

# UNIX Quick Reference

**Important:** unix is case sensitive. All commands must be typed as shown (most are all lowercase).

1) Logging On:

Telnet to sk.networkcs.com (or wherever)  
Username = (whatever it is for you)  
Password = (whatever it is for you)

2) Logging Off:

logout

3) Changing your password:

passwd (then follow prompts)

4) List contents of directories:

ls (lists files in your current directory)  
ls *directoryname* (lists files in the specified **relative** directory)  
ls */directoryname* (lists files in the specified **absolute** directory)

5) Looking at files on the screen:

cat *filename* (scrolls file to screen)  
more *filename* (displays file on screen one page at a time; use space bar to advance)  
less *filename* (like more, but has more features)

6) Copying files:

cp *oldfile newfile* (copies oldfile to newfile; retains oldfile)  
cp *oldfile directory* (copies oldfile into specified directory)  
cp *oldfile directory/newfile* (copies oldfile into specified directory and changes name)

7) Moving files:

mv *oldfile newfile* (renames oldfile to newfile)  
mv *oldfile directory* (moves oldfile into specified directory; original oldfile is erased)  
mv *oldfile directory/newfile* (as above, but also renames oldfile)

8) Removing files:

rm *filename* (deletes specified file)

9) Making directories:

mkdir *directory* (creates directory)

10) Changing working directory:

cd *directory* (moves you to specified directory)  
cd (moves you to your home directory)

11) Locating yourself:

pwd (print working directory, i.e displays current location)

12) Getting on-line help:

man *command* (shows help screen for specified command, i.e. man less)

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