



Q&A

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- Cybersecurity Awareness Month
- Engaging content walks learners through how to easily protect their Wi-Fi, router and devices
 - Top Threats to the Home
 - Securing Devices
 - Backing Up Your Digital Information
 - Balancing Your Children's Privacy Online
 - Tip Sheets
 - More





SharePoint?

- Recently, I was finishing off my evening with the PC when Glasswire popped up a notification showing a first network access for this program.
- I don't recall hearing this name before and have not installed anything new on that PC for longer than I recall.
- Googling the program leaves me as confused as not googling the program!
- What is SharePoint and why is it running on my PC?



SharePoint

Your mobile, intelligent intranet

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An Intranet Product

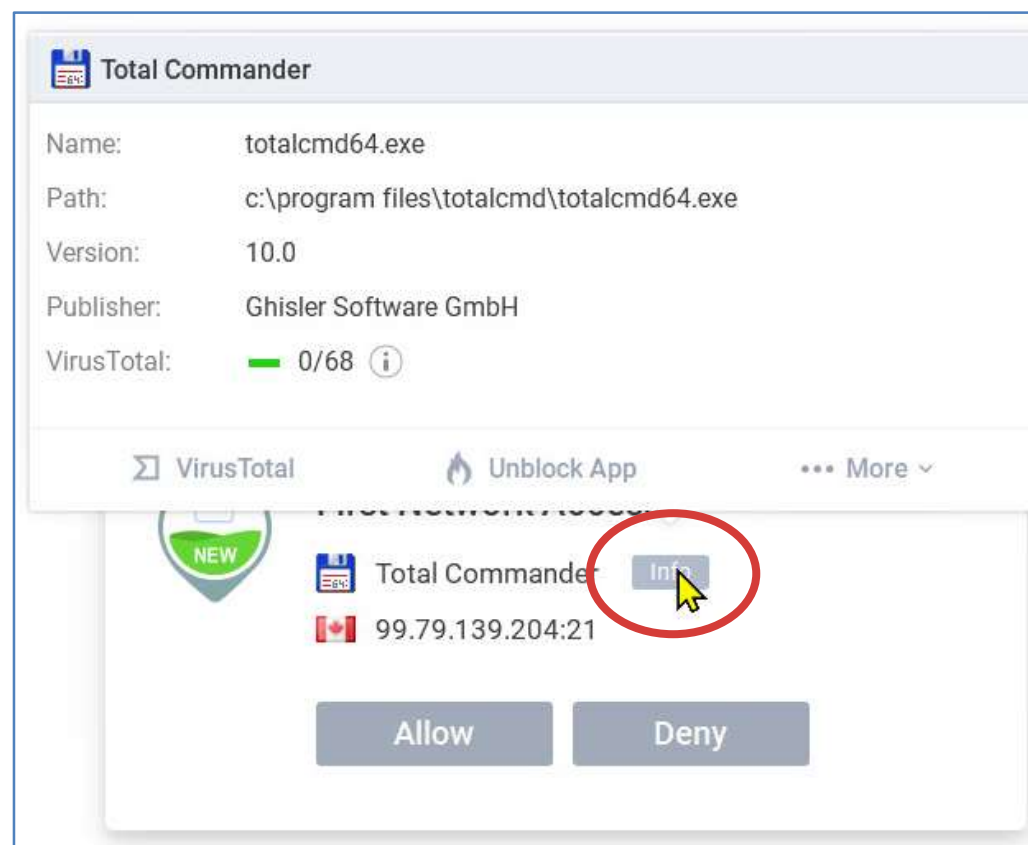
SharePoint

Your mobile, intelligent intranet

Share and manage content, knowledge, and applications to empower teamwork, quickly find information, and seamlessly collaborate across the organization.

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-ca/microsoft-365/sharepoint/collaboration>

- If GlassWire is indicating that a program is trying to access the Internet, the said program is installed and running on the computer!
- GlassWire provides an "info" button in the pop-up that will show you the full path to the executable.
- This may help in some cases.



- I was able to locate and delete half a dozen files related to the program
- Since doing that, I have received a daily error message from Windows stating it cannot find sharepoint.exe where it is supposed to be
- Just one message a day, in the evening
- Somehow, Windows wants this thing!
- Odd. I don't see the same issue on my laptop (Win Pro), just on the desktop (Win Home)
- I did read an article about Microsoft forcing PC Health Check on systems today and wonder if it is somehow related to the SharePoint enigma...

