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## BASIC LINUX COMMANDS

## 1.1 GENERAL PURPOSE COMMANDS

## 1. The 'date' command:

The date command displays the current date with day of week, month, day, time (24 hours clock) and the year.

SYNTAX: \$ date

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%m
01

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%h
Jan

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%y
25

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%M
20

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%d
27

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%H
02

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date +%S
15

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ date
Mon Jan 27 02:21:24 AM EST 2025
```

The date command can also be used with following format.

Format	Purpose	Example
+ %m	To display only month	\$ date + %m
+ %h	To display month name	\$ date + %h
+ %d	To display day of month	\$ date + %d
+ %y	To display last two digits of the year	\$ date + %y
+ %H	To display Hours	\$ date + %H
+ %M	To display Minutes	\$ date + %M
+ %S	To display Seconds	\$ date + %S

## 2. The echo'command:

The echo command is used to print the message on the screen.

SYNTAX: `$ echo`

EXAMPLE: `$ echo "God is Great"`

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ echo "God id great"  
God id great
```

3. The 'cal' command: The cal command displays the specified month or year of the calendar

SYNTAX: `$ cal [month]`

`[year]`

EXAMPLE:

`$ cal Jan 2012`

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ cal  
January 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 31
```

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ cal june 2024  
June 2024  
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
```

4. The 'bc' command: Unix offers an online calculator and can be invoked by the command bc.

SYNTAX: `$ bc`

EXAMPLE: `bc -l`

`16/4`

`5/2`

```
bc 1.07.1
Copyright 1991-1994, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2012-2017 Free Softw
are Foundation, Inc.
This is free software with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
For details type `warranty'.
16/4
4
5/2
2
2*3
6
4+7
11
6-3
3
```

#### 5. The 'who' command

The who command is used to display the data about all the users who are currently logged into the system.

SYNTAX: \$ who

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ who
kali      tty7      2025-01-27 02:10 (:0)
```

#### 6. The 'who am i' command : The who am i command displays data about login details of the user.

SYNTAX: \$ who am i

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ whoami
kali
```

#### 7. The 'id' command :The id command displays the numerical value corresponding to your login.

SYNTAX: \$ id

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ id
uid=1000(kali) gid=1000(kali) groups=1000(kali),4(adm),20(dialout),24(cdrom),25(floppy),27(sudo),29(audio),30(dip),44(video),46(plugdev),100(users),101(netdev),106(blueetooth),113(scanner),136(wireshark),137(kaboxer)
```

#### 8. The 'tty' command : The tty (teletype) command is used to know the terminal name that we are using.

SYNTAX: \$ tty

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ tty
/dev/pts/0
```

#### 9. The 'clear' command :The clear command is used to clear the screen of your terminal.

SYNTAX: \$ clear

#### 10. The 'man' command :The man command gives you complete access to the Unix commands.

SYNTAX: \$ man [command]

```

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who(1)
NAME
  who - show who is logged on

SYNOPSIS
  who [OPTION]... [ FILE | ARG1 ARG2 ]

DESCRIPTION
  Print information about users who are currently logged in.

  -a, --all
        same as -b -d --login -p -r -t -T -u

  -b, --boot
        time of last system boot

  -d, --dead
        print dead processes

  -H, --heading
        print line of column headings

  -l, --login
        print system login processes

  --lookup
        attempt to canonicalize hostnames via DNS

  -m
        only hostname and user associated with stdin

  -p, --process
        print active processes spawned by init

  -q, --count
        all login names and number of users logged on

  -r, --runlevel
        print current runlevel

  -s, --short
        print only name, line, and time (default)

  -t, --time
        print last system clock change

  -T, -w, --msg
        log file:
  
```

## 11. The 'ps' command

The ps command is used to the process currently alive in the machine with the 'ps' (process status) command, which displays information about process that are alive when you run the command. 'ps;' produces a snapshot of machine activity.

SYNTAX: \$ ps

EXAMPLE: \$ ps

```

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ps
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
 2746 pts/0        00:00:06 zsh
14712 pts/0        00:00:00 ps
(kali@kali)-[~]

```

The screenshot shows a Kali Linux virtual machine with Wireshark open. The packet list on the left shows a TCP Reset (RST) from 10.10.10.10 to 10.10.10.10. The packet details on the right show the TCP header with RST flag set and sequence number 1000000000. The packet bytes show the raw TCP segment.

