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Question # 1

What is the command used to replace many characters?

Answer:-

this question should have been for many same words that appear many times, for this press escape to go to command line, then type

```
:%s/old_word/new_word/g  
g for global
```

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Question # 2

How to return to shell without leaving vi editor?

Answer:-

In the vi Press 'Esc' and ':' then Type 'shell'
And you can go to shell and do different commands.
To return to vi editor type 'exit' in shell prompt.

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Question # 3

Which command is used to replace many characters?

Answer:-

change command can be used to change a word/line.

cw change word forward

cb change word backward

c\$ change from cursor to end of line

cL change from current line to end of screen

cG change from current line to end of file

or if you want to replace all occurrence of some specific character

```
:%s/oldText/newText/g
```

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Question # 4

What does the /text command do?

Answer:-

/text: it will search for the string(pattern). You will get the first occurrence after pressing enter. If you want to see the next occurrence then press "n"

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Question # 5

What are the different commands used to quit from the vi editor?

Answer:-

q! IS THE COMMAND TO QUIT FROM vi EDITOR WITHOUT SAVING

wq IS THE COMMAND TO QUIT FROM vi EDITOR WITH SAVING

q IS THE IS THE COMMAND TO QUIT FROM vi EDITOR IF YOU DONT EDIT ANYTHING AFTER OPENING THAT FILE

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Question # 6

How to append a file to current file?

Answer:-

to append file1 to file2. first open file1 in vi editor using vi file1 command. then to append file1 to file 2 just use the following command.

:w>>file2 so file 1 will be appended to file 2

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Question # 7

What is the command used to delete current line in vi editor?

Answer:-

press ESC

Then press d two times

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Question # 8

What is the format of vi command?

Answer:-

vi filename

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Question # 9

How to enter from command mode to insertion mode?

Answer:-

There are several commands that put the VI editor into insert mode. The most commonly used commands to get into insert mode are a and i.

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Question # 10

What are the different delete commands used in vi editor?

Answer:-

dd -- for delete line

x - single character deletion

dw - delete word

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Question # 11

What is the command used to display line numbers in vi editor?

Answer:-

esc

:

set number

Repeating in Descriptive form

Please come to command mode by pressing escape.

Put :

The typoe set number and enter

You can view line nos

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Question # 12

How to replace String "a" with String "b" in whole file of the vi editor?

Answer:-

:g/string1/s//string2/g

ex:

:g/a/s//b/g

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Question # 13

What are the two different modes in vi editor?

Answer:-

Command Mode

Insert Mode

LastLine mode



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Question # 14

What is the command used to append text after current line?

Answer:-

:m,n w >> filename

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Question # 15

How to create a .exrc file in vi editor?

Answer:-

This article presents a sample .exrc file that can be used by users of the vi editor. The .exrc file, located in your home directory, is the startup (or configuration) file for the vi editor.

The intent of this brief article is to show some of the ways you can modify the configuration of the vi editor. Please note that the .exrc file contains commands that Vi reads when you first run it. The default directory that Vi looks in for the .exrc file is your home directory. However, if you run Vi from another directory containing a .exrc file, Vi will use the .exrc in that directory and bypass the home directory .exrc. You must precede control characters (like ^[or ^M) with CONTROL-V. For example to enter ^M, type CONTROL-V CONTROL-M.

Some important points for .exrc files:

Do not allow any blank lines in the file or processing will stop on that line.

Comments are introduced by starting a line with a double quote: "

All directives, whether options, abbreviations, or key macros must all be typed on a single line. The listing below has had the lines broken up for the sake of readability.

Control characters like [tab],[linefeed],[escape] can be inserted by first typing ^V (hold down Ctrl, and press V), followed by the character. For instance, for [tab], hold Ctrl and press V, release Ctrl, hit [tab]. You'll see ^I.

This is evident in the listing below.

For VIM the corresponding file is .vimrc (_vimrc in case of windows).

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Question # 16

What does the c\$ command do from command mode?

Answer:-

c\$ will begin from the character under the cursor till the end of line. so when you use this command it will show you \$ sign at the end of the line and you can change till that point.

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Question # 17

What is the difference between ZZ and :wq commands?

Answer:-

both do the same task..! in the sense :wq,:x and ZZ are used to save the changes of edited to storage and quit.. but to jot down the difference a foolish one.. :wq and :x requires <enter> key to be pressed to fire this commands where as ZZ works as a shortcut (hot) key.. it some what like for prior commands we are requesting Vi to do the work and later command we are telling/commanding

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Question # 18

What is the difference between lettered buffer and temporary buffer?

Answer:-

Temporary Buffer

Deleted or copied text goes into a temporary unnamed buffer. The contents of the temporary buffer may be retrieved by using the p or P commands.



Lettered Buffers

There are 26 lettered buffers (a-z). Contents of a lettered buffer are saved until you copy or delete more characters into it, or until you quit your current vi session.

eg.

From Command Mode

"ayy Copy (yank) a line into buffer letter "a"

"ap Put contents of lettered buffer a below the current line

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