Activity: Get help in the command line

Introduction

In this lab, you'll use the *man*, *whatis*, and *apropos* commands to practice finding answers to Linux questions in the command line. These skills are useful for many different security tasks. You'll use Linux commands in the Bash shell to complete this lab. **Disclaimer:** For optimal performance and compatibility, it is recommended to use either **Google Chrome** or **Mozilla Firefox** browsers while accessing the labs.

What you'll do

You have multiple tasks in this lab:

- Explore commands that help you learn more about other commands
- Find options for a command
- Determine the differences between two commands
- Identify the command needed to create a new group

Lab instructions

Start the lab

Before you start, you can review the [Resources for completing Linux labs](#)

. Then from this page, click **Launch App**. A Qwiklabs page will open and from that page, click **Start Lab** to begin the activity!

You may attempt this lab a maximum of 5 times, and you will have 60 minutes to complete this lab during each attempt.

End the lab

From within the lab, click **End Lab** to end your lab.

Additionally, sometimes you need to refresh your Coursera page in order for your progress to be registered. If you refresh this page after you complete your lab, the green check mark should appear.

Best practices for completing labs:

- Make sure your browser is up to date with the latest version.
- Make sure your internet connection is stable.
- After you complete the lab, leave the lab window open for at least 10 minutes in order to allow the system to record your progress.
- If you run into issues connecting to the lab, try logging into Coursera in an Incognito mode and completing the lab there.

- Review [Lab tips and troubleshooting steps](#)

- for more information.

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