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Wireshark

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 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174 175 176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187 188 189 190 191 192 193 194 195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208 209 210 211 212 213 214 215 216 217 218 219 220 221 222 223 224 225 226 227 228 229 230 231 232 233 234 235 236 237 238 239 240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247 248 249 250 251 252 253 254 255 256 257 258 259 260 261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283 284 285 286 287 288 289 290 291 292 293 294 295 296 297 298 299 300 301 302 303 304 305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 313 314 315 316 317 318 319 320 321 322 323 324 325 326 327 328 329 330 331 332 333 334 335 336 337 338 339 340 341 342 343 344 345 346 347 348 349 350 351 352 353 354 355 356 357 358 359 360 361 362 363 364 365 366 367 368 369 370 371 372 373 374 375 376 377 378 379 380 381 382 383 384 385 386 387 388 389 390 391 392 393 394 395 396 397 398 399 400 401 402 403 404 405 406 407 408 409 410 411 412 413 414 415 416 417 418 419 420 421 422 423 424 425 426 427 428 429 430 431 432 433 434 435 436 437 438 439 440 441 442 443 444 445 446 447 448 449 450 451 452 453 454 455 456 457 458 459 460 461 462 463 464 465 466 467 468 469 470 471 472 473 474 475 476 477 478 479 480 481 482 483 484 485 486 487 488 489 490 491 492 493 494 495 496 497 498 499 500 501 502 503 504 505 506 507 508 509 510 511 512 513 514 515 516 517 518 519 520 521 522 523 524 525 526 527 528 529 530 531 532 533 534 535 536 537 538 539 540 541 542 543 544 545 546 547 548 549 550 551 552 553 554 555 556 557 558 559 560 561 562 563 564 565 566 567 568 569 570 571 572 573 574 575 576 577 578 579 580 581 582 583 584 585 586 587 588 589 590 591 592 593 594 595 596 597 598 599 600 601 602 603 604 605 606 607 608 609 610 611 612 613 614 615 616 617 618 619 620 621 622 623 624 625 626 627 628 629 630 631 632 633 634 635 636 637 638 639 640 641 642 643 644 645 646 647 648 649 650 651 652 653 654 655 656 657 658 659 660 661 662 663 664 665 666 667 668 669 670 671 672 673 674 675 676 677 678 679 680 681 682 683 684 685 686 687 688 689 690 691 692 693 694 695 696 697 698 699 700 701 702 703 704 705 706 707 708 709 710 711 712 713 714 715 716 717 718 719 720 721 722 723 724 725 726 727 728 729 730 731 732 733 734 735 736 737 738 739 740 741 742 743 744 745 746 747 748 749 750 751 752 753 754 755 756 757 758 759 760 761 762 763 764 765 766 767 768 769 770 771 772 773 774 775 776 777 778 779 780 781 782 783 784 785 786 787 788 789 790 791 792 793 794 795 796 797 798 799 800 801 802 803 804 805 806 807 808 809 810 811 812 813 814 815 816 817 818 819 820 821 822 823 824 825 826 827 828 829 830 831 832 833 834 835 836 837 838 839 840 841 842 843 844 845 846 847 848 849 850 851 852 853 854 855 856 857 858 859 860 861 862 863 864 865 866 867 868 869 870 871 872 873 874 875 876 877 878 879 880 881 882 883 884 885 886 887 888 889 890 891 892 893 894 895 896 897 898 899 900 901 902 903 904 905 906 907 908 909 910 911 912 913 914 915 916 917 918 919 920 921 922 923 924 925 926 927 928 929 930 931 932 933 934 935 936 937 938 939 940 941 942 943 944 945 946 947 948 949 950 951 952 953 954 955 956 957 958 959 960 961 962 963 964 965 966 967 968 969 970 971 972 973 974 975 976 977 978 979 980 981 982 983 984 985 986 987 988 989 990 991 992 993 994 995 996 997

The screenshot shows a Kali Linux terminal window with a dark theme. At the top, the terminal title is "kali-linux-2023-secure-kali". The terminal content displays a list of network packets captured on the interface 'eth0'. The packets are filtered for 'tcp.flags.reset' and show various reset (RST) packets from 192.168.1.1 to 192.168.1.254. The terminal also shows the command 'tcpdump -i eth0 -s 0 -w - 'tcp.flags.reset' and the output of 'tcpdump -i eth0 -s 0 -w - 'tcp.flags.reset'.

