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If you just want to create a file, without even doing an editor, there are two standard ways to just create one from the command line and fill it with content.

The first is to just use **echo** repeatedly:

- 1 \$ echo line one > myfile
- 2 \$ echo line two >> myfile
- 3 \$ echo line three >> myfile

This sort of game is often played from scripts.

A second way is to use **cat** combined with redirection:

- 1 \$ cat << EOF > myfile
- 2 > line one
- 3 > line two
- 4 > line three
- 5 > EOF \$

either of which produces a file which has in it:

- 1 line one
- 2 line two
- 3 line three

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