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Handy .vimrc Things

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Here are some of the more handy things I have in my .vimrc file:

```
" netrw settings
let g:netrw_liststyle = 2
let g:netrw_banner = 0

" split window and open file explorer
map <leader>e :Sex<cr>
```

The above opens a file explorer as a split buffer in my ~ home directory, and changes the display from the first to the second screenshot:



The following super simple line exchanges the semi-colon to a colon in “normal mode”, because I tire of typing shift-semicolon **so** much:

```
" Alleviate shift: madnesss by remapping ; to :
nnoremap ; :
```

Here I add a couple essential commands to the excellent [vcscommand](#) plugin.
One to git push my commits, and one to view the actual changes of each commit:

```
nmap <leader>cp :!git push<cr>
" Replace git log with -p:
nmap <leader>cl :!git log -p %<cr>
```

I use the simple but fabulous [vim-gitgutter](#) plugin, that displays colored git changes for a line, in the left margin. Here I use CTRL-G + CTRL-G to toggle the changes display, and CTRL-G + CTRL-N with CTRL-G + CTRL-P to move to the next and previous git changes respectively:

```
map <C-G><C-G> :GitGutterToggle<cr>
map <C-G><C-N> :GitGutterNextHunk<cr>
map <C-G><C-P> :GitGutterPrevHunk<cr>
```

The following will display either relative or absolute line numbers, along the left margin, when I double-tap CTRL + either the letter M or N:

```
map <C-M><C-M> :set relativenumber!<CR>
map <C-N><C-N> :set number!<CR>
```

This toggles word-wrapping on and off:

```
map <C-W><C-W> :set wrap!<cr>
```

And this is just extra-handy:

```
" Use the mouse!
set mouse=nv
```

I loves me a status line along the bottom of the screen:

```
" Have a status line
set laststatus=2
if has("statusline")
```

```

set statusline = " clear
set statusline+=%02n " leading zero 2 digit buffer numbe
set statusline+=\ %<f " relative filename path
set statusline+=[%{&ff}] " [fileformat]
set statusline+=%r " read only flag '[RO]'
set statusline+=%m " modified flag '[+]' if modifiable
set statusline+=%h " help flag '[Help]'
set statusline+=%= " left/right separation point
set statusline+=[%b " decimal byte
set statusline+=\ x%02B] " hex byte ' \x62'
set statusline+=\ %{(line('.')-1)%16} " line
set statusline+=:%{(line('.')-1)/16} " block
set statusline+=\/%{line('$')/16} " max block
set statusline+=\ %c " column number
set statusline+=%V " virtual column '-{n}'
set statusline+=:%l/%L " line/lines
set statusline+=\ %p% " percent of file
set statusline+=%{&hlsearch?'+' '-' }
set statusline+=%{&paste?'=' '\ ' }
set statusline+=%{&wrap?'<':'>'}
endif

```

My tab is set to insert 4 spaces, so I use this when I need to indent a line by 2:

```

" Indent 2 spaces
map <leader>. I <esc>0<esc>

```

I use these constantly to comment/uncomment lines:

```

" Line head removal:
map <leader>1 0x
" Perl, shell, etc comment:
map <leader>3 0i#<esc>

```

Here are a number of “C.A.S.E.” type statements that I use regularly:

```

map <leader>;ul ouse lib '/Users/gene/sandbox//lib';<esc>bbba
map <leader>;db o$DB::single = 1;<esc>
map <leader>;dd ouse Data::Dumper;warn(__PACKAGE__, ' ', __LINE__, " MARK: ", D
map <leader>;ww owarn(__PACKAGE__, ' ', __LINE__, " MARK: ", ", "\n");<esc>6hi
map <leader>;dt odone_testing();exit;<esc>
map <leader>;e o__END__<esc>

```

```
map <leader>;pp ggO#!/usr/bin/env perl<cr>use strict;<cr>use warnings;<cr>
map <leader>;iv Ashift \\|\\ die "Usage: perl $0 \n";<esc>F\\i
```

I use Perl every day. So here are lines that I use frequently. Some execute perldoc in various ways; some check the syntax of the file; some run the file as perl:

```
map <leader>pc :!podchecker %<cr>           " Check the POD
map <leader>pd :!perldoc %<cr>              " perldoc the file
map <leader>po :!perldoc <word><cr>         " perldoc a module name unde
map <leader>pm :!vim $(perldoc -l <word>)<cr> " Execute vim on the cursor
map <leader>pf :!perldoc -f <word><cr>      " View the description of th
map <leader>pq :!perldoc -q <word><cr>      " Search the FAQ for the wor
map <leader>pr :!perl -I. -Ilib %<cr>       " Run the file with perl
map <leader>ps :w !perl -I. -Ilib -c<cr>    " Check the perl syntax of t
map <leader>px :!carton exec -- perl -I. -Ilib -c %<cr>
map <leader>pu :!carton exec -- perl -I. -Ilib %<cr>
```

If you have a ~/.bin/perldocv file with contents:

```
perldoc $1 | vim -R +"set ft=perl" -
```

Then you can replace the “<leader>po” line above with:

```
map <leader>po :!perldocv <word><cr>
```

I like to see which line I am currently on with this:

```
" Highlight current line
set cursorline
highlight CursorLine cterm=NONE ctermbg=235 ctermfg=NONE
```

These lines allow me to open up perl and html files with syntax highlighting turned on appropriately:

```
autocmd BufNewFile,BufRead *.pl,*.pm,*.t set filetype=perl
autocmd BufNewFile,BufRead *.htm,*.html,*.tt set filetype=html
```

With a set of basic skeleton files saved, I can vim a new, unknown file with one of

the following extensions, and have it open the appropriate skeleton:

```
autocmd BufNewFile *.pm 0r ~/.vim/skeleton.pm
autocmd BufNewFile *.pl 0r ~/.vim/skeleton.pl
autocmd BufNewFile *.t 0r ~/.vim/skeleton.t
autocmd BufNewFile *.html 0r ~/.vim/skeleton.html
```

The shift-K lookup gets replaced with perldoc -f, with this line:

```
" Lookup with perldoc -f
noremap K :!perldoc <word> <bar><bar> perldoc -f <word><cr>
```

I override a couple colorizations (line numbers and comments) with ones that I prefer:

```
highlight LineNr ctermfg=darkgrey
highlight clear SignColumn
```

```
highlight Comment ctermfg=darkgrey
```

With the useful [Perl::Tidy](#) module installed, this allows me to visually select a range and apply perl tidy to it with the F2 key:

```
" Visual mode perl tidy
command -range=% -nargs=* Tidy <line1>,<line2>!perltidy
autocmd Filetype perl vmap <F2> :Tidy<CR>
```

And those are the highlights of my .vimrc! I *would* publish the entire file itself, but it is large, full of mundane/abstruse settings, and it keeps changing by me adding or tweaking this or that.

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