and there using the `del` command.

Move to the " parent " directory or container of the current directory

Microsoft DOS and the command prompt application included with Windows start at a subdirectory, such as the Windows folder or your user directory's folder, when you open them. You can change to the root directory of the current drive with the "`cd`" command or switch to a root directory on another drive. The root directory is the top-most folder on the drive. For example, "`C:\`" is the root directory for the C: drive and "`D:\`" is the root directory for the D: drive.

Delete a directory and its files

You can use `rmdir`.