

1. How do you copy a file named "report.pdf" from your home directory to a folder called "documents"?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ touch report.pdf
proxim@proxim:~$ mv report.pdf /home/proxim/Documents
proxim@proxim:~$ ls /home/proxim/Documents
newfolder  report.pdf
```

2. What is the difference between rmdir and rm -rf commands?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ rmdir removes the empty directory, whereas rm -rf removes the directory recursively and forcefully without needing to know what's inside
```

3. How do you move a file named "data.csv" from the "downloads" folder to the "projects" folder?

```
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ touch data.csv
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ cd ../
proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir projects
proxim@proxim:~$ cd Downloads/
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ mv data.csv /home/proxim/projects
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ ls
new_folder
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ ls /home/proxim/projects
data.csv
```

4. What command shows your current location in the file system?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ pwd
/home/proxim
```

5. How do you create three empty files named "log1.txt", "log2.txt", and "log3.txt" simultaneously?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ ls
1.sh      Desktop   dir2      Downloads  haha.sh  log1.txt  log.txt    newfile.txt  newzip.zip  projects  sort_example.txt  temp.txt
2002     dir1      dir3      file.log   hello   log2.txt  missile.txt  newname.txt  num_sort.txt  Public   sort_ex.html   Videos
dbda_25  dir11     Documents  fire.sh   linux   log3.txt  Music      newww       Pictures   snap      Templates  without5lines.txt
```

6. How do you change a directory name from "old \_project" to "new \_project"?

```
proxim@proxim: $ mkdir oldproject
proxim@proxim: $ mv oldproject newproject
proxim@proxim: $ ls
1.sh      Desktop   dir2      Downloads  haha.sh  log1.txt  log.txt    newfile.txt  newzip.zip  projects  sort_example.txt  temp.txt
2002     dir1      dir3      file.log   hello   log2.txt  missile.txt  newname.txt  num_sort.txt  Public   sort_ex.html   Videos
dbda_25  dir11     Documents  fire.sh   linux   log3.txt  Music      newproject  newww       Pictures   snap      Templates  without5lines.txt
```

7. How do you delete a file named "temp.log" without any confirmation prompt?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ touch temp.log
proxim@proxim:~$ rm -rf temp.log
proxim@proxim:~$ ls
1.sh      Desktop  dir2      Downloads  haha.sh  log1.txt  log.txt    newfile.txt  newww      Pictures  snap      Templates  without5lines.txt
2002     dir1      dir3      file.log   hellio   log2.txt  missile.txt  newname.txt  newzip.zip  projects  sort_example.txt  temp.txt
dbda_25  dir11     Documents  fire.sh   linux    log3.txt  Music      newproject  num_sort.txt  Public    sort_ex.html   Videos
```

8. Display your current directory path using a command.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ pwd
/home/proxim
```

9. Show directory contents with file sizes in human-readable format (KB, MB, GB).

```

proxim@proxim:~$ ls -lh
total 132K
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 29 2025 2002
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 dbda_25
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 Desktop
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 29 2025 dir1
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 dir11
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 29 2025 dir2
drwxrwxr-x+ 3 proxim proxim 4.0K Mar 14 17:00 dir3
drwxrwxr-x+ 3 proxim proxim 4.0K Mar 15 07:35 Documents
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Mar 15 07:39 Downloads
-rw-rwx---+ 1 proxim proxim 33 Mar 14 18:58 file.log
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 26 Aug 29 2025 fire.sh
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 70 Mar 15 06:49 haha.sh
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 helllo
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Mar 14 17:00 linux
-rw-rw---- 1 proxim proxim 0 Mar 15 07:41 log1.txt
-rw-rw---- 1 proxim proxim 0 Mar 15 07:41 log2.txt
-rw-rw---- 1 proxim proxim 0 Mar 15 07:41 log3.txt
-rw-rwx---+ 1 proxim proxim 34 Mar 14 19:01 log.txt
-rwxrwxrwx+ 1 proxim proxim 314 Mar 14 15:26 missile.txt
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 Music
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 3.1K Aug 29 2025 newfile.txt
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 0 Mar 14 19:05 newname.txt
drwxrwx--- 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Mar 15 07:42 newproject
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 29 2025 newww
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 4.5K Aug 29 2025 newzip.zip
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 44 Aug 29 2025 num_sort.txt
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 Pictures
drwxrwx--- 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Mar 15 07:39 projects
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 Public
drwxrwx---+ 5 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 29 2025 snap
-rwxrwxrwx+ 1 temp_user dbda_2025 39 Aug 29 2025 sort_example.txt
-rw-rwxr---+ 1 proxim proxim 0 Aug 29 2025 sort_ex.html
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 Templates
-r--r-----+ 1 proxim dbda_2025 54 Mar 14 19:03 temp.txt
drwxrwxr-x+ 2 proxim proxim 4.0K Aug 28 2025 Videos
-rw-rwx---+ 1 proxim proxim 3.1K Mar 14 15:09 without5lines.txt

```

10. Explain the meaning of the first character in file permissions (d, -, l) when using ls -l.

The first character indicates the file type: d for a directory, - for a regular file, and l for a symbolic link.

