

# CompTIA Linux+ 2009

## Course Introduction

10m

## Unit 01 - Installation

52m

### **Topic A: Linux Introduction**

Ubuntu with OpenOffice / Firefox

Linux Platforms

Popular Distros

Software Licensing

Non-licensing Terminology

Demo - Exploring Linux and Licensing

### **Topic B: Pre-installation Tasks**

Pre-installation Tasks

Installation Types

Installation Files

ISO Burning Applications

### **Topic C: Linux Installation**

File Systems

Partitioning

Minimum Partitions

Demo - Installing Linux

Logging On

Demo - Logging into Debian

Unit 01 Review

## Unit 02 - Using Linux

2h 24m

### **Topic A: Graphical User Interfaces**

User Interface Architecture

Demo - Exploring User Interfaces

Desktop Environments

GNOME

GNOME Environment

KDE

Xfce

Linux Applications

Demo - Exploring End-user Applications and OpenOffice Writer

### **Topic B: Command Line Linux**

Command Line Interface

BASH (Bourne Shell)

Common Commands

Demo - Entering Commands at the BASH Prompt

BASH Proficiency

Command History

Shell Variables

Shell Metacharacters

Tab Completion

Demo - Exploring the BASH Command Line Interface

Piping and Redirecting

Standard I/O

Demo - Exploring Piping and Redirection

Named Pipes

Demo - Exploring Named Pipes

Getting Help

Man Page

Man Page Sections  
Info Pages  
Demo - Getting Help  
Additional Help Options  
Demo - Exploring Further Help Options  
Unit 02 Review

## **Unit 03 - File and Directory Management**

1h 54m

### **Topic A: Directory Organization**

Filesystem Hierarchy Standard  
Directory Navigation  
pushd and popd  
Demo - Exploring the FHS Directories  
Managing Directories  
Demo - Managing Directories

### **Topic B: File Management**

Files  
Wildcards  
Demo - Managing Files  
The vi Editor  
vi Commands  
Demo - Editing a File with vi  
Links  
Demo - Creating and Using File Links  
File Information Commands  
File Info with ls -lF  
More File Information Commands  
Demo - Examining File Types  
Finding Files  
Demo - Finding Files

### **Topic C: Removable Storage**

Mounting Volumes  
File System Types  
Device Files  
Mount Points  
Mount Options  
Example Commands  
Mounting  
Privilege Escalation  
Demo - Mounting and Unmounting a CD and USB Drive  
Unit 03 Review

## **Unit 04 - System Administration**

2h 40m

### **Topic A: Users and Groups**

User Security - /etc/passwd  
Password File Fields  
User Security - /etc/shadow  
Shadow File Fields  
Privilege Escalation  
Demo - Exploring User Accounts  
Demo - Adding Your Account to the sudoers File  
User Accounts  
The /etc/login.defs File  
The /etc/default/useradd File  
The /etc/skel Directory

The adduser Command  
The /etc/adduser.conf File  
Demo - Creating User Accounts at the Command Line  
GUI Admin Tools  
Demo - Creating User Accounts via the GUI  
Modifying Users  
The chfn Command  
The finger Command  
Demo - Modifying a User Account  
Creating Groups  
Adding Users to Groups  
Demo - Creating Groups and Adding Members  
Deleting Accounts  
Demo - Deleting Users and Groups  
**Topic B: File and Directory Permissions**  
File Ownership  
Demo - Managing File Ownership  
File and Directory Permissions  
The Mode  
Mode Explained  
Demo - Viewing File Permissions  
Changing Permissions  
Numeric Syntax  
Demo - Changing File Permissions  
Default Permissions  
Umask  
Demo - Viewing and Changing the Umask  
Special Permissions  
Special Permissions in the Mode  
Setting Special Permissions  
Demo - Viewing and Changing Special Permissions  
File System Specific Attributes  
Demo - Viewing and Changing ext3 File Attributes  
**Topic C: User Environment Configuration**  
Variables  
Viewing Variables, Custom Variables  
PATH  
Changing the Prompt  
Demo - Working with Shell and Environment Variables  
Command Aliases  
Demo - Viewing and Creating Command Aliases  
Environment Files  
Demo - Saving a Command Alias in an Environment File  
**Topic D: GUI Configuration**  
Video Configuration  
Screen Resolution  
xvidtune  
Screensaver  
Appearance Preferences  
Demo - Configuring Video Settings  
Mouse Preferences  
Keyboard Preferences  
Demo - Configuring the Mouse and Keyboard  
Stop and Start X Windows  
Demo - Stopping and Starting X Windows  
Unit 04 Review

## **Unit 05 - Application Management**

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### **Topic A: Packages and Package Managers**

