



Introduction to UNIX systems administration

Course overview

Description

A grounding in UNIX administration, enabling delegates to competently perform simple administration tasks using menus. As well as using the menus, the administration commands underlying the menus are introduced for the more technical delegates.

Who will benefit?
System Administrators.
Network Administrators.
Support personnel.

Prerequisites
UNIX Fundamentals.

Objectives
By the end of the course delegates will be able to:

- Administer standalone UNIX systems using menus.
- Configure UNIX for users and printers.
- Maintain UNIX by handling disk space and taking regular backups.

Duration: 2 days

NOTE: The exact contents of this course will depend on the specific variation of UNIX (e.g. AIX, HP/UX, Linux or Solaris) required.



Contents

Hands on!

What is Systems Administration?
The job, the root user, the su command, customising root's environment.

Administration by menus

Setting up the system after installation
Setting the date and time, the nodename and passwords.

Managing users and groups
Adding users and groups, managing passwords, customising user environments, deleting users and groups.

Managing printers
Basics, the spooler, printer operations, adding printers, fixing problems with printers.

System shutdown
Run states, how to shutdown.

System startup
/etc/inittab and other startup files, the login sequence.

Filesystems
Partitions and filesystems, using floppy disks.

Backups
Backup mediums, backup strategies.
UNIX utilities for backup.

Restoring from backups

Automating tasks
The cron process. Setting up cron tables.

Simple monitoring
What's going on in your system, disk space, log files.

Miscellaneous
Package management.
System log books.

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