11. List all files including those starting with a dot (.) in the "/etc" directory.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -a /etc
.
..
adduser.conf
alternatives
anacrontab
apg.conf
apm
apparmor
apparmor.d
apport
apt
avahi
bash.bashrc
bash_completion
bash_completion.d
bindresport.blacklist
blinfmt.d
bluetooth
brlapi.key
brltty
ca-certificates
ca-certificates.conf
chatscripts
cloud
colord
console-setup
cracklib
credstore
credstore.encrypted
cron.d
cron.daily
cron.hourly
cron.monthly
cron.tab
cron.weekly
cron.yearly
cups
cupshelpers
dbus-1
dconf
debconf.conf
debian_version
debuginfod
default
deluser.conf
depmod.d
dhcp
dhpcd.conf
dictionaries-common
dpkg
e2scrub.conf
emacs
environment
environment.d
ethertypes
flash-kernel
fonts
fprintd.conf
fstab
fuse.conf
fwupd
gai.conf
gdb
geoclue
ghostscript
gnome
gnome-remote-desktop
gnutls
groff
group
grub.d
gshadow
gshadow-
gtk-2.0
gtk-3.0
hosts
hosts.allow
hosts.deny
hp
ifplugd
init
init.d
initramfs
initramfs-tools
inputrc
inserv.conf.d
ipp-usb
issue
issue.net
kernel
krb5.conf.d
ld
ld.so.cache
ld.so.conf
ld.so.conf.d
legal
libaudit.conf
libblkdev
libibverbs.d
libnl-3
locale.alias
locale.conf
locale.gen
logcheck
login.defs
logrotate.conf
logrotate.d
lsb-release
machine-id
magic
magic.mime
manpath.config
mine.types
mke2fs.conf
ModemManager
modules
modules-load.d
mtab
nanorc
netconfig
netplan
network
networkd-dispatcher
NetworkManager
networks
newt
nftables.conf
nsswitch.conf
openvpn
opt
os-release
PackageKit
pam.conf
pam.d
paperspecs
passwd-
pcmcia
perl
pki
plymouth
pm
pm2ppa.conf
polkit-1
ppp
profile
profile.d
protocols
pulse
modules
modules-load.d
python3
python3.13
rc0.d
rc1.d
rc2.d
rc3.d
rc4.d
rc5.d
rc6.d
rcs.d
resolv.conf
.resolv.conf.systemd-resolved.bak
rmt
rpc
rsyslog.conf
rsyslog.d
rygel.conf
sane.d
security
selinux
sensors3.conf
sensors.d
services
sgml
shadow
shadows
shells
skel
snmp
speech-dispatcher
ssh
ssl
ssd
subgid
subuid
subuid
sudo.conf
sudoers
sudoers.d
sudo_logsvrd.conf
supercat
sysctl.d
sysstat
systemd
terminfo
timezone
tmpfiles.d
ubuntu-advantage
ucf.conf
udev
udisks2
ufw
.updated
updatedb.conf
update-manager
update-notd.d
update-notifier
UPower
usb_modeswitch.conf
usb_modeswitch.d
vconsole.conf
vim
vtrgb
vulkan
wgetrc
wpa_supplicant
X11
xattr.conf
xdg
xml
zsh_command_not_found
```

12. Show only files that start with a dot in your home directory.

```
proxim@proxim:/home$ ls -a
.  ..  proxim  stupid_user  temp_user
```

13. Create a directory structure "workspace/projects/web/frontend" in a single command.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir -p /home/proxim/workspace/projects/web/frontend
proxim@proxim:~$ tree workspace
workspace
└── projects
    └── web
        └── frontend
```

14. Create the following nested structure in one command:

```
company/
├── departments/
│   ├── hr/
│   ├── finance/
│   └── tech/
└── employees/
    ├── active/
    └── former/
```

```

proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir -p company/{departments/{hr,finance,tech},employees/{active,former}}
proxim@proxim:~$ tree company
company
└── departments
    ├── finance
    │   └── hr
    └── tech
        └── active
            └── former

```

15. Create a directory named "test\_dir", then remove it and verify it's gone.

```

proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir testdir
proxim@proxim:~$ ls
1.sh      dbda_25  dir11  Documents  find_manual.txt  hello    log2.txt  missile.txt  newname.txt  newzip.zip  projects  sort_example.txt  temp.txt  without5lines.txt
2002     Desktop  dir12  Downloads  fire.sh       linux   log3.txt  Music       newproject  num_sort.txt  Public    sort_ex.html    testdir   workspace
company  dir1   dir3   file.log   haha.sh     log1.txt  log.txt   newfile.txt  newwww    Pictures   snap      Templates   Videos
proxim@proxim:~$ rm -r testdir
proxim@proxim:~$ ls
1.sh      dbda_25  dir11  Documents  find_manual.txt  hello    log2.txt  missile.txt  newname.txt  newzip.zip  projects  sort_example.txt  temp.txt      workspace
2002     Desktop  dir2   Downloads  fire.sh       linux   log3.txt  Music       newproject  num_sort.txt  Public    sort_ex.html    Videos
company  dir1   dir3   file.log   haha.sh     log1.txt  log.txt   newfile.txt  newwww    Pictures   snap      Templates   without5lines.txt