ID	Size	Source	Destination	Protocol	Time
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
26	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
27	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
29	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
31	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
32	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
34	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
35	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
36	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
37	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
38	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
39	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
40	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
41	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
42	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
43	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
44	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
45	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
46	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
47	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
48	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
50	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
51	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
52	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
53	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
54	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
55	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
56	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

The `uname` command is used to display relevant details about the operating system on the standard output.

system name)

-v > Displays the version of the operating system.

-a -> Displays the details of all the above five options.

SYNTAX: \$ uname [option]

EXAMPLE: \$ uname -a

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname
Linux
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname -m
x86_64
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname -r
6.8.11-amd64
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname -n
kali
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname -s
Linux
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname -v
#1 SMP PREEMPT_DYNAMIC Kali 6.8.11-kali2 (2024-05-30)
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ uname -a
Linux kali 6.8.11-amd64 #1 SMP PREEMPT_DYNAMIC Kali 6.8.11-kali2 (2024-05-30) x86_64 GNU/Linux
```

## 1.2 DIRECTORY COMMANDS

### 1. The 'pwd' command:

The pwd (print working directory) command displays the current working directory.

SYNTAX: \$ pwd

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ pwd
/home/kali
```

### 2. The 'mkdir' command: The mkdir is used to create an empty directory in a disk.

SYNTAX: \$ mkdir dirname

EXAMPLE: \$ mkdir receee

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ mkdir 231901037
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ mkdir reccs
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls
231901037 Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public q reccs Templates Videos
```

### 3. The 'rmdir' command:

The rmdir is used to remove a directory from the disk. Before removing a directory, the directory must be empty (no files and directories).

SYNTAX: \$ rmdir dirname

EXAMPLE: \$ rmdir reeeee

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ rmdir reccs

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls
231901037 Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public q Templates Videos
```

4. The 'cd' command: The cd command is used to move from one directory to another.

SYNTAX: \$ cd dirname

EXAMPLE: \$ cd reeeee

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ cd 231901037

(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$
```

5. The 'ls' command: The ls command displays the list of files in the current working directory.

SYNTAX: \$ ls

EXAMPLE: \$ ls

\$ ls -l

\$ ls -a

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls
231901037 Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public q reccs Templates Videos

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls -a
. .bash_logout .bashrc .bashrc.original .cache Desktop Documents .face group java .mozilla Pictures Public reccs Templates .Xauthority .zshrc
. .bash_logout .bashrc.original .config .dmrc Downloads .face.icon .ICEauthority .local Music .profile q .sudo_as_admin_successful Videos .xsession-errors
```

### 1.3 FILE HANDLING COMMANDS

1. The 'cat' command:

The cat command is used to create

a file. SYNTAX: \$ cat > filename

EXAMPLE: \$ cat > rec

2. The 'Display contents of a file' command:

The cat command is also used to view the contents of a specified file. SYNTAX:

\$ cat filename

```
(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$ cat > rec
hihi
heloo
^C
(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$ cat rec
hihi
heloo
```

3. The 'cp' command: The cp command is used to copy the contents of one file to another and copies the file from one place to another.

SYNTAX: \$ cp oldfile newfile

EXAMPLE: \$ cp cse ece

```
(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$ cp rec recce
(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$ cat recce
hihi
heloo
```

4. The 'rm' command: The rm command is used to remove or erase an existing file

SYNTAX: \$ rm filename

EXAMPLE: \$ rm rec

\$ rm -f rec

Use option -fr to delete recursively the contents of the directory and its subdirectories.

```
(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$ rm rec
(kali@kali)-[~/231901037]
$ ls
recce
```

5. The 'mv' command:

The mv command is used to move a file from one place to another. It removes a specified file from its original location and places it in specified location.

SYNTAX: \$ mv oldfile newfile

EXAMPLE: \$ mv cse eee

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ mv cse rec
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls
231901037 Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public q rec Templates Videos
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ cat rec
hihi
heloo
```

6. The 'file' command: The file command is used to determine the type of file.

SYNTAX: \$ file filename

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ file rec
rec: ASCII text
```



7. “wc command” : The wc command is used to count the number of words, lines and characters in a file.

