Software Carpentry / Shell Novice Lecture Notes

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Overview:

Setup Introducing the Shell **Navigating Files and Directories Working With Files and Directories Pipes and Filters** Loops **Shell Scripts Finding Things**

Setup:

- Download and install the data
- How to open a shell
 - Linux
 - Mac OS
 - Windows

Introducing the Shell:

- GUI vs CLI/TUI
- Nelle's Pipeline

Navigating Files and Directories:

- whoami
- pwd
- Is
- cd
- tree

Working With Files and Directories:

- mkdir
- nano
- touch
- rm
- mv
- cp

Pipes and Filters:

- WC
- echo
- redirection
- head
- tail
- cat
- less
- sort
- uniq
- wildcards

Loops:

- for/in/do/done
- naming files (spaces are evil)
- history ("Ctrl-r", "!!", "!\$",)
- wildcards and dry runs ("*", "?", "[]")
- nested loops

Shell Scripts:

- 'bash filename' (forking and environments)
- arguments: \$1 \$2 etc. ("\$@")
- comments
- extract a script from history
- file magic and permissions ("hash bang slash bin slash bash" (shebang))

Finding Things:

- grep
- find
- "\$()" or """
- man command