```

16. Save the manual page of the find command to a file named "find \_manual.txt".

```

proxim@proxim:~$ man find > find_manual.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ cat find_manual.txt
FIND(1)                                         General Commands Manual                                         FIND(1)

NAME
    find - search for files in a directory hierarchy

SYNOPSIS
    find [-H] [-L] [-P] [-D debugopts] [-Olevel] [starting-point...] [expression]

DESCRIPTION
    This manual page documents the GNU version of find.  GNU find searches the directory tree rooted at each given starting-point by evaluating the given expression from left to right, according to the rules of precedence (see section OPERATORS), until the outcome is known (the left hand side is false for and operations, true for or), at which point find moves on to the next file name.  If no starting-point is specified, `.' is assumed.

```

17. Display the first 15 lines and last 8 lines of "find \_manual.txt".

```

proxim@proxim:~$ head -n 15 "find_manual.txt" && tail -n 8 "find_manual.txt"
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    If you are using find in an environment where security is important (for example if you are using it to search directories that are writable by other users), you should read the 'Security Considerations' chapter of the findutils documentation, which is called Finding Files and comes with findutils.  That document also includes a lot more detail and discussion than this manual page.

SEE ALSO
    chmod(1), locate(1), ls(1), updatedb(1), xargs(1), lstat(2), stat(2), ctime(3), fnmatch(3), printf(3), strftime(3), locatedb(5), regex(7)

    Full documentation <https://www.gnu.org/software/findutils/find>
    or available locally via: info find

```

18. Copy "find\_manual.txt" to a folder named "manuals" and rename the copy to "find\_help.txt".

```

proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir -p /home/proxim/manuals
proxim@proxim:~$ cp find_manual.txt /home/proxim/manuals/find_help.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ls /home/proxim/manuals/
ls: cannot access '/home/proxim/manuals/': No such file or directory
proxim@proxim:~$ ls /home/proxim/manuals/
find_help.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ 

```

19. Count the total lines, words, and characters in "find\_manual.txt".

```

proxim@proxim:~$ wc find_manual.txt
1139 12019 82834 find_manual.txt

```

20. Show your last 15 executed commands.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ history 15
454 ls home/proxim/manuals/
455 ls /home/proxim/manuals/
456 vim 7.sh
457 bash 7.sh
458 cat 7.sh
459 vim 7.sh
460 bash 7.sh
461 vim 7.sh
462 bash 7.sh
463 vim 7.sh
464 chmod +x 7.sh
465 bash 7.sh
466 bash 7.sh 1 5
467 wc find_manual.txt
468 history 15
```

21. Create a tar.gz archive of your home directory's Documents folder.

```
proxim@proxim: $ tar -czvf documents_archive.tar.gz ~/Documents
tar: Removing leading '/' from member names
/home/proxim/Documents/
/home/proxim/Documents/newFolder/
/home/proxim/Documents/newFolder/copy.txt
/home/proxim/Documents/newFolder/cy.txt
/home/proxim/Documents/report.pdf
proxim@proxim: $ ls
1.sh 9.sh  Desktop dir2      documents_archive.tar.gz  find_manual.txt  hello    log2.txt  manuals   newfile.txt  newwww    Pictures    snap     Templates  without5lines.txt
2002 company  dir1  dir3      Downloads   fire.sh    Linux    log3.txt  missile.txt  newname.txt  newzip.zip  projects   sort_example.txt  temp.txt  workspace
7.sh  dhals 25  dir11  Documents file.log   haha.sh   log1.txt  log.txt    Music    newproject  num sort.txt  Public    sort ex.html  Videos
```

22. Create a zip archive of your Desktop folder and list its contents without extracting.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ zip -r desktop_archive.zip ~/Desktop
adding: home/proxim/Desktop/ (stored 0%)
proxim@proxim:~$ unzip -l desktop_archive.zip
Archive: desktop_archive.zip
      Length      Date      Time      Name
----- -----
          0  2025-08-28 17:09  home/proxim/Desktop/
----- -----
          0                               1 file
```

23. Set permissions for "script.sh" to be readable, writable, and executable by owner only.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ touch script.sh
proxim@proxim:~$ sudo chmod 777 script.sh
[sudo] password for proxim:
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l script.sh
-rwxrwxrwx 1 proxim proxim 0 Sep  1 17:30 script.sh
```

24. Change the owner of "database.txt" to user "admin".