SYNTAX: \$ wc filename

EXAMPLE: \$ wc receee

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ wc rec  
2  2 12 rec
```

8. The ‘Directing output to a file’ command:

The ls command lists the files on the terminal (screen). Using the redirection operator ‘>’ we can send the output to file instead of showing it on the screen.

SYNTAX: \$ ls > filename

EXAMPLE: \$ ls > cseeee

```
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ ls > list  
  
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ cat list  
231901037  
Desktop  
Documents  
Downloads  
list  
Music  
Pictures  
Public  
q  
rec  
Templates  
Videos
```

9. The ‘pipes’ command:

The Unix allows us to connect two commands together using these pipes. A pipe (|) is an mechanism by which the output of one command can be channeled into the input of another command. SYNTAX: \$ command1 | command2 EXAMPLE: \$ who | wc -l

10. The ‘tee’ command:

While using pipes, we have not seen any output from a command that gets piped into another command. To save the output, which is produced in the middle of a pipe, the tee command is very useful. SYNTAX: \$ command | tee filename

EXAMPLE: \$ who | tee sample | wc -l



#### 11. The 'Metacharacters of unix' command:

Metacharacters are special characters that are at higher and abstract level compared to most of other characters in Unix. The shell understands and interprets these metacharacters in a special way.

\* - Specifies number of characters

?- Specifies a single character

[ ]- used to match a whole set of file names at a command line.

! – Used to Specify Not EXAMPLE:

\$ ls r\*\* - Displays all the files whose name begins with 'r'

\$ ls ?kkk - Displays the files which are having 'kkk', from the second characters irrespective of the first character.

\$ ls [a-m] – Lists the files whose names begins alphabets from 'a' to 'm'

\$ ls [!a-m] – Lists all files other than files whose names begins alphabets from 'a' to 'm'

#### 12. The 'File permissions' command:

File permission is the way of controlling the accessibility of file for each of three users namely Users, Groups and Others.

There are three types of file permissions are available, they are

r-read  
w-  
write  
x-  
execute

The permissions for each file can be divided into three parts of three bits each.

First three bits	Owner of the file
Next three bits	Group to which owner of the file belongs
Last three bits	Others

EXAMPLE: \$ ls college

-rwxr-xr-- 1 Lak std 1525 jan10 12:10 college

Where,

-rwx The file is readable, writable and executable by the owner of the file.

Lak Specifies Owner of the file. r-x Indicates the absence of the write permission by the Group owner of the file. Std Is the Group Owner of the file. r-- Indicates read permissions for others.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ ls -l rec
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 12 Jan 27 02:42 rec
```

13. The 'chmod' command:

The chmod command is used to set the read, write and execute permissions for all categories of users for file.

SYNTAX: \$ chmod category operation permission file

Category	Operation	permission
u-users	+ assign	r-read
g-group	-Remove	w-write
o-others	= assign absolutely	x-execute
a-all		

EXAMPLE:

\$ chmod u -wx college

Removes write & execute permission for users for 'college' file.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ chmod u-wx rec

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ ls -l rec
-r--r--r-- 1 kali kali 12 Jan 27 02:42 rec
```

\$ chmod u +rw, g+rw college

Assigns read & write permission for users and groups for 'college' file.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ chmod u+rw,g+rw rec

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls -l rec
-rwxrw-r-- 1 kali kali 12 Jan 27 02:42 rec
```

\$ chmod g=wx college

Assigns absolute permission for groups of all read, write and execute permissions for 'college' file.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ chmod g=wx rec

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls -l rec
-rwx-wxr-- 1 kali kali 12 Jan 27 02:42 rec
```

14. The 'Octal Notations' command:

The file permissions can be changed using octal notations also. The octal notations for file permission are

\$ chmod 761 college

Read permission	4
Write permission	2

Execute permission	1
--------------------	---

Assigns all permission to the owner, read and write permissions to the group and only executable permission to the others for 'college' file.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ chmod 761 rec

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls -l rec
-rwxrw-x 1 kali kali 12 Jan 27 02:42 rec
```

## 1.4 GROUPING COMMANDS

1. The 'semicolon' command:

The semicolon(;) command is used to separate multiple commands at the command line.

