

# Neovim Basics Practice Guide

## Sample File for Practice: `neovim_practice.txt`

To start practicing, download the sample file and open it in Neovim. Use the command:

```
nvim neovim_practice.txt
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[Download neovim\\_practice.txt](#)

## Practice Exercises

### Section 1: Basic Navigation

- Move to the beginning of a line using `0`.
- Move to the end of a line with `$`.
- Find the word "practice" using `/practice` and place the cursor at the beginning of the word.

**Question:** What happens if you press `^` instead of `0`?

### Section 2: Inserting Text

- Add your name at the top of the file using `gg` to go to the top, then `o` to open a new line in Insert Mode.
- Insert the line `"Neovim is a powerful and modern text editor."` below this section using `o`.

### Section 3: Editing Text

- Change "modern" to "versatile" using `cw` to replace the word.
- Delete the entire line using `dd`.

**Question:** What difference do you notice between using `cw` and `ciw` for replacing text?

## Section 4: Copying and Pasting

- Copy a line using `yy` and paste it below with `p`.
- Copy "Section 1: Basic Navigation" and paste it at the end of the document.

## Section 5: Saving and Exiting

- Save the file with `:w` and quit with `:q`.
- To quit without saving, use `:q!`.

**Question:** What command would you use if you wanted to quit without saving changes?

## Summary of Commands

Command	Description
<code>0</code>	Move to the beginning of the line
<code>\$</code>	Move to the end of the line
<code>/text</code>	Search for "text"
<code>n</code>	Move to the next occurrence of search term
<code>gg</code>	Go to the beginning of the file
<code>o</code>	Open a new line below in Insert Mode
<code>cw</code>	Change word
<code>dd</code>	Delete the current line
<code>yy</code>	Copy (yank) the current line
<code>v</code>	Start Visual Mode and select entire lines
<code>p</code>	Paste below the cursor

Command	Description
<code>:w</code>	Save the file
<code>:q</code>	Quit Neovim
<code>:wq</code>	Save and quit Neovim
<code>:q!</code>	Quit without saving changes

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