```
proxim@proxim:~$ sudo chown admin database.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l database.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 admin proxim 0 Sep 1 17:32 database.txt
```

25. Display currently running processes in your terminal, all system processes, and sort processes by CPU usage.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ ps aux --sort=-%cpu
USER          PID %CPU %MEM    VSZ   RSS TTY      STAT START  TIME COMMAND
proxim        3889  200  0.2 11960  3832 pts/0      R+ 17:37  0:00 ps aux --sort=-%cpu
proxim        1977   2.5 25.4 4119740 426712 ?      Ssl 15:44  2:52 /usr/bin/gnome-shell
proxim        1743   0.2  0.9 214664 16168 ?      S<sl 15:44  0:14 /usr/bin/pipewire
proxim        2746   0.1  3.5 719036 59064 ?      Ssl 15:44  0:11 /usr/libexec/gnome-terminal-server
systemd+     296    0.0  0.4 17596  6748 ?      Ss 15:43  0:04 /usr/lib/systemd/systemd-oomd
proxim        2089   0.0  0.5 388924  9132 ?      Ssl 15:44  0:03 /usr/bin/ibus-daemon --panel disable
proxim        1748   0.0  1.0 488736 16836 ?      S<sl 15:44  0:02 /usr/bin/wireplumber
root         798    0.0  1.9 1847700 32264 ?      Ssl 15:43  0:02 /usr/lib/snapd/snapd
```

26. Show the current date/time and display the calendar for the current month.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ date; cal
Mon Sep 1 05:38:55 PM IST 2025
September 2025
Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa
      1  2  3  4  5  6
  7  8  9 10 11 12 13
14 15 16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24 25 26 27
28 29 30
```

27. Set the system date to January 15th, 2025, 2:30 PM.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ sudo date 011514302025
Wed Jan 15 02:30:00 PM IST 2025
```

28. Research and explain these commands: uptime, df, du, free.

- These commands are for monitoring system resources.
  - **uptime** shows how long the system has been running and its load.
  - **df** reports disk free space across all drives, while **du** checks the disk usage of specific folders.
  - **free** displays available memory (RAM).

29. Create a directory "linux\_lab", navigate into it, create "permissions\_test.txt", check its

default permissions, modify umask to 022, create "new\_permissions\_test.txt", and compare their permissions.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir linux_lab
proxim@proxim:~$ cd linux
proxim@proxim:~/linux$ cd ../
proxim@proxim: $ cd linux_lab
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ touch permissions_test.txt
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ echo "---Initial Permission---"
---Initial Permission---
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ ls -l
total 0
-rw-rw-r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Jan 15 16:00 permissions_test.txt
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ umask 022
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ touch new_permissions_test.txt
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ echo "---Comparint All Permissions---"
---Comparint All Permissions---
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ ls -l
total 0
-rw-r--r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Jan 15 16:01 new_permissions_test.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Jan 15 16:00 permissions_test.txt
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab$ mkdir linux_lab && cd linux_lab
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ touch permissions_test.txt
ls -l permissions_test.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Jan 15 16:02 permissions_test.txt
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ umask 022
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ touch new_permissions_test.txt
ls -l
total 0
-rw-r--r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Jan 15 16:02 new_permissions_test.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Jan 15 16:02 permissions_test.txt
```

30. Create "source.txt" and make a symbolic link named "sym\_link.txt" pointing to it.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ echo "This is the original file's content." > original.txt
ln original.txt hard_copy.txt
```

31. Create "source.txt" and make a symbolic link named "sym\_link.txt" pointing to it.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ echo "This is the original source file." > source.txt
ln -s source.txt sym_link.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ln -ls sym_link.txt
ln: invalid option -- 'l'
Try 'ln --help' for more information.
proxim@proxim:~$ ln -l sym_link.txt
ln: invalid option -- 'l'
Try 'ln --help' for more information.
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l sym_link.txt
lrwxrwxrwx 1 proxim proxim 10 Jan 15 16:20 sym_link.txt -> source.txt
```

32. Copy the entire "projects" directory from a remote server to your local "Downloads"

folder using SCP.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir -p ~/practice_files/projects && touch ~/practice_files/projects/file.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ scp -r $USER@localhost:~/practice_files/projects ~/Downloads/
The authenticity of host 'localhost (127.0.0.1)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:E2ySmH3reyU3Qa9+jTl6Lk5pl+mw3yeKaqTLrNqIC8k.
This key is not known by any other names.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])?
Host key verification failed.
scp: Connection closed
proxim@proxim:~$ scp -r $USER@localhost:~/practice_files/projects ~/Downloads/
The authenticity of host 'localhost (127.0.0.1)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:E2ySmH3reyU3Qa9+jTl6Lk5pl+mw3yeKaqTLrNqIC8k.
This key is not known by any other names.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])?
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scp: Connection closed
proxim@proxim:~$ scp -r $USER@localhost:~/practice_files/projects ~/Downloads/
The authenticity of host 'localhost (127.0.0.1)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:E2ySmH3reyU3Qa9+jTl6Lk5pl+mw3yeKaqTLrNqIC8k.
This key is not known by any other names.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'localhost' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
proxim@localhost's password:
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l ~/Downloads/
total 8
-rw-rwxr-- 1 proxim proxim 67 Aug 29 02:29 new_folder
drwxrwxr-x 2 proxim proxim 4096 Sep 1 23:48 projects
```

