Lab 1 Appendix B – Windows Commands

List Of Common Windows Command Prompt Commands

Command	Description
dir	Displays a list of files and subdirectories in a directory.
cd \	Goes to the root of the drive.
cd	Goes back one directory in the tree.
del	Deletes one or more files.
more	Displays output on screen one page at a time.
mkdir	Creates a directory.
rmdir	Removes a directory.
ctrl+c	Cancels current operation.
help	List commands.
/?	Placed at the end of a command (dir /?) it list all syntax and argument switches.
copy	Copies file to a new location.
ipconfig	Controls and displays the network setting for the computer.
ping	Test a network connection to a server or other computer.
robocopy	More robust version of copy, adds enhancements. Win ver. 7 and higher.
echo	Turns command echoing on or off.
For	Repeat a command for several values of a variable.
><	Redirection operators redirect output/input of a command to a file.
1	Pipe takes output from one command and inputs it to another command.
exit	Stops and closes the CMD window.

This is a very small sampling of the commands. A more complete list can be found at $\frac{\text{http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc772390(v=ws.10).aspx.}}{\text{technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc772390(v=ws.10).aspx.}}$