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Using the vimtutor

1. On your system, search by keyword for all vim related entries in the man pages.

- a. `$ man -k vim`

<code>gvim (1)</code>	- Vi IMproved, a programmers text editor
<code>gvimdiff (1)</code>	- edit two, three or four versions of a file with Vim and show differences
<code>gvimtutor (1)</code>	- the Vim tutor
<code>rvim (1)</code>	- Vi IMproved, a programmers text editor
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<code>vimrc (5)</code>	- Vi IMproved, a programmers text editor
<code>vimrc_event.conf (5)</code>	- configuration file for libreport.
<code>vimtutor (1)</code>	- the Vim tutor
<code>vimx (1)</code>	- Vi IMproved, a programmers text editor

2. Look at the man page for `vim(1)`, the `vimrc(5)`, and the `vimtutor(1)`.

- a. What is the purpose of the `vimrc`?

- i. Contains Vim's core global settings

3. The `vimtutor` is a great way to become more familiar with vim. Vim is the new improved version of the 'vi' editor which is guaranteed to be on every system. You need to become more familiar with the 'vi/vim' editor.

Start the tutorial by just typing the name 'vimtutor' on the command line.

Then Follow the instructions step by step until you get to about 15 mins. Next time, continue from where you left off and continue to practice for another 15 mins. Repeat this everyday and you will be good at using the vi/vim editor.

- a. `$ vimtutor`

Lesson 1.3: TEXT EDITING - DELETION

**** Press x to delete the character under the cursor. ****

1. Move the cursor to the line below marked --->
2. To fix the errors, move the cursor until it is on top of the character to be deleted.
3. Press the x key to delete the unwanted character.
4. Repeat steps 2 through 4 until the sentence is correct.

---> The cow jumped over the moon.

5. Now that the line is correct, go on to Lesson 1.4.

NOTE: As you go through this tutor, do not try to memorize, learn by usage.

Lesson 1.4: TEXT EDITING - INSERTION

**** Press i to insert text. ****

1. Move the cursor to the first line below marked --->.
2. To make the first line the same as the second, move the cursor on top of the first character AFTER where the text is to be inserted.
3. Press i and type in the necessary additions.
4. As each error is fixed press <ESC> to return to Normal mode.
Repeat steps 2 through 4 to correct the sentence.

---> There is some text missing from this line.

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5. When you are comfortable inserting text move to lesson 1.5.