33. Download files from a public FTP server like ftp.gnu.org using command line FTP client.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ wget https://ftp.debian.org/debian/README
--2025-09-01 23:59:36-- https://ftp.debian.org/debian/README
Resolving ftp.debian.org (ftp.debian.org)... 167.82.58.132, 167.82.62.132, 2a04:4e42:fea::644, ...
Connecting to ftp.debian.org (ftp.debian.org)|167.82.58.132|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 1193 (1.2K)
Saving to: 'README'

 README                                              [=====>]  1.17K  ---KB/s   in 0s

2025-09-01 23:59:36 (20.3 MB/s) - 'README' saved [1193/1193]
```

36. . How do you remove a directory named "old \_data" containing files and subdirectories?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir old_data
proxim@proxim:~$ cd old_data
proxim@proxim:~/old_data$ mkdir file.txt
proxim@proxim:~/old_data$ rmdir file.txt
proxim@proxim:~/old_data$ mkdir files
proxim@proxim:~/old_data$ cd files
proxim@proxim:~/old_data/files$ touch mobile.txt
proxim@proxim:~/old_data/files$ cd ..
proxim@proxim:~/old_data$ cd ../
proxim@proxim:~$ tree old_data
old_data
└── files
    └── mobile.txt

2 directories, 1 file
proxim@proxim:~$ rm -rf old_data
proxim@proxim:~$ cd old_data
bash: cd: old_data: No such file or directory
```

37.List all files in "/var/log" showing detailed information including hidden files.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -la /var/log
total 2472
drwxrwxr-x 16 root          syslog      4096 Sep  1 15:53 .
drwxr-xr-x 14 root          root        4096 Aug 28 17:09 ..
-rw-r--r--  1 root          root        0 Mar 15 2024 alternatives.log
-rw-r--r--  1 root          root      27750 Mar 14 2024 alternatives.log.1
-rw-r----- 1 root          adm         0 Aug 28 17:09 apport.log
drwxr-xr-x  2 root          root      4096 Sep  1 23:45 apt
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm        22083 Sep  1 23:59 auth.log
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm       60499 Sep  1 15:45 auth.log.1
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm      11163 Mar 15 2024 auth.log.2.gz
-rw-----  1 root          root        0 Sep  1 15:53 boot.log
-rw-----  1 root          root      14087 Sep  1 15:53 boot.log.1
-rw-----  1 root          root      38350 Mar 15 2024 boot.log.2
-rw-r--r--  1 root          root      116619 Apr 15 22:50 bootstrap.log
-rw-rw---- 1 root          utmp        0 Sep  1 15:53 btmp
-rw-rw---- 1 root          utmp      1600 Sep  1 15:44 btmp.1
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm      103415 Aug 28 17:10 cloud-init.log
-rw-r----- 1 root          adm      4279 Aug 28 17:10 cloud-init-output.log
drwxr-xr-x  2 root          root      4096 Sep  1 15:53 cups
drwxr-xr-x  2 cups-browsed lpadmin   4096 Apr 15 23:13 cups-browsed
drwxr-xr-x  2 root          root      4096 Apr  7 21:46 dist-upgrade
-rw-r----- 1 root          adm      46414 Sep  1 15:43 dmesg
-rw-r----- 1 root          adm      43458 Aug 29 15:57 dmesg.0
-rw-r----- 1 root          adm      12716 Aug 28 23:05 dmesg.1.gz
-rw-r----- 1 root          adm      12954 Aug 28 17:09 dmesg.2.gz
-rw-r--r--  1 root          root      2674 Sep  1 23:45 dpkg.log
-rw-r--r--  1 root          root      952838 Mar 14 2024 dpkg.log.1
-rw-r--r--  1 root          root      4706 Apr 15 23:36 fontconfig.log
drwx--x--x  2 root          gdm      4096 Aug 28 17:09 gdm3
drwxr-xr-x  3 root          root      4096 Apr 15 23:09 hp
drwxrwx---  4 root          adm      4096 Aug 28 16:08 installer
drwxr-sr-x+ 3 root          systemd-journal 4096 Aug 28 17:09 journal
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm      663 Sep  1 23:45 kern.log
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm     51272 Sep  1 15:53 kern.log.1
-rw-r----- 1 syslog         adm      37006 Mar 15 2024 kern.log.2.gz
```

38. Create a file named "config.txt" in the path "/opt/myapp/config/" using command line.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ sudo mkdir -p /opt/myapp/config && sudo touch /opt/myapp/config/config.txt
[sudo] password for proxim:
proxim@proxim:~$ ls /opt/myapp/config/
config.txt
```

39. Search for the word "error" in all ".log" files within the current directory and subdirectories.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ grep -r --include="*.log" "error" .
./file.log:error
./file.log:error
./file.log:error
./file.log:error
```

40. Create a directory "myproject" with permissions 755 (rwxr-xr-x).

```
proxim@proxim:~$ rmdir myproject
proxim@proxim:~$ mkdir myproject && chmod 755 myproject
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l myproject
total 0
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -ld myproject
drwxr-xr-x 2 proxim proxim 4096 Sep  2 00:09 myproject
```

41.. Create a compressed tar archive named "backup.tar.gz" containing all files and subdirectories in "/home/user/documents".