SYNTAX:

\$command1;command2;command3.....;commandn

EXAMPLE: \$ who;date

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ who;date
kali      tty7          2025-01-27 02:10 (:0)
Mon Jan 27 02:51:30 AM EST 2025
```

2. The '&&' operator:

The '&&' operator signifies the logical AND operation in between two or more valid Unix commands. It means that only if the first command is successfully executed, then the next command will be executed.

SYNTAX: \$ command1 && command2 && command3.....&&commandn

EXAMPLE: \$ who && date

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ who&&date
kali      tty7          2025-01-27 02:10 (:0)
Mon Jan 27 02:51:48 AM EST 2025
```

3. The '||' operator:

The '||' operator signifies the logical OR operation in between two or more valid Unix commands. It means, that only if the first command will happen to be unsuccessful, it will continue to execute next commands.

SYNTAX: \$ command1 || command2 ||

command3.....||commandn

EXAMPLE: \$ who || date

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ who || date
kali      tty7          2025-01-27 02:10 (:0)
```

## 1.5 FILTERS

1. The head filter

It displays the first ten lines of a file.

SYNTAX: \$ head filename

EXAMPLE: \$ head college Display the top ten lines.

\$ head -5 college Display the top five lines.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ head -3 college
lerumipsum
lorumsipsum
loremipsum
```

## 2. The tail filter

It displays ten lines of a file from the end of the file. SYNTAX:

\$ tail filename

EXAMPLE: \$ tail college Display the last ten lines.

\$tail -5 college Display the last five lines.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ tail -3 college
loremipsum
loremipsum
loremipsum
```

## 3. The more filter:

The pg command shows the file page by page.

SYNTAX: \$ ls -l | more

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ls -l | more
total 56
drwxrwxr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:38 231901037
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 8 Jan 27 02:46 akkw
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 155 Jan 27 02:53 college
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 0 Jan 27 02:46 csecs
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:10 Desktop
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:10 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:14 Downloads
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kali kali 88 Jan 27 02:44 list
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:10 Music
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:22 Pictures
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:10 Public
-rw-r--r-- 1 kali kali 3052 Jan 27 02:31 q
-rwxrwx--x 1 kali kali 12 Jan 27 02:42 rec
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:10 Templates
drwxr-xr-x 2 kali kali 4096 Jan 27 02:10 Videos
```

## 4. The 'grep' command:

This command is used to search for a particular pattern from a file or from the standard input and display those lines on the standard output. "Grep" stands for "global search for regular expression."

SYNTAX: \$ grep [pattern] [file\_name]

EXAMPLE: \$ cat> student

Arun cse

Ram ece

Kani cse

\$ grep "cse" student

Arun cse Kani cse

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ grep i rec
hiii
```

5. The 'sort' command: The sort command is used to sort the contents of a file. The sort command reports only to the screen, the actual file remains unchanged.

SYNTAX: \$ sort filename EXAMPLE: \$ sort college OPTIONS:

Command	Purpose
Sort -r college	Sorts and displays the file contents in reverse order
Sort -c college	Check if the file is sorted
Sort -n college	Sorts numerically
Sort -m college	Sorts numerically in reverse order

Sort -u college	Remove duplicate records
Sort -l college	Skip the column with +1 (one) option.Sorts according to second column

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ sort rec
helloo
hiii

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ sort -r rec
hiii
helloo

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ sort -n rec
helloo
hiii

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ sort -m rec
hiii
helloo

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ sort -u rec
helloo
hiii
```

## 6. The 'nl' command:

The nl filter adds line numbers to a file and it displays the file and not provides access to edit but simply displays the contents on the screen.

SYNTAX: `$ nl filename`

EXAMPLE: `$ nl college`

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ nl rec
1 hii
2 helloo
```

## 7. The 'cut' command:

We can select specified fields from a line of text using cut command.

SYNTAX:

`$ cut -c filename`

EXAMPLE: `$ cut -c college` OPTION:

`-c` – Option cut on the specified character position from each line.

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ cut -c 1 rec
h
h
```

## 1.5 OTHER ESSENTIAL COMMANDS

### 1. free

Display amount of free and used physical and swapped memory system.

synopsis- free

[options]

example

[root@localhost ~]# free -t total used free shared buff/cache available Mem:

