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I tried `cp /bin* b` , but I didn't succeed.



command-line



edited Aug 26 '13 at 18:21

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1 `cp /bin/b* /to_folder/` should work – [SimplySimon](#) Aug 26 '13 at 18:22 

2 Answers

▲ Use:

24 `cp /bin/[bB]* ~/tolocation`



answered Aug 26 '13 at 18:23



[Symin](#)

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1 Anyone care to say why the -1? – [Symin](#) Aug 26 '13 at 18:24

Saw the -1 very briefly - it is gone now. – [gertvdijk](#) Aug 26 '13 at 18:25

i'd rather "cp -p" than just "cp" ... – [Olivier Dulac](#) Aug 27 '13 at 9:10

I prefer to use `cp /bin/[bB]* ~/tolocation/` , to ensure that ~/tolocation is a directory and not a file. – [Zane](#) Mar 19 '14 at 10:21

▲ The right command is:

12 `cp /bin/b* /bin/B* destination`



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That's because there should be no files starting with 'B'. However you shouldn't worry.

answered Aug 26 '13 at 18:22



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