```
proxim@proxim:~$ tar -czvf backup.tar.gz /home/proxim/Documents
tar: Removing leading '/' from member names
/home/proxim/Documents/
/home/proxim/Documents/newfolder/
/home/proxim/Documents/newfolder/copy.txt
/home/proxim/Documents/newfolder/cy.txt
/home/proxim/Documents/report.pdf
```

42. Give read and write permissions to owner and group, but only read permission to others for "shared.txt".

```
proxim@proxim:~$ touch shared.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ sudo chmod 664 shared.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l shared.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Sep  2 00:14 shared.txt
```

43. Find the size of "video.mp4" and display it in human-readable format (MB/GB).

```
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ ls -lh video.mp4
-rw-rw-r-- 1 proxim proxim 7.3M Sep  2 00:17 video.mp4
```

44. Find all files in "/home" and subdirectories that were modified in the last 7 days.

```
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ find /home -type f -mtime -7
find: '/home/temp_user': Permission denied
/home/proxim/manuals/find_help.txt
/home/proxim/practice_files/projects/file.txt
/home/proxim/.sudo_as_admin_successful
/home/proxim/.bash_history
/home/proxim/Documents/newfolder/copy.txt
/home/proxim/Documents/newfolder/cy.txt
/home/proxim/newzip.zip
/home/proxim/7.sh
/home/proxim/dir2/dbda_hi.sh
/home/proxim/dir2/dbda_f1.sh
/home/proxim/config.txt
/home/proxim/.config/.gsd-keyboard.settings-ported
/home/proxim/.config/pulse/cookie
/home/proxim/.config/xdg-terminals.list
/home/proxim/.config/ibus/bus/dcf611fb461e49b48e8caa583e77ccfe-unix-0
/home/proxim/.config/ibus/bus/dcf611fb461e49b48e8caa583e77ccfe-unix-wayland-0
/home/proxim/.config/gnome-xdg-terminals.list
/home/proxim/.config/user-dirs.dirs
/home/proxim/.config/user-dirs.locale
/home/proxim/.config/dconf/user
/home/proxim/.config/gnome-initial-setup-done
/home/proxim/.config/ubuntu-xdg-terminals.list
/home/proxim/.config/gtk-3.0/bookmarks
/home/proxim/.config/evolution/sources/system-proxy.source
/home/proxim/database.txt
/home/proxim/linux/f23.txt
```

45. Compare "version1.txt" and "version2.txt" and show only the differences.

```
proxim@proxim:~/Downloads$ diff version1.txt version2.txt
1,4c1,3
< hello this is the version1 text file
< name = Elon Musk
< age = 59
<
---
> hello this is a version2 file
> name = shubham raut
> age = 23
```

46. Synchronize "/home/user/photos" with "/backup/photos" preserving all file attributes.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ rsync -av /home/proxim/photos/ /home/proxim/backup/photos/
sending incremental file list
./

sent 59 bytes  received 19 bytes  156.00 bytes/sec
total size is 0  speedup is 0.00
```

47. . Extract characters 10-25 from each line in "data.txt".

```
proxim@proxim:~$ cut -c 10-25 data.txt
um is simply dum
Lorem Ipsum has
since the 1500s
nd scrambled it
not only five ce
ng, remaining es
with the releas
sages, and more
like Aldus PageM
```

48. Extract only the file "readme.txt" from "archive.tar.gz" without extracting the entire archive.

```
proxim@proxim:~$ tar -czvf archive.tar.gz logs
logs/
logs/log2.txt
logs/readme.txt
logs/log1.txt
logs/archive.tar.gz
proxim@proxim:~$ tar -xzvf archive.tar.gz logs/readme.txt
logs/readme.txt
```

49. Count how many times the word "function" appears in "[script.js](#)".

```
proxim@proxim:~$ grep -o -w "function" script.js | wc -l
10
proxim@proxim:~$
```

52. . How do you monitor real-time changes to a log file named "application.log"?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ vim application.log
proxim@proxim:~$ tail -F application.log
[2025-09-01 23:30:20] [INFO] POST /api/v1/cart - Response sent with status 201 Created.
[2025-09-01 23:30:22] [INFO] POST /api/v1/login - Request received from 203.0.113.88.
[2025-09-01 23:30:22] [DEBUG] Attempting to authenticate user: charlie.
[2025-09-01 23:30:22] [DEBUG] Database query executed in 48ms: SELECT * FROM users WHERE username='charlie'.
[2025-09-01 23:30:22] [INFO] User 'charlie' authenticated successfully. UserID: 103.
[2025-09-01 23:30:22] [INFO] POST /api/v1/login - Response sent with status 200 OK.
[2025-09-01 23:30:23] [ERROR] Failed to connect to payment gateway: Connection timed out. Service: PayPal.
[2025-09-01 23:30:23] [INFO] POST /api/v1/checkout - Request received from 172.16.0.14.
[2025-09-01 23:30:23] [WARN] Payment gateway service is timing out. Retrying in 5s.
[2025-09-01 23:30:25] [INFO] GET /api/
```

53. How do you find all files larger than 100MB in your entire file system?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ find / -type f -size +100M 2>/dev/null
/swap.img
/snap/gnome-42-2204/201/usr/lib/aarch64-linux-gnu/libLLVM-15.so.1
/snap/firefox/6039/usr/lib/firefox/libxul.so
/snap/firefox/6736/usr/lib/firefox/libxul.so
/proc/kcore
/usr/lib/aarch64-linux-gnu/libLLVM.so.19.1
/usr/lib/aarch64-linux-gnu/libLLVM-18.so.1
/var/lib/snapd/snaps/firefox_6039.snap
/var/lib/snapd/snaps/gnome-42-2204_201.snap
/var/lib/snapd/snaps/firefox_6736.snap
/var/lib/snapd/seed/snaps/firefox_6039.snap
/var/lib/snapd/seed/snaps/gnome-42-2204_201.snap
```