4044380 605464 2045080

148820 1393836 3226708 Swap: 2621436 0 2621436

Total: 6665816 605464 4666516

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ free -t
total        used        free        shared  buff/cache   available
Mem:      2012808    1485464    174980      53892     557528     527344
Swap:     1048572     589452     459120          0          0     459120
Total:    3061380    2074916    634100          0          0     986464
```



## 2. top

It provides a dynamic real-time view of processes in the system. synopsis- top [options]

example

```
[root@localhost ~]# top top - 08:07:28 up
```

24 min, 2 users, load average: 0.01, 0.06,

0.23 Tasks: 211 total, 1 running, 210

sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie

%Cpu(s): 0.8 us, 0.3 sy, 0.0 ni, 98.9 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st

KiB Mem : 4044380 total, 2052960 free, 600452 used, 1390968 buff/cache KiB

Swap:

2621436 total, 2621436 free, 0 used. 3234820 avail Mem PID USER PR

NI VIRT RES SHR S %CPU %MEM TIME+ COMMAND

1105 root 20 0 175008 75700 51264 S 1.7 1.9 0:20.46 Xorg 2529 root

20 0 80444 32640 24796 S 1.0 0.8 0:02.47 gnome-term

```
(kali@kali)~$ top
top - 03:00:06 up 50 min, 2 users, load average: 0.65, 0.39, 0.35
Tasks: 224 total, 2 running, 222 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 0.8 us, 1.9 sy, 0.0 ni, 95.8 id, 0.8 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.7 si, 0.0 st
MiB Mem : 1965.6 total, 270.9 free, 1349.4 used, 551.1 buff/cache
MiB Swap: 1024.0 total, 453.4 free, 570.6 used, 616.2 avail Mem

  PID USER      PR  NI  VIRT  RES  SHR  S  %CPU  %MEM    TIME+  COMMAND
 3273 kali        20   0 11.5g 356368 128932 S   3.6   17.7   5:29.19 firefox-esr
 1113 root         20   0 493592 114776 51468 S   2.3   5.7   2:11.18 Xorg
 3731 kali        20   0 3120380 393100 106516 S   2.3  19.5   1:55.43 Isolated Web Co
 210 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.7   0.0   0:00.63 kworker/1:1H-kblockd
 2284 kali        20   0 388036 26660 18904 S   0.7   1.3   0:28.18 xfwm4
 2505 kali        20   0 375076 23720 16632 S   0.7   1.2   0:15.80 panel-13-cpugra
 7494 kali        20   0 2855304 229996 99180 S   0.7  11.4   1:28.28 Isolated Web Co
29681 kali        20   0  9340  5120  3072 R   0.7   0.3   0:00.08 top
  534 root        20   0 317412 6656 6144 S   0.3   0.3   0:07.33 vmtotalsd
 2507 kali        20   0 337688 16864 12208 S   0.3   0.8   0:11.20 panel-15-genmon
 6051 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.3   0.0   0:01.17 kworker/2:2H-kblockd
16659 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.3   0.0   0:00.23 kworker/0:2H-kblockd
20652 kali        20   0 458124 100856 87296 S   0.3   5.0   0:05.74 qterminal
25849 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.3   0.0   0:00.04 kworker/u65:0-writeback
25930 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.3   0.0   0:00.10 kworker/3:2H-kblockd
   1 root        20   0 22216  9124  7020 S   0.0   0.5   0:02.48 systemd
   2 root        20   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.06 kthreadd
   3 root        20   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 pool_workqueue_release
   4 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 kworker/R-rcu_g
   5 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 kworker/R-rcu_p
   6 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 kworker/R-slub
   7 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 kworker/R-netns
  12 root        0 -20   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 kworker/R-mm_pe
  13 root        20   0   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 rcu_tasks_kthread
  14 root        20   0   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 rcu_tasks_rude_kthread
  15 root        20   0   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 rcu_tasks_trace_kthread
  16 root        20   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.21 ksoftirqd/0
  17 root        20   0   0   0   0  I   0.0   0.0   0:04.32 rcu_preempt
  18 root        rt   0   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.09 migration/0
  19 root       -51   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 idle_inject/0
  20 root        20   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 cpuhp/0
  21 root        20   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 cpuhp/1
  22 root       -51   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 idle_inject/1
  23 root        rt   0   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.17 migration/1
  24 root        20   0   0   0   0  S   0.0   0.0   0:00.16 ksoftirqd/1
```

## 3. ps

It reports the snapshot of current processes synopsis- ps [options]

example : [root@localhost ~]# ps -e

PID TTY TIME CMD

1 ? 00:00:03 systemd

2 ? 00:00:00 kthreadd

3 ? 00:00:00 ksoftirqd/0

4. vmstat

It reports virtual memory

statistics synopsis-

vmstat [options]

example

[root@localhost ~]# vmstat procs -----memory--

----- --swap-- ----io---- -system-- -----cpu---- r b

swpd free buff cache si so bi bo in cs us sy id wa st 0 0

0 1879368 1604 1487116 0 0 64 7 72 140 1 0 97 1 0

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ vmstat
procs -----memory--
r b swpd free buff cache si so bi bo in cs us sy id wa st gu
1 0 541068 290796 23700 533252 64 234 490 540 869 3 4 5 92 0 0 0
```

