

# Linux Commands

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## 1 clear

Clears the current terminal screen.

## 2 pwd

Prints the absolute path to the current working directory.

## 3 --help

Common flag that can be passed to the end of commands to display a short help page including options and the proper syntax of a command.

## 4 man

Manual page for a command. Equivalent of --help but much more detailed and scrollable.

## 5 cd

Change directory, accepts either a relative or absolute path.

## 6 ls

Alphabetically lists files and directories in the current working directory. By default it does not show hidden files and directories.

## 7 su -

Allows switching between users in current terminal session. Providing a hyphen to su switches to the root user account.

## **8   whoami**

Prints the username of the current terminal session.

## **9   history**

Prints a chronologically numbered list of the executed commands in the shell.  
Shortcut is Ctrl+r which opens a new search prompt for the hist file.

## **10   !n**

Can be combined with history to repeat a command based on its chronological number in the history output.