

Command	Meaning	What it does	🔧 Example	🔄 Analogy
pwd	Print Working Directory	Shows current path	pwd	📍 Checking your current location
ls	List	Lists files/folders	ls -l	📁 Looking inside a folder
cd	Change Directory	Navigate folders	cd Documents/	🚪 Walking into a room
mkdir	Make Directory	Creates a new folder	mkdir Projects	🏠 Building a room
touch	Touch (create file)	Creates empty file	touch notes.txt	📄 Placing blank paper
cp	Copy	Duplicates file/folder	cp a.txt b.txt	📄➡️ Copying a file
mv	Move	Moves or renames	mv a.txt folder/	📦 Moving a box
rm	Remove	Deletes files	rm file.txt	🗑️ Throwing in trash
cat	Concatenate	Displays file content	cat file.txt	📖 Reading a letter
less	View File Page by Page	Scrolls content	less file.txt	📖 Flipping a book
head	Top of file	Shows first 10 lines	head file.txt	🧠 Reading intro
tail	End of file	Shows last 10 lines	tail file.txt	🏁 Reading the end
chmod	Change Mode	Sets permissions	chmod 775 script.sh	🔑 Giving key access
chown	Change Owner	Changes file owner	chown user file.txt	👤 Handing over property
ps	Process Status	Lists running tasks	ps aux	👁️ Viewing workers
top	Top processes	Live system monitor	top	🏥 Health dashboard
kill	Kill process	Ends a process	kill 1234	❌ Turning off machine
grep	Global Regular Expression Print	Searches text	grep "error" log.txt	🔍 CTRL + F in terminal
find	Find	Search files	find . -name "*.py"	🕒 Hunting items
df	Disk Free	Disk space usage	df -h	🏠 Checking house space
du	Disk Usage	Folder size info	du -sh *	⚖️ Weighing boxes
tar	Tape Archive	Archive & compress	tar -czf file.tar.gz folder/	🧳 Packing suitcase
wget	Web Get	Download from URL	wget link.com/file	☁️ Pull from cloud
curl	Client URL	Fetches data	curl example.com	🌐 Grab data online
nano	Nano Editor	Opens text editor	nano file.txt	📝 Writing in notebook
ssh	Secure Shell	Remote access	ssh user@ip	🔒 Entering secure vault
scp	Secure Copy	Copy files remotely	scp file user@ip:/folder/	📦 Secure delivery

