

CSCD 240

Lab 2

NOTE: Capture means copy and paste from a command line into a text editor. “Capture command xyz” means to capture the xyz command AND its resulting output. If the question does not say capture still capture all the commands. You must complete this lab via ssh into `cslinux.eastern.ewu.edu`

1. Capture the results of the `uname -a` command.
2. Clearly explain why programs should be placed in `/bin` or `/usr/bin`.
3. You are asked to use a program named `mystery` which you have never used before. Explain how you would find information on the program and what it does. List all the ways (Google/Bing is not an option)
4. There are many other environment variables available to the user. Capture the `printenv` command. Describe 3 of the environment variables.
5. In class we discussed the use of the accent (back tick) for when it comes to executing the `date` command. Can you use the accent on the `ls` command? How would you use the accent on the `ls` command? Capture the usage of the accent on the `ls` command.
6. Capture the output of the `file` command on the `chmod` executable. (Where does `chmod` live?) Explain the information being displayed.
7. Capture the output of the `stat` command on the `chmod` executable. Explain the information being displayed.
8. Try and delete `chmod`. Did it delete why or why not?
9. Try and delete `chmod` and capture the output from standard error to a file named `err.txt`
10. Capture the command to create `test1`, `test2`, `test3`, `test33`, `stu1`, `stu2`, `stu22`.
11. Using meta characters and a single `ls` command list all files named `test`.
12. Using meta characters and a single `ls` command list only the files with the number 2 or 22 in them.
13. Using meta characters and a single `ls` command list only the files with a single 2 not 22 in them.
14. In your home directory, capture the `ls` command piped to `more`, and the output from `more`.
15. Issue the `which` command on `ls`. Was and where was the command found?

16. Issue the `which` command on `pthread.h`. Was the command found? If it was not found why not? How would you modify this.
17. Using only octal values add executable access to `test1`, `test2`, `test3`.
18. Using only alphanumeric characters remove read access from `stu1` and `stu2`.
19. Execute `help set`
20. Set the `noclobber` option on `err.txt`
21. Issue an `ls -al` redirected to `err.txt`. What was the output and why?
22. Remove the `noclobber` option from `err.txt`
23. Explain the `--help` option for a program.
24. Explain double quotes, single quotes and the accent
25. Using the **man** page describe what is output by the **env** command with no arguments.
26. Show a shell command that will add the current directory to the **PATH** (without removing any existing variables from the current value of **PATH**.)
27. Describe what you would have to do to make a change to the Shell permanent.
28. Explain how to make a Shell change permanent for all sessions including your current session. (i.e. how do I reload my current session without closing and reopening)
29. Capture the output from the **echo** “**Current time and date is `date`**” command.
30. Issue the **date** command and capture its output. Now, capture the output from the **echo 'Current time and date is `date`'** command. Note that the ``` character is an accent NOT an apostrophe `'`. Explain why the output is different in particular to the single and double quotes. Also explain what the ``` character does.
31. Create a symbolic link called `almost` that links to the `lab1` directory. Capture the output
32. Change to `almost` and capture the output.
33. Use `"help"` to get information on how to use the `alias` command.
 - a. What information is provided in from “`help`”?
 - b. When do should you use “`help`” compared to when you should use “`man`”?
34. Create an alias named `LA` that is `ls -al`. Capture the output and show it worked.

35. Capture the command to redirect your output from #17 to a file named date.txt.
36. Issue the more or less command on date.txt and capture the output.
37. Capture the long listing of date.txt.
38. Modify date.txt to add executable privileges to date.txt for the owner, Capture the command and proof that the permissions were changed. No other permissions will be changed. You must do this with the octal values.
39. Modify date.txt to remove w from the group. Capture the command and proof that the permissions were changed. No other permissions will be changed. You must do this without using the octal values.
40. Capture the command echo \$SHELL.
 - a. What shell are you using?
 - b. Where do the “shells” live?
 - c. Capture the command to switch to a different shell
 - d. Capture the command echo \$SHELL.
 - e. What shell are you using? Why is the shell different than you expected?
 - f. Capture the command to leave the different shell

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- A PDF file - Name this text file your last name, first letter of your first name lab2.pdf. This file will contain all your answers. I want the question copied and then the answer to the question below it.
- A zip file that contains your pdf, and all text and files created for this lab.

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