5. df

It displays the amount of disk space available in file-system. Synopsis-

df [options]

example [root@localhost ~]# df

Filesystem 1K-blocks Used Available Use% Mounted on

devtmpfs 2010800 0 2010800 0% /dev tmpfs 2022188 148 2022040 1% /dev/shm  
tmpfs



```
[root@localhost ~]# ifconfig
```

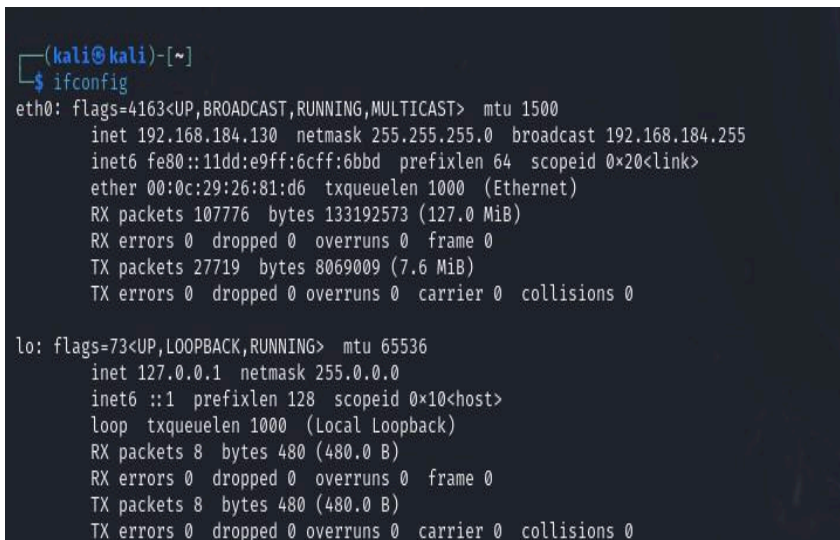
```
enp2s0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu
1500 inet 172.16.6.102 netmask 255.255.252.0 broadcast
172.16.7.255 inet6 fe80::4a0f:cfff:fe6d:6057 prefixlen
64 scopeid 0x20<link> ether
48:0f:cf:6d:60:57 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
```

```
RX packets 23216 bytes 2483338 (2.3 MiB)
```

```
RX errors 0 dropped 5 overruns 0 frame 0
```

```
TX packets 1077 bytes 107740 (105.2 KiB)
```

```
TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```



```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 192.168.184.130 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.184.255
    inet6 fe80::11dd:e9ff:6cff:6bbd prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether 00:0c:29:26:81:d6 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 107776 bytes 133192573 (127.0 MiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 27719 bytes 8069009 (7.6 MiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 8 bytes 480 (480.0 B)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 8 bytes 480 (480.0 B)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

## 8. traceroute

It tracks the route the packet takes to reach the destination.

synopsis- traceroute

[options] example

```
[root@localhost ~]# traceroute www.rajalakshmi.org
traceroute to www.rajalakshmi.org (220.227.30.51), 30
hops max, 60 byte
packets 1 gateway (172.16.4.1) 0.299 ms 0.297 ms 0.327 ms
2 220.225.219.38 (220.225.219.38) 6.185 ms 6.203 ms 6.189
ms
```

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]  
$ traceroute www.rajalakshmi.org  
traceroute to www.rajalakshmi.org (14.99.10.232), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets  
 1  192.168.184.2 (192.168.184.2)  1.489 ms  1.062 ms  0.870 ms  
 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  * * *
```

RESULT:

Hence, basic linux commands are executed successfully