Linux interview questions for Fresher

Questions 01-20 Basic

Questions 21–40 Intermediate

Questions 41-60 Advanced

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Questions 81–100 Expert-Level and Advanced Topics

1-20 (Basic Questions):

- 1. What is Linux?
- 2. What are the key features of Linux?
- 3. What is the Linux Kernel?
- 4. Explain the basic directory structure in Linux.
- 5. How do you check the current directory in Linux?
- 6. What is the command to list files in a directory?
- 7. How do you create and remove directories in Linux?
- 8. What is the command to delete a file in Linux?
- 9. How do you view the contents of a file in Linux?
- 10. How do you create a new user in Linux?
- 11. What is the command to check running processes in Linux?
- 12. What is the purpose of the 'grep' command?
- 13. What is the command to display the IP address of the system?
- 14. What is the 'hostnamectl' command used for?
- 15. How do you compress files in Linux?
- 16. What is the difference between `su` and `sudo`?
- 17. How do you check the disk usage in Linux?
- 18. What does 'chmod 755 filename' mean?
- 19. How do you check the Linux system uptime?
- 20. How do you set file ownership in Linux?

21-40 (Intermediate Questions):

- 21. How do you change file permissions in Linux?
- 22. What is a symbolic link in Linux?
- 23. How do you check for open ports in Linux?
- 24. What are inodes in Linux?
- 25. What is swap space?
- 26. How do you partition a disk in Linux?
- 27. What is the significance of the '/etc/passwd' file?
- 28. Explain the use of firewalls in Linux.
- 29. What is the 'fstab' file in Linux?
- 30. What is the purpose of the '/etc/hosts' file?
- 31. How do you troubleshoot network issues in Linux?
- 32. What is a network interface in Linux, and how do you list them?
- 33. Explain how DNS works in Linux.
- 34. How do you set environment variables in Linux?
- 35. How do you update the package repository in Linux?
- 36. What is the purpose of the 'umask' command?

- 37. What is the purpose of the 'ping' command?
- 38. How do you monitor disk I/O performance in Linux?
- 39. Explain how to schedule a job using `cron`.
- 40. What is the 'tail' command?

41-60 (Advanced Questions):

- 41. What is the difference between hard and soft links?
- 42. What is SELinux?
- 43. Explain how process management works in Linux.
- 44. What is the 'kill' command used for?
- 45. What are runlevels in Linux?
- 46. What is the difference between IPv4 and IPv6?
- 47. Explain how the 'ps' command works.
- 48. What is the GRUB bootloader?
- 49. How do you configure a firewall using `iptables` or `firewalld`?
- 50. Explain how to secure a Linux server.
- 51. What is LVM in Linux?
- 52. How do you check memory usage in Linux?
- 53. Explain the difference between RPM and APT.
- 54. How do you set up a static IP address in Linux?
- 55. What is the significance of the '/var/log' directory?
- 56. How do you troubleshoot a network connectivity issue in Linux?
- 57. How do you configure networking on a Linux system?
- 58. Explain how the 'cat' command works.
- 59. How do you restart a network service in Linux?
- 60. How do you schedule a one-time task using the 'at' command?

61-80 (More Advanced and Troubleshooting Questions):

- 61. How do you create and extract a `.tar.gz` archive?
- 62. What is the difference between 'systemd' and 'init'?
- 63. How do you redirect the output of a command to a file?
- 64. How do you force kill a process in Linux?
- 65. What is the `nohup` command used for in Linux?
- 66. How do you check system logs in Linux?
- 67. What is a Kernel panic?
- 68. How do you install a `.deb` package in Linux?
- 69. What is the purpose of the 'df' command?
- 70. Explain the usage of the 'top' command.
- 71. What is the difference between 'rm' and 'rmdir'?
- 72. How do you install a `.rpm` package in Linux?
- 73. How do you mount a file system in Linux?
- 74. How do you display and configure network interfaces with `ifconfig`?
- 75. What is a daemon in Linux?
- 76. How do you start, stop, and restart services using 'systemctl'?
- 77. What is the `ss` command, and how is it different from `netstat`?
- 78. How do you check CPU usage in Linux?
- 79. How do you compress files in Linux?
- 80. How do you change the default shell for a user?

81–100 (Expert-Level and Advanced Topics):

- 81. What is the difference between Linux and Unix?
- 82. What are the types of shells in Linux?
- 83. What is the 'rsync' command and how do you use it?
- 84. How do you monitor network activity in Linux?
- 85. What is the purpose of `netstat` in Linux?
- 86. How do you troubleshoot high memory usage in Linux?
- 87. How do you configure SSH key-based authentication in Linux?
- 88. What is the process of kernel compilation in Linux?
- 89. What is the use of the 'systemctl' command?
- 90. What is the difference between hard and soft limits in `ulimit`?
- 91. How do you manage file permissions for a group of users in Linux?
- 92. What are environment variables in Linux, and how do you set them?
- 93. What are Linux permissions and how do they work?
- 94. How do you check the memory usage of a specific process in Linux?
- 95. How do you update the Linux Kernel?
- 96. What is a Linux distribution, and give examples of popular distributions?
- 97. How do you troubleshoot file system corruption in Linux?
- 98. How do you monitor real-time system performance in Linux?
- 99. How do you compile a custom kernel in Linux?
- 100. How do you perform automated backups in Linux?

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