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## Command: Print Working Directory (pwd)

When you first start using the CLI, there are no clear visual guides to help you remember the path to your files and folders or where you currently are within your file system. This is when the following command will come in handy!

If you are working in a directory and want to see the absolute path to your current location, you would use:

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pwd
```

This stands for “print working directory.” In programming, we’ll use the word **print** to mean “show me the result of the command I just typed.”

Try this on your own desktop.

Note that if you are in your home directory (`~`), the `pwd` command will show the explicit location of your home directory, something like `/Users/jane_doe/`. (Remember that the `~` is a “shortcut” to your home directory’ location.)