54. How do you create a file with specific content using command line without opening an editor?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ echo "This is the content of the file." > filename.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ cat
^C
proxim@proxim:~$ cat filename.txt
This is the content of the file.
```

55. How do you compress a directory using gzip and preserve the original?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ tar -czvf Documents.tar.gz Documents/
Documents/
Documents/newfolder/
Documents/newfolder/copy.txt
Documents/newfolder/cy.txt
Documents/report.pdf
```

56. How do you find all files owned by user "john" in the "/home" directory?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ sudo find /home -user john -ls
539493 4 drwxr-x--- 4 john john 4096 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john
539495 4 -rw-r--r-- 1 john john 3771 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john/.bashrc
539507 4 drwx----- 4 john john 4096 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john/snap
539512 4 drwxr-xr-x 4 john john 4096 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john/snap/prompting-client
539514 4 drwxr-xr-x 3 john john 4096 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john/snap/prompting-client/common
539523 4 drwxrwxr-x 4 john john 4096 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john/snap/prompting-client/common/.cache
539585 4 drwxrwxr-x 2 john john 4096 Sep 2 00:49 /home/john/snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules
```

57. How do you schedule a command to run every day at 9 AM using cron?

```
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ crontab -l
# My daily report job
0 9 * * * /home/proxim/daily_report.sh
```

58. How do you check disk usage of the current directory and sort by size?

```
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ du -h --max-depth=1 | sort -rh
8.0K  .
```

59. How do you find and kill a process by name?

```
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ ps
  PID TTY      TIME CMD
 2753 pts/0    00:00:00 bash
 10191 pts/0    00:00:00 ps
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ kill 10191
bash: kill: (10191) - No such process
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ kill 2753
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$
```

60. How do you create a symbolic link that points to a directory instead of a file?

```
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ ls
hard_copy.txt new_permissions_test.txt original.txt permissions_test.txt project_files
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ mv hard_copy.txt new_permissions_test.txt project_files/
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ ln -s /home/proxim/project_files current_project
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ ln -la current_project
ln: invalid option -- 'l'
Try 'ln --help' for more information.
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ ls -l current_project
lrwxrwxrwx 1 proxim proxim 26 Sep  2 01:12 current_project -> /home/proxim/project_files
```

61. How do you find all executable files in your PATH?

```
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ cat exec_files.sh
IFS=":"
for dir in $PATH; do
    find "$dir" -maxdepth 1 -type f -executable
done
proxim@proxim:~/linux_lab/linux_lab$ bash exec_files.sh
/usr/sbin/dump.exfat
/usr/sbin/pivot_root
/usr/sbin/pam_namespace_helper
/usr/sbin/resize2fs
/usr/sbin/grub-probe
/usr/sbin/biotop-bpfcc
/usr/sbin/cfdisk
/usr/sbin/alsa-info
/usr/sbin/nfnl_osf
/usr/sbin/groupmod
/usr/sbin/ldattach
/usr/sbin/syncsnoop.bt
/usr/sbin/tcptraceroute.db
/usr/sbin/offwaketime-bpfcc
/usr/sbin/update-fonts-dir
```

62. . How do you merge two sorted files into one sorted file?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ sort -m file1.txt file2.txt > merged_file.txt  
proxim@proxim:~$ cat merged_file.txt
```

this is the file 1 text  
this is the file 2 text

63. How do you display only unique lines from a file that contains duplicates?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ sort merged_file.txt | uniq
```

this is the file 1 text  
this is the file 2 text

64. How do you monitor system resource usage in real-time?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ htop
```

