Commands Unix

Command	Meaning
Is	List files and directories
ls -a	List all files and directories
mkdir	Make a directory
cd directory	Change to named directory
cd	Change to home-directory
cd ~	Change to home-directory
cd	Change to parent directory
pwd	Display the path of the current directory

Command	Meaning
cp file1 file2	Copy file1 and call it file2
mv file1 file2	Move or rename file1 to file2
rm file	Remove a file
rmdir <i>directory</i>	Remove a directory
cat file	Display a file
less file	Display a file a page at a time
head file	Display the first few lines of a file
tail <i>file</i>	Display the last few lines of a file
grep 'keyword' file	Search a file for keywords
wc file	Count number of lines/words/characters in file

Command	Meaning
command > file	Redirect standard output to a file
command >> file	Append standard output to a file
command < file	Redirect standard input from a file
command1 command2	Pipe the output of command1 to the input of command2
cat file1 file2 > file0	Concatenate file1 and file2 to file0
sort	Sort data
who	List users currently logged in

Command	Meaning
*	Match any number of characters
?	Match one character
man command	Read the online manual page for a command
whatis command	Brief description of a command
apropos keyword	Match commands with keyword in their man pages

Command	Meaning
ls -lag	List access rights for all files
chmod [options] file	Change access rights for named file

http://www.ee.surrey.ac.uk/Teaching/Unix/unix5.html