LESSON PLAN - Command Line Basics

Overview

- Personal Introduction
- Introduction to the Command Line
 - What is a command line
 - Why is a command line important or useful

Theory of the Command Line

- Commands vs Programs vs Processes
- Inputs and Outputs of processes
- What is a shell process, interpretation
- o Programs running under shells
- User access and process rights
- File Expansion
- o Variable Replacement
- Practical Command Line
 - o Running commands, press enter
 - o Specifying arguments, spaced
 - Finding the commands, [apropos and ls]
 - Understanding how to use commands, [man and --help]
 - Directing Process Input and Outputs, pipes
 - o Run as someone else, user control, sudo vs su
 - Basic Scripting
- Practical Section
 - Demonstrations
 - Using various commands
 - Student Practical
- Questions
- Optional Assignment for the week

Materials

- 1. Section Presentation (slides)
- 2. Overview Sheet
- 3. Command Line Cheat Sheet
- 4. Practical and Assignment Sheet