

# 15 Basic 'ls' Command Examples in Linux

I learned at least three things from this list, and I've been using *ls* for years.

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The new things for me were:

- *ls -lh* – human readable format on file sizes
- *ls -ltr* – reverse output order, which is particularly useful when sorting by date
- *ls -ls* – sort by file size
- *ls -R* – Recursively list Sub-Directories (can be combined with *S* for size)

Note: so far, all of these commands work for me in OS/X as well.

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