Software Distribution

Packages

Package Managers

Synaptic Package Manager

Demo - Installing a Package via the GUI

Command Line Package Managers

Demo - Installing a Package via the Command Line

Installed Software

Demo - Gathering Information about Installed Software

Removing Software

Demo - Removing Software

Repositories

Synaptic - Software Sources

Demo - Managing Repositories

### **Topic B: Source Code Software**

Installing from Source Code

Extracting

Compiling and Linking

Installing and Cleaning Up

Demo - Installing the GNU C Compiler

Demo - Downloading and Installing a Source Code Application

Unit 05 Review

## **Unit 06 - System Configuration**

1h 31m

### **Topic A: Disk Management**

Disk Drives

Drive Components

Drive Geometry

Partitioning

fdisk

fdisk - Drive and Partition List

parted - Partition Editor

GParted

Demo - Exploring Partitions with fdisk

Demo - Exploring Partitions via the GUI

Formatting

Demo - Formatting a Partition with mkfs

The /etc/fstab File

The fstab with New Drives

Demo - Editing the fstab File

Virtual File Systems

Demo - Mounting a Loop Device

### **Topic B: File System Management**

Quotas

Quotas Enabled in fstab

Enabling Quotas

Editing Quotas with edquota

Enabling Quotas (cont.)

Swap Space

Swap Space Options

Creating Swap Space

Filling New Swap Space

Managing Swap

Demo - Managing Swap Space

Disk Arrays  
RAID Level 0  
RAID Level 1  
RAID Level 3  
RAID Level 5  
Logical Volume Manager  
Implementing LVM  
**Topic C: Device Management**  
Devices  
Sample Devices  
Demo - Exploring the /dev Directory  
Viewing USB Devices  
Demo - Viewing Devices on the USB Bus  
Viewing PCI Devices  
Unit 06 Review

## **Unit 07 - Process and Module Management**

1h 14m

### **Topic A: Process Management**

Processes  
Process IDs  
Demo - Exploring Processes  
The ps Command  
Common ps Command Forms  
Output of ps aux  
The top Command  
Demo - Viewing Processes and Devices  
Killing Processes  
Other kill Commands  
Demo - Managing Processes

### **Topic B: Process Priority and Execution**

Process Forking  
Foreground and Background  
Demo - Comparing Foreground and Background Processes  
Process Priority  
Viewing Priorities  
Setting Priorities  
Renice  
Demo - Managing Process Priorities

### **Topic C: Kernel Modules**

Kernel  
Kernel Tuning  
Common sysctl Settings  
Demo - Viewing Kernel Information  
Kernel Modules  
The lsmod Command  
The modprobe Command  
Module Related Files  
Demo - Exploring Kernel Modules  
Unit 07 Review

