

**1.A system has a file /etc/passwd. How would you use grep + tee to extract usernames and save them to a file while also displaying them on the screen?**

Ans : The /etc/passwd file contains user account information. Each line represents a user, with fields separated by colons (:). The username is the first field on each line. To extract only the usernames and simultaneously display them on the screen and save them to a file, we can use the following command:

**cut -d':' -f1 /etc/passwd | tee  
usernames.txt**

1. `cut -d':' -f1 /etc/passwd`  
cut extracts sections of each line.  
`-d':'` specifies : as the delimiter.  
`-f1` selects the first field (username).
2. `| (pipe)`

Sends the output of the cut command to the next command.

3. tee usernames.txt

tee writes the output to a file (usernames.txt) and displays it on the screen simultaneously.

**2 .binary isn't found in \$PATH. How would you use commands (which, find, locate) to troubleshoot and fix the issue**

Ans:

1. Use which to check if the binary is in the \$PATH:

**which binary\_name**

2. If not found, use find to search the filesystem:

**find / -type f -name "binary\_name"  
2>/dev/null**

3. Alternatively, use locate (after updating the database):

**sudo updatedb**

**locate binary\_name**

4. Once the binary path is found, add it to \$PATH:

**export**

**PATH=\$PATH:/path/to/binary\_directory**

5. To make it permanent, add the above line to `~/.bashrc` or `~/.profile`.

**3. Write a command pipeline that finds all .log files modified in the last 24 hours in /var/log and saves results into log\_report.txt**

Ans :

Command:

**/var/log -name "\*.log" -mtime -1 -print | tee log\_report.txt**

This locates .log files modified in the last 24 hours and saves results to log\_report.txt

#### **4.What is the difference between shutdown -r now and reboot?**

Ans :

- i. shutdown -r now: Gracefully shuts down all processes, logs out users, and reboots immediately.
- ii.reboot: Instantly restarts the system, may not handle active processes as gracefully.

#### **5.How can you use the tee command to debug a script that generates both standard output and error messages?**

Ans :

Command:

**./script.sh 2>&1 | tee debug.log**

2>&1 redirects standard error (file descriptor 2) to standard output (file descriptor 1).

| tee debug.log writes the combined output to the file debug.log and also shows it on the terminal

This combines stdout and stderr streams, saving them into debug\_output.txt as well as displaying them.

## **6.Explain any three real-world applications of Linux in industries.**

Ans :

**Google:** Data centers and Android OS.

**Amazon AWS:** Cloud services and servers.

**Netflix:** Content delivery and streaming infrastructure.

Linux is used for scalability, reliability, and cost-efficiency in these industries.

## **7.Differentiate application, system and utility software in the context of Linux environment.**

Ans :

**System software:** Operates hardware and provides a platform for other software (e.g., Linux OS).

**Application software:** Helps users perform tasks (e.g., web browsers, editors).

**Utility software:** Supports system maintenance (e.g., backup tools, disk cleaners).

## **8.What are the key differences between open-source and proprietary operating systems?**

**Ans :**

### **Open-Source Operating Systems:**

- i.Source code is publicly available.
- ii.Users can modify, customize, and redistribute the code.
- iii.Usually free of cost.
- iv.Supported by community contributions and forums.

**Example: Linux, FreeBSD.**

### **Proprietary Operating Systems:**

- i.Source code is closed and controlled by the company.

- ii. Users cannot modify or redistribute the code.
- iii. Usually requires purchasing a license.
- iv. Support and updates are provided officially by the vendor.

Example: Windows, macOS.

**9. Write the command to display the system's kernel version.**

Ans :

Command : **uname -r**

This command displays the system's kernel version.

**10. What is the difference between head and tail commands in text processing?**

**Ans :**

**head command:** Displays the first few lines of a file (default: first 10 lines).

**head filename.txt**

**tail command:** Displays the last few lines of a file (default: last 10 lines).

**tail filename.txt**

**Key Difference:**

- i. head starts reading from the top of the file.
- ii. tail starts reading from the bottom of the file.

