

## **Basic Linux Commands**

Usefullink <https://itworkshopktu2024.blogspot.com/2024/11/familiarization-of-basic-linux-commands.html>

1. Do the following in the order given
  - a) Create a directory EV2. (mkdir ev4)
  - b) Navigate to that directory (cd ev4)
  - c) Create a directory with your roll number
  - d) Navigate to that
  - e) Type the following commands and write the resultant directory path(use pwd if required) . Also pen down your understanding of the result
  - f)

**i) cd**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30

Go to the folder mentioned after cd

**ii) cd-**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4

Go to previous directory.

**iii) cd.**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4

Keeps the user in same directory

**iv) cd ..**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~

Go one directory back(parent directory)

**v) cd ~**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~

Go to home directory.

**vi) cd /**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 /

Go to root directory.

**vii) ls -l**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 /

Shows the long listing format

**viii) cd media**

bash: cd: media: No such file or directory.

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 /

Moves into the folder named 'media'. Since such a file does not exist, an error appears.

**ix) cd**

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~  
Takes to home directory

**x) pwd**  
/c/Users/ADMIN  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~

**xi) cd media**  
bash: cd: media: No such file or directory

xii) ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~

**xiv) cd /media**  
bash: cd: /media: No such file or directory

ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~  
Moves to the media folder located inside the root directory. No such directory. Therefore an error appeared.

**xv) ls -l**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~  
Display a detailed list of all the files and folders present.

**xvi) ls -al**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~  
Shows all files, even hidden ones.

**xvii) cd~/ev4/30**  
Goes to the folder 30 which is inside ev4 which is inside my home directory.

**xviii) mkdir emptydummy**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Creates a new directory named empty dummy

**xix) mkdir dummy**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Creates a new directory named dummy

**xx) cd dummy**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30/dummy  
Changes working directory to the folder named dummy.

**xxi) touch file1**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30/dummy  
Creates a new empty file named file1 inside the current working directory.

**xxii) touch file2**  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30/dummy

Creates a new empty file named file2 inside the current working directory.

**xxiii) ls -l**

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total 0  
-rw-r--r-- 1 ADMIN 197121 0 Feb 12 15:50 file1  
-rw-r--r-- 1 ADMIN 197121 0 Feb 12 15:50 file2  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/10/dummy
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**xxiv) rm -i file2**

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rm: remove regular empty file 'file2'? Yes  
Deletes the file named file2 after asking for confirmation.
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**xxv) ls -l**

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total 0  
-rw-r--r-- 1 ADMIN 197121 0 Feb 12 15:50 file1  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30/dummy  
Displays all the files
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**xxvi) cd ..**

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ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Moves to parent directory
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**\$xxvii) rm emptydummy**

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rm: cannot remove 'emptydummy': Is a directory  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Attempts to remove directory 'emptydummy', but results in error since it is used for files.
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**xxviii) rmdir emptydummy**

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ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Only empty dirs removed with rmdir
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**xxviii) rmdir dummy**

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rmdir: failed to remove 'dummy': Directory not empty  
ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Will give an error since it is not empty.
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**xxx) rm -r dummy**

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ADMIN@DESKTOP-V5GL8DI MINGW64 ~/ev4/30  
Deletes the directory 'dummy' along with all the files inside it
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2. **cat >file1.txt** -- You can use cat to create a file and input text directly from the terminal. Type the content 'My first line', and press CTRL+D to save and exit
3. **cat >file2.txt** -- Type the content 'Hello Second line', and press CTRL+D to save and exit
- 4.
5. **cat > file3.txt** -- Write 'Hello line' as input and save the file

6. **cat file1.txt file2.txt > file\_combined.txt** --> overwrites, >> appends
7. **cat file\_combined.txt** --Need not type the entire filename...Write file\_c and press Tab to see how it autocompletes
8. **cat file3.txt >> file\_combined.txt** – appends
9. **cat file\_combined.txt**
10. **grep -i hello file\***
11. **cp file1.txt ~/ev4**
12. **mv file\_combined.txt combined** -- check new file using **ls -l**

### **Change permissions → chmod**

You can do this in two ways.

#### **Method A: Symbolic mode (easy to read)**

Examples

1. Give execute permission to owner: ex: **chmod u+x file.sh**
2. Remove write permission from group: ex: **chmod g-w file.txt**
3. Add read permission to everyone: ex: **chmod a+r file.txt**
4. Set exact permissions:ex: **chmod u=rwx,g=rx,o=r myfile**

#### **Method B: Numeric (octal) mode (most used)**

Permission values for rwx = 421

Examples

1. Owner: rwx, Group: r-x, Others: r-- => **chmod 754 file.txt**
2. Read/write for owner only: => **chmod 600 file.txt**

Permissions meaning differ with ref to files and directories

#### **13. *chmod u+x combined***

--Grant execute permission to owner.

Check the new permission using **ls -l**

#### ***combined***

14. **chmod g-r combined** -- Remove read permission from group
15. **chmod 777 combined** -- giving rwx= 111=7, full permission to all user, group and Others
16. **sudo useradd alice** -- new user created using sudo super user
17. **sudo passwd alice** -- set new password using passwd
18. **sudo userdel alice** – Attempt to delta the user account named alice .

If in a network server, write command can work like a "chat" with someone logged into the same system(server)

The write command sends a real-time message to another user.

Both the sender and receiver must be logged into the same system.

The message is displayed directly on the receiver's terminal

Syntax : write username [tty]

username: The name of the user you want to send the message to.

`tty` (optional): Specifies the exact terminal session of the user (useful if the user has multiple sessions open).

Ex: `write alice`

There is also an option for the user to enable/block messaging using `mesg y` or `mesg n`