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**1. How can you install Linux on a Windows system using WSL2?**

**Answer:**

- Open PowerShell as Administrator.
  - Run the command: `wsl --install`.
  - Restart your system to complete the installation.
  - Launch WSL from the Start Menu and set up your Linux distribution.
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**2. Which command is used to check the current working directory in Linux?**

**Answer:**

`pwd` (Print Working Directory) is used to display the full path of the current directory.

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**3. How do you list all files and directories in the current directory?**

**Answer:**

Use the `ls` command to list all files and directories.

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**4. Write the command to change to the `/home/user/documents` directory.**

**Answer:**

`cd /home/user/documents`

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**5. How do you create a new file named `example.txt` using the terminal?**

**Answer:**

`touch example.txt`

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6. How can you rename `file1.txt` to `file2.txt`?

Answer:

```
mv file1.txt file2.txt
```

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7. Write the command to delete a file named `old_file.txt`.

Answer:

```
rm old_file.txt
```

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8. Which command can be used to view the contents of a file in Linux?

Answer:

Commands to view file contents:

- `cat filename` - Displays the entire content.
  - `less filename` - Allows scrolling through the file.
  - `head filename` - Displays the first 10 lines of the file.
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9. How do you add the text "Hello, Linux!" to a file named `greetings.txt`?

Answer:

```
echo "Hello, Linux!" > greetings.txt
```

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10. How do you edit a file named `notes.txt` using a command-line editor?

Answer:

```
nano notes.txt
```

11. What is the difference between `cat` and `less` commands in Linux?

Answer:

- `cat`: Displays the entire content of a file at once. Useful for smaller files.
  - `less`: Allows you to view the file one page at a time with navigation options (e.g., scroll up and down). Ideal for larger files.
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**12. How do you display the calendar for the current month in Linux?**

**Answer:**

Run the command:

`cal`

It displays the calendar for the current month.

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**13. Which command is used to clear the terminal screen?**

**Answer:**

`clear`

This command clears all previous output from the terminal screen.

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**14. How can you find the location of an installed command in Linux?**

**Answer:**

Use the `which` command. For example:

`which ls`

This will display the location of the `ls` command.

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**15. What does the `df -h` command display?**

**Answer:**

`df -h` displays the available and used disk space in a human-readable format (e.g., MB, GB).

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**16. How do you display the system uptime in Linux?**

**Answer:**

Run the command:

`uptime`

It shows how long the system has been running, along with the load average.

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**17. What does the `sort -r` command do, and when would you use it?**

**Answer:**

`sort -r` sorts the contents of a file in reverse order.

Use it when you need to reverse the default ascending order of sorting.

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**18. How can you search for files with a specific extension in a directory?**

**Answer:**

Use the `find` command. For example:

```
find /path/to/directory -name "*.txt"
```

This searches for all `.txt` files in the specified directory.

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**19. What is the difference between `wget` and `curl` commands?**

**Answer:**

- `wget`: Primarily used for downloading files from the web. Supports recursive downloading.
  - `curl`: A versatile tool to interact with URLs. Can send HTTP requests, upload files, and handle APIs, in addition to downloading.
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**20. How do you append text to an existing file using the `echo` command?**

**Answer:**

Use the `>>` operator. For example:

```
echo "New line of text" >> filename
```

This appends the text "New line of text" to the file named `filename`.

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**21. How can you list directory contents with detailed information, such as permissions and ownership?**

**Answer:**

Use the command:

```
ls -l
```

This displays details like file type, permissions, ownership, group ownership, file size, and last modification time.

