

– LPI102 –

Customise and Use the Shell

Environment []

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Shells, Scripting, Programming & Compiling

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Objective

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Customise and Use the Shell Environment

Objective

Candidate should be able to customise shell environments to meet users' needs. This objective includes setting environment variables (e.g. PATH) at login or when spawning a new shell. It also includes writing bash functions for frequently used sequences of commands.

Customise and Use the Shell Environment

Key files, terms, and utilities

```
~/.bash_profile  
~/.bash_login  
~/.profile  
~/.bashrc  
~/.bash_logout  
~/.inputrc  
function (Bash built-in command)  
export  
env  
set (Bash built-in command)  
unset (Bash built-in command)
```

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- Functions may be stored in `~/.bashrc`

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- This function would be used like this:

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```
/home/geoffrey/lpic/general-linux-2/notes  
CVS      _whizzy_gl2.notes(fmt  
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- Use the laps() function:

```
$ laps /usr/sbin/sshd ←  
-rwxr-xr-x    1 root      root        276200 Jun 29 01:28 /usr/sbin/sshd  
root        255  0.0  0.3   2792 1216 ?          S     Aug31  0:00 /usr/sbin/sshd  
geoffrey   1187  0.0  0.1   1332   424 pts/1     R     14:39  0:00 grep sshd
```

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