

Using Man Pages

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MAN Pages

Manual



Provides documentation for Unix/Linux commands



Essential for understanding command usage, options, and syntax

Command	'man <command name>'
Example	man ls

Displays the manual page for the specified command

To get a quick help for any command run: `<command> --help` .
Example: `'ls -help'`



Sections of Man Page

Name	Brief description of the command.
Synopsis	Command syntax and options.
Description	Detailed description of the command.
Options	List of available options and their usage.
Examples	Common usage examples.
See Also	Related commands and references.

Search within the Man Page

/keyword:

- Search for a keyword within the man page.
- Example: /option

n:

- Move to the next occurrence of the keyword.

Tips

Use `man -k <keyword>`

- to search for commands related to a keyword.
- Example: `man -k network`

`Man -f <command>`

- to get a brief description (same as `whatis`).
- Example: `man -f ls`

Common Man Pages

Man

man bash:

Bash shell
manual.

Man

man ssh:

Secure Shell
manual.

Man

man grep:

Pattern
search utility
manual.

Practice Questions

Explore the different man pages



How do you find the man page for ls?



How do you find all commands that include system?



How many sections are in the man page of systemctl?



Demonstrations

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