System Resource Usage Monitor									
CPU		Memory		Swap		Filesystem		Network	
Process	User	Priority	Virtual	Resident	Shared	Swap	Mount	IP	Port
10564 proxim	20	0	11524	4732	2812	R	2.6 0.3	0:00.34	htop
2010 proxim	20	0	4055M	260M	0	S	2.0 15.9	4:28.69	/usr/bin/gnome-shell
2011 proxim	20	0	4055M	260M	0	S	2.0 15.9	4:33.57	/usr/bin/gnome-shell
808 root	20	0	18408	5152	4608	S	0.7 0.3	0:01.45	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-logind
1977 proxim	20	0	4045M	260M	57436	S	0.7 15.9	3:22.33	/usr/bin/gnome-shell
2015 proxim	20	0	4055M	260M	0	S	0.7 15.9	0:06.11	/usr/bin/gnome-shell
2746 proxim	20	0	720M	56956	41424	S	0.7 3.4	0:54.24	/usr/libexec/gnome-terminal-server
1 root	20	0	25260	9212	5756	S	0.0 0.5	0:06.37	/sbin/init splash
284 root	19	-1	67328	13824	13056	S	0.0 0.8	0:02.32	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-journald
296 systemd-oo	20	0	17764	2524	2268	S	0.0 0.2	0:13.46	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-oomd
341 systemd-re	20	0	23256	4396	3372	S	0.0 0.3	0:01.39	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-resolved
342 systemd-ti	20	0	91256	2480	2352	S	0.0 0.1	0:00.66	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-timesyncd
350 root	20	0	38696	4172	3276	S	0.0 0.2	0:00.40	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-udevd
352 systemd-ti	20	0	91256	2480	0	S	0.0 0.1	0:00.03	/usr/lib/systemd/systemd-timesyncd
782 avahi	20	0	6568	1800	1544	S	0.0 0.1	0:00.85	avahi-daemon: running [proxim.local]
783 messagebus	20	0	11900	4620	1844	S	0.0 0.2	0:02.74	@dbus-daemon --system --address=systemd: --nofork --nopidfile --systemd-activation --system
788 gnome-remo	20	0	511M	3844	3716	S	0.0 0.2	0:00.00	/usr/libexec/gnome-remote-desktop-daemon --system
793 polkitd	20	0	308M	168	4416	S	0.0 0.4	0:00.22	/usr/lib/polkit/polkitd --debug --log-level=notice

65. . How do you find files that are exactly 0 bytes (empty files)?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ find . -type f -size 0
./practice_files/projects/file.txt
./.sudo_as_admin_successful
./projects/data.csv
./Documents/report.pdf
./newname.txt
./log3.txt
./dir2/dbda_hi.sh
./config.txt
./.config/.gsd-keyboard.settings-ported
./database.txt
./linux/file1.txt
```

66. How do you change file timestamps without modifying content?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ vim report.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ touch -t 202410261030 report.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ touch -m report.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ touch -a report.txt
```

67. How do you create a file that can only be read by the owner and no one else?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ touch myprivatefile.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ chmod 400 myprivatefile.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l myprivatefile.txt
-r----- 1 proxim proxim 0 Sep  2 01:23 myprivatefile.txt
```

68. How do you find broken symbolic links in a directory?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ find . -xtype l
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-ibus.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-ti-er.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-inuktitut.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-wayland.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-ipa.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-cyrillic-translit.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-fcitr.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-am-et.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-viqr.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-thai.so
./snap/prompting-client/common/.cache/immodules/im-broadway.so
```

69. How do you copy files while preserving their original timestamps?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ touch newfile.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ cp -p config.txt newfile.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l config.txt new
ls: cannot access 'new': No such file or directory
-rw-rw-r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Sep  2 00:04 config.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ ls -l config.txt newfile.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 proxim proxim 0 Sep  2 00:04 config.txt
-rw-rw-r--+ 1 proxim proxim 0 Sep  2 00:04 newfile.txt
```

70. How do you display the last 50 lines of a log file and continue monitoring new additions?

```
proxim@proxim:~$ vim logfile.txt
proxim@proxim:~$ mv logfile.txt logfile.log
proxim@proxim:~$ tail -n 100 -f logfile.log
2025-09-02 10:00:33 INFO: New user 'jane.smith' registered
2025-09-02 10:00:35 WARNING: API endpoint '/api/legacy' is deprecated and will be removed soon
2025-09-02 10:00:38 INFO: User 'jane.smith' confirmed email address
2025-09-02 10:00:40 DEBUG: Preparing report 'MonthlySales.pdf'
2025-09-02 10:00:43 INFO: Report 'MonthlySales.pdf' generated successfully
2025-09-02 10:00:45 ERROR: File 'config.json' not found in expected directory
2025-09-02 10:00:48 INFO: Scheduled task 'CleanupTempFiles' started
2025-09-02 10:00:50 DEBUG: Deleting 12 files from /temp directory
2025-09-02 10:00:52 INFO: Scheduled task 'CleanupTempFiles' finished
2025-09-02 10:00:55 WARNING: CPU usage is at 95% for the last 30 seconds
2025-09-02 10:00:58 INFO: User 'guest' clicked on advertisement 'Ad_001'
2025-09-02 10:01:01 DEBUG: Sending email to 'jane.smith'
2025-09-02 10:01:03 INFO: Email sent successfully to 'jane.smith'
2025-09-02 10:01:05 INFO: User 'admin' updated product ID 'P-456'
2025-09-02 10:01:08 ERROR: Invalid input for field 'quantity' in order 'ORD-987'
2025-09-02 10:01:10 INFO: Processing payment for order 'ORD-987'
2025-09-02 10:01:12 DEBUG: Connecting to payment gateway 'Stripe'
2025-09-02 10:01:15 INFO: Payment for order 'ORD-987' successful
```