

Z Shell Basics Cheat Sheet

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Directory Commands	
pwd	Print working directory
mkdir <directory></directory>	Create a new directory
rmdir <directory></directory>	Remove an empty directory
cd <directory></directory>	Change directory
4 Use < > to go up one the previous directory.	level, < ~ > for home directory, or < - > for
ls <flag></flag>	List files and directories
-l	Long format
-a	All entries
-h	Human-readable sizes
-t	Sort by modification time
-r	Reverse order
-d	List directory (meta)

Finding Files	
grep <pattern> <file></file></pattern>	Search pattern in a file
find <path> <expression></expression></path>	
→ Search for files and director	ries within a directory hierarchy:*
-name	(by name)
-type d	(by directories)
-type f	(by files)
locate <filename></filename>	Quickly find files by name

Command Help	
man <command/>	Display the manual page. Press { q } to exit.
<command/> help	Brief help message.

File Operations	
touch <file></file>	Create an empty file or update a file's timestamp
cp <src> <dest></dest></src>	Copy files and dirs
4 Add { -r } to copy directories recursively.	
mv <src> <dest></dest></src>	Move or rename files/dirs
rm <file></file>	Remove files
cat <file></file>	Print file contents to screen
less <file></file>	View file content page-by-page
head <file></file>	Display the first few lines of a file (default 10)
tail <file></file>	Display the last few lines of a file (default 10)

File Operations (cont)	
→ Add < -f > to follow the file as it grows.	

zsh shortcuts: Navigation	
^ A	Beginning of line
^ E	End of line
^ F	Forward one character
^ B	Back one character

zsh shortcuts: Deletion	
^ U	Delete the current line
^ K	Delete from cursor to EOL
⊗ + ∞	Delete one word (backward)
^ W	Delete one word (backward)
^ D	Delete one char (forward)
FN + ∞	Delete one char (forward)
^ L	Clear the screen
жK	Clear history
^ _	Undo the last change

zsh shortcuts: Process and shell	
^ C	Terminate the running foreground process
^ Z	Suspend the running foreground process
^ D	Exit current shell (when line is empty)

zsh shortcuts: History	
1	Recall the previous command in history
1	Recall the next command in history
^ R	Search the command history
^ G	Escape from command search mode
!!	Execute the last typed command
!pw	Run last command that begins with <pw> (e.g., !cd)</pw>



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