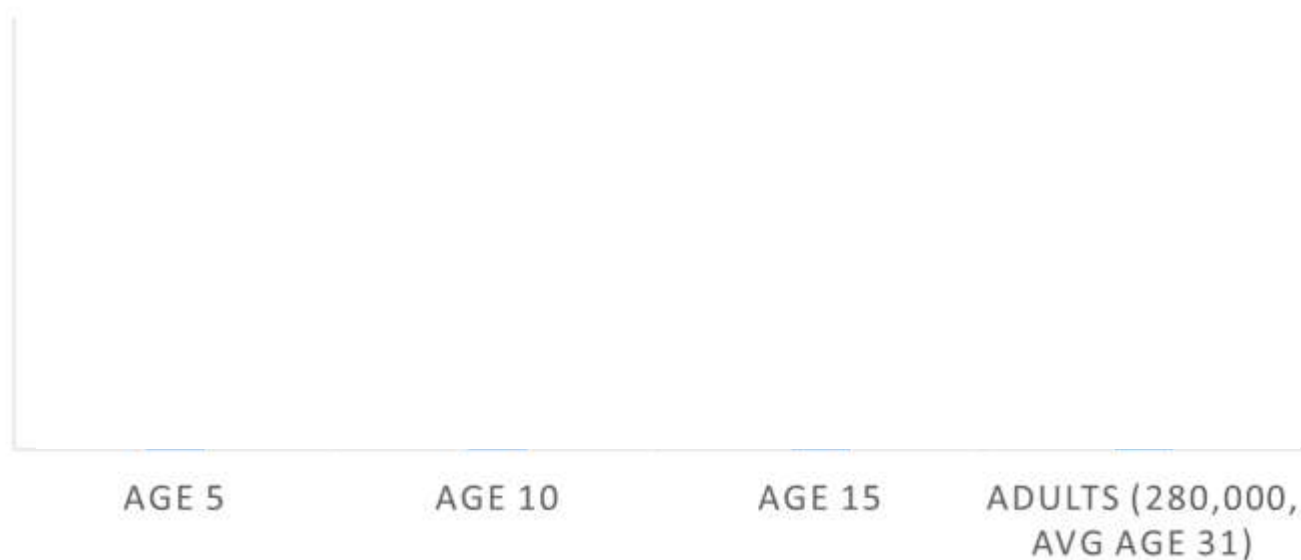
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You used to be a creative genius



