

8 Deadly Commands You Should Never Run on Linux

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Linux's terminal commands are powerful, and Linux won't ask you for confirmation if you run a command that won't break your system. It's not uncommon to see trolls online recommending new Linux users run these commands as a joke.

rm -rf / ? Deletes Everything!

The command `rm -rf /` deletes everything it possible can, including files on your hard drive and files on connected removable media devices. This command is more understandable if it's broken down:

`rm ?` Remove the following files.

`-rf ?` Run `rm` recursively (delete all files and folders inside the specified folder) and force-remove all files without prompting you.

`/ ?` Tells `rm` to start at the root directory, which contains all the files on your computer.

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