## **Unit 08 - System Maintenance**

1h 59m

### **Topic A: Backup and Restore**

Compression  
Algorithms  
Compressed File Types  
Compression Utilities

GNU zip = gzip

bzip2

Compression via the GUI

Demo - Compressing and Extracting Data

Tape Archives

Demo - Creating Archiving with tar

cpio and find

Demo - Backing Up with cpio

Backup with dd

Demo - Backing Up with dd

### **Topic B: Scheduling Tasks**

Scheduling Commands

The at Command

Demo - Scheduling Commands with at

The cron Command

Sample crontab

crontab run-parts Format

Managing cron

Demo - Scheduling a Job with cron

### **Topic C: Performance Monitoring**

Monitoring Tools

Demo - Installing the sysstat Package

mpstat

iostat

Demo - Monitoring with mpstat and iostat

System Activity Reporter

Output of sar

Demo - Monitoring System Activity with sar

The uptime Command

The free Command

The top Command

The vmstat Command

Demo - Using the Memory Statistics Utilities

Load Average

Demo - Viewing the Load Average for Your Computer

### **Topic D: Logging**

Log Files

Demo - Viewing Logs

System Logging Daemon

Sample rsyslog.conf

Logging Facilities

Priorities

Priority Notation

Demo - Examining the syslog.conf File

Log Rotation

Sample logrotate.conf

Demo - Examining Log Rotation

Text Manipulation Commands

grep

head and tail

sed

Demo - Searching and Displaying Text Files

awk

Demo - Searching and Replacing with awk

Unit 08 Review

## **Unit 09 - Networking**

2h 6m

### **Topic A: Networking Basics**

Networks

Protocols

OSI Reference Model

Internet Protocol Suite

Additional Protocols

Addressing

Addresses

Internet Protocol Version 4

IPv4 Classes

Internet Protocol Version 6

Assigning Addresses

Demo - Examining Addresses

Character Based Names

Name Utilities

Demo - Identifying Addresses and Names

Ports

Demo - Viewing and Using Ports

Authentication

Authentication Factors

One-factor Authentication

Two-factor Authentication

Three-factor Authentication

### **Topic B: Network Services**

NIC Configuration

Network Commands

Demo - Configuring Your Network Interface

DHCP Services

Demo - Managing DHCP Client Services

DHCP Server Services

Demo - Installing and Configuring DHCP Server Services

Network Time Services

Date and Time Commands

Demo - Installing NTP and Configuring Time Synchronization

Internet Super Daemon

Demo - Viewing Daemon Startup Options

### **Topic C: Domain Name Services**

DNS

Name Resolution Process

Demo - Resolving Names

BIND

Resource Records

Demo - Installing BIND and Examining its Configuration Files

Managing BIND

Demo - Managing BIND

Local Name Resolution

Default /etc/hosts File

The nsswitch.conf File

Demo - Examining Local Name Resolution

Unit 09 Review

## **Unit 10 - File Sharing and Printing**

43m

### **Topic A: Network File Resources**

NFS

Demo - Enabling Local Name Resolution and Installing NFS

NFS Server Configuration

The exports File

Computer Entries

Options

Demo - Configuring and Starting the NFS Server

Mounting

Demo - Mounting an NFS File System

Managing NFS

Demo - Managing Exports

### **Topic B: Printing**

Printing

LPD/LPR

Application Specific

CUPS

CUPS Configuration

GUI Tools

More on Printing

Demo - Creating a Printer in CUPS

Printing Management

Demo - Managing Printers

Unit 10 Review

## **Unit 11 - Interoperability**

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### **Topic A: Network Interoperability**

Samba

Demo - Installing Samba

Samba Configuration

The smb.conf File

SWAT

GUI Tools

Browsing for Linux Resources

Demo - Configuring Samba Shares

Components

### **Topic B: Remote Desktop Access**

rdesktop

rdesktop Command

GUI Clients

VNC

Debian's VNC Server

TightVNC on Windows XP

A Linux Desktop on Windows

A Windows Desktop on Linux

Unit 11 Review

## **Unit 12 - Security**

57m

### **Topic A: System Security**

NIS

NIS Roles

PAM

LDAP

RADIUS



RADIUS Benefits  
SELinux - Security Enhanced  
Changing Modes  
Demo - Examining SELinux  
User Tools  
Demo - Exploring User Management Commands  
**Topic B: Network Security**  
Routing and Firewalls  
Basic Routing Table  
Routing  
Large Network  
Modifying Routing Tables  
Demo - Examining Routing  
Traffic Filtering  
Configuring Chains and Rules  
iptables Command Parameters  
iptables Examples  
Demo - Configuring iptables  
Network Security Tools  
Nessus  
Intrusion Detection Systems  
Snort IDS  
HIDS  
Unit 12 Review

## **Unit 13 - Web Environment**

59m

### **Topic A: Web Services**

Web Technologies  
Sample PHP Program  
MySQL Client  
Apache  
Demo - Installing Apache  
Apache Configuration  
Site Definition Files  
The .htaccess File  
Demo - Configuring Apache  
Apache Modules  
Apache Daemon  
Demo - Installing the PHP Module  
Demo - Configuring Apache's Default Document

### **Topic B: MySQL Services**

MySQL  
Demo - Installing MySQL and Associated Tools  
MySQL Configuration  
Demo - Examining the MySQL Configuration Files  
phpMyAdmin  
Demo - Testing Your MySQL Server  
Starting and Stopping MySQL  
Demo - Starting and Stopping MySQL  
Unit 13 Review

## **Unit 14 - FTP and Email Services**

44m

### **Topic A: FTP Services**

FTP  
Demo - Installing an FTP Server  
Configuration  
Demo - Configuring the FTP Server  
Security  
FTP Clients  
Active Mode  
Passive Mode  
Transfer Types  
Demo - Transferring Files with FTP  
Secure FTP  
SSH Daemon Configuration  
Key Generation  
Public Key Encryption  
Demo - Installing and Configuring the SSH Daemon  
Demo - Connecting via SSH  
Synchronizing Directories  
**Topic B: Mail Services**  
Electronic Mail  
Mail Clients  
Email Addresses  
Unit 14 Review

## **Unit 15 - Troubleshooting and Maintenance**

57m

### **Topic A: Booting Linux**

Booting  
Boot Loaders  
GRUB Boot Loader Screen  
GRUB Configuration  
Demo - Investigating GRUB  
Runlevels  
Runlevel Initialization  
Demo - Changing Runlevels  
Root Password Recovery  
Demo - Recovering the Root Password  
Kernel Options and Recovery  
Demo - Troubleshooting Boot Problems

### **Topic B: Network Troubleshooting**

Troubleshooting  
Network Utilities  
Obtaining Files  
File Verification

### **Topic C: Scripting Basics**

Scripting  
A Script  
Commands  
Demo - Writing and Testing a Shell Script  
Unit 15 Review  
Course Closure

Total Duration: 20hrs 30min