- According to a 1968 study by George Land

CREATIVITY SCORES AT GENIUS LEVEL



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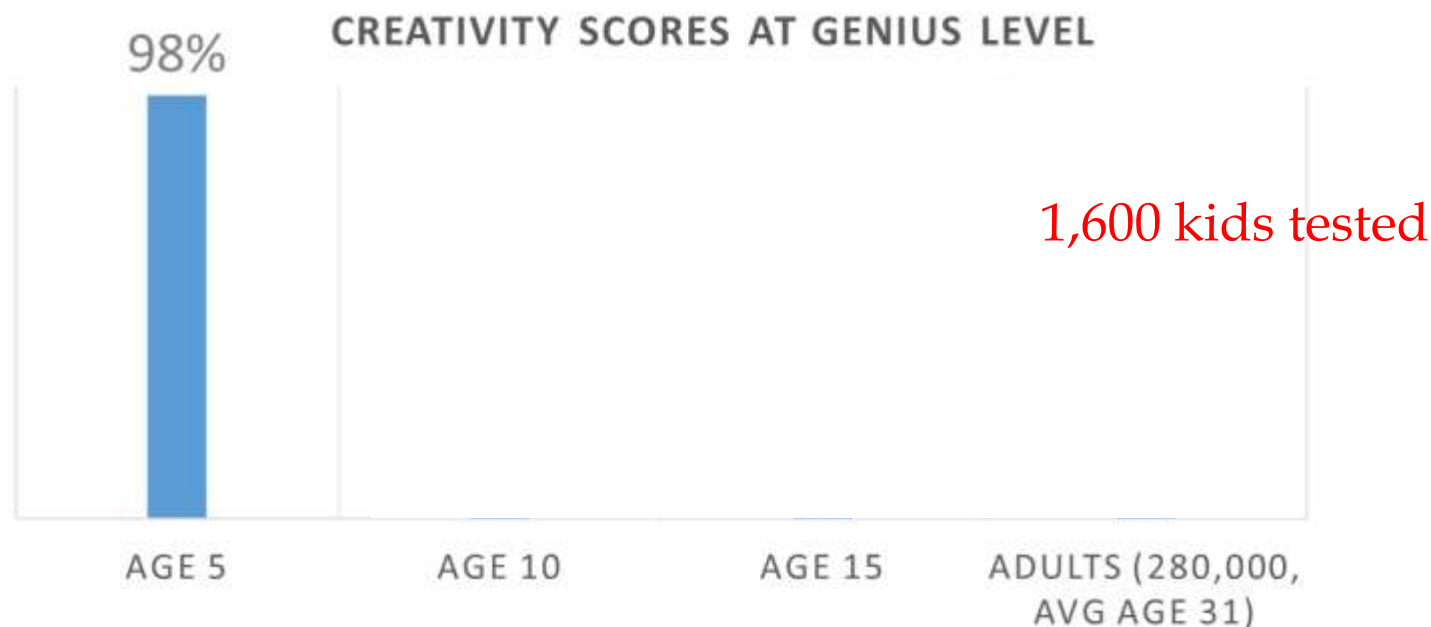
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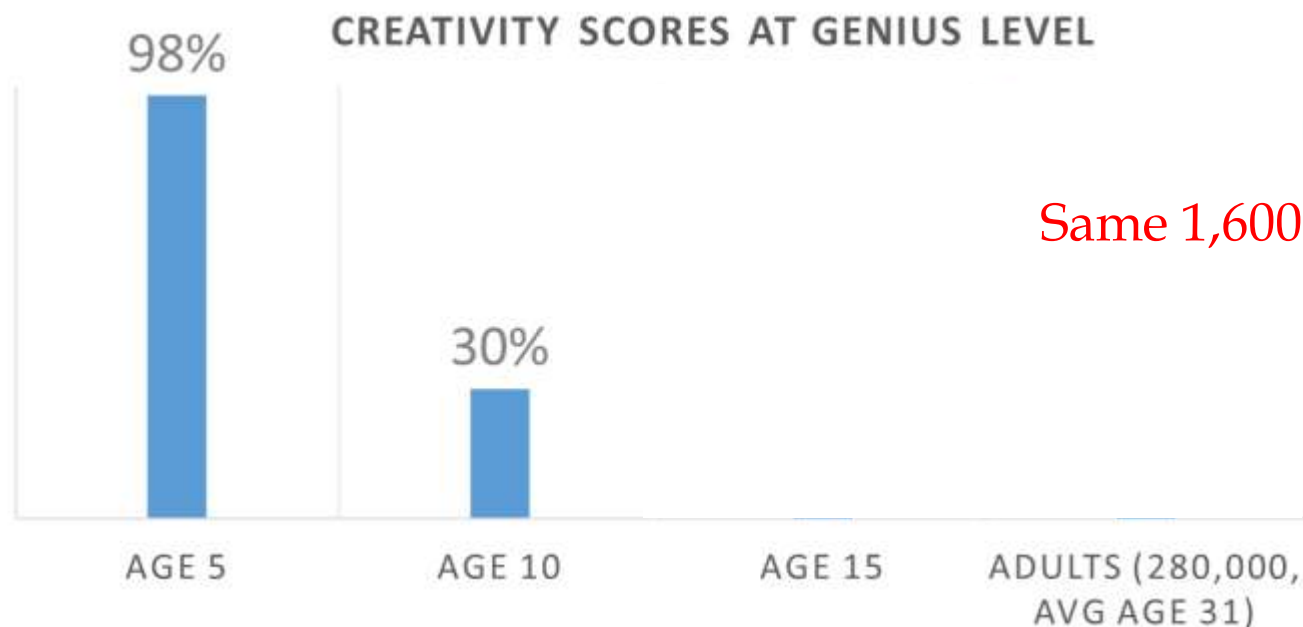
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