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**22. What does the first column of the `ls -l` output represent?**

**Answer:**

The first column shows the file type and permissions in the format:

```
-rwxr-xr--
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- First character: File type (`-` for regular file, `d` for directory, `l` for symlink, etc.).
- Next 9 characters: Permissions (read `r`, write `w`, execute `x`) for owner, group, and others.

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### 23. How do you create a new file and a new directory in Linux?

**Answer:**

- Create a new file: `touch filename`
  - Create a new directory: `mkdir dirname`
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### 24. How can you copy, move, and delete a file in Linux?

**Answer:**

- Copy: `cp source_file destination_file`
  - Move: `mv source_file destination_file`
  - Delete: `rm filename`
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### 25. How do you change file permissions using symbolic notation?

**Answer:**

Use the `chmod` command with symbolic notation.

For example:

- Add execute permission for the owner: `chmod u+x filename`
  - Remove write permission for others: `chmod o-w filename`
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### 26. How do you change file permissions using octal notation?

**Answer:**

Use `chmod` with numeric values representing permissions:

- Read = 4, Write = 2, Execute = 1.  
For example:
  - Grant full permissions to the owner, and read-only for others: `chmod 744 filename`.
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### 27. How do you change the ownership of a file?

**Answer:**

Use the `chown` command.

For example:

`chown username filename`

This sets `username` as the new owner of the file.

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## 28. How do you change the group ownership of a file?

### Answer:

Use the `chgrp` command.

For example:

```
chgrp groupname filename
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This sets `groupname` as the group owner of the file.

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## 29. What are `setuid`, `setgid`, and sticky bit permissions, and how are they applied?

### Answer:

- **setuid**: Executes a file with the file owner's privileges.  
Apply it using: `chmod u+s filename`.
  - **setgid**: Executes a file with the group owner's privileges or makes new files in a directory inherit its group.  
Apply it using: `chmod g+s filename_or_directory`.
  - **Sticky bit**: Ensures only the owner can delete files in a directory.  
Apply it using: `chmod +t directory`.
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## 30. How do you create soft and hard links in Linux?

### Answer:

- **Soft link (symbolic link)**:  
`ln -s target_file link_name`
  - **Hard link**:  
`ln target_file link_name`
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## 31. How can you simulate and resolve a permission error when trying to write to a file?

### Answer:

1. **Simulate the error**: Remove write permission for the owner:  
`chmod u-w filename`.
2. **Resolve the error**: Add write permission back using:  
`chmod u+w filename`  
Or change the ownership with:  
`chown username filename`.

32. What is the significance of the `setuid` and `setgid` bits in file permissions?

- **Answer:**
    - The `setuid` bit allows a program to run with the privileges of the file owner, regardless of the user executing it.
    - The `setgid` bit allows a program or file to inherit the group ID of its owning group when executed or created. For directories, files created inside inherit the directory's group.
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33. How can you restrict file access to the file owner only?

- **Answer:** Use the `chmod 700 filename` command. This sets permissions to allow only the owner to read, write, and execute the file.
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34. How do you remove write permissions for a group on a file using `chmod`?

- **Answer:** Use the `chmod g-w filename` command.
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35. How can you check the number of hard links associated with a file?

- **Answer:** Use the `ls -l filename` command. The second column in the output displays the number of hard links.
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36. What is the purpose of the sticky bit in directory permissions?

- **Answer:**

The sticky bit ensures that only the file owner or root can delete or modify files within a directory, even if other users have write permissions. This is commonly used for shared directories like `/tmp`.
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37. How do you recursively change the permissions of all files and subdirectories within a directory?

- **Answer:** Use the `chmod -R permissions directory_name` command, where `permissions` specify the desired permission settings.
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38. How can you create a file and assign specific permissions at the same time?

- **Answer:** Use the `umask` command to set default permissions and then create the file. Alternatively, you can use `touch filename && chmod permissions filename`.
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39. What command is used to view the effective permissions of a symbolic link?

- **Answer:** Use the `ls -l` command. The permissions of the symbolic link itself are displayed, and the arrow (`->`) points to the target file or directory.
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40. How do you check and modify default permissions for newly created files in Linux?

- **Answer:**
    - Check default permissions using the `umask` command.
    - Modify default permissions by setting a new mask with `umask value`. For example, `umask 022` sets default permissions to `755` for directories and `644` for files.
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41. What is the command to change the ownership of a directory and all its contents?

- **Answer:** Use the `chown -R user:group directory_name` command, where `user` and `group` are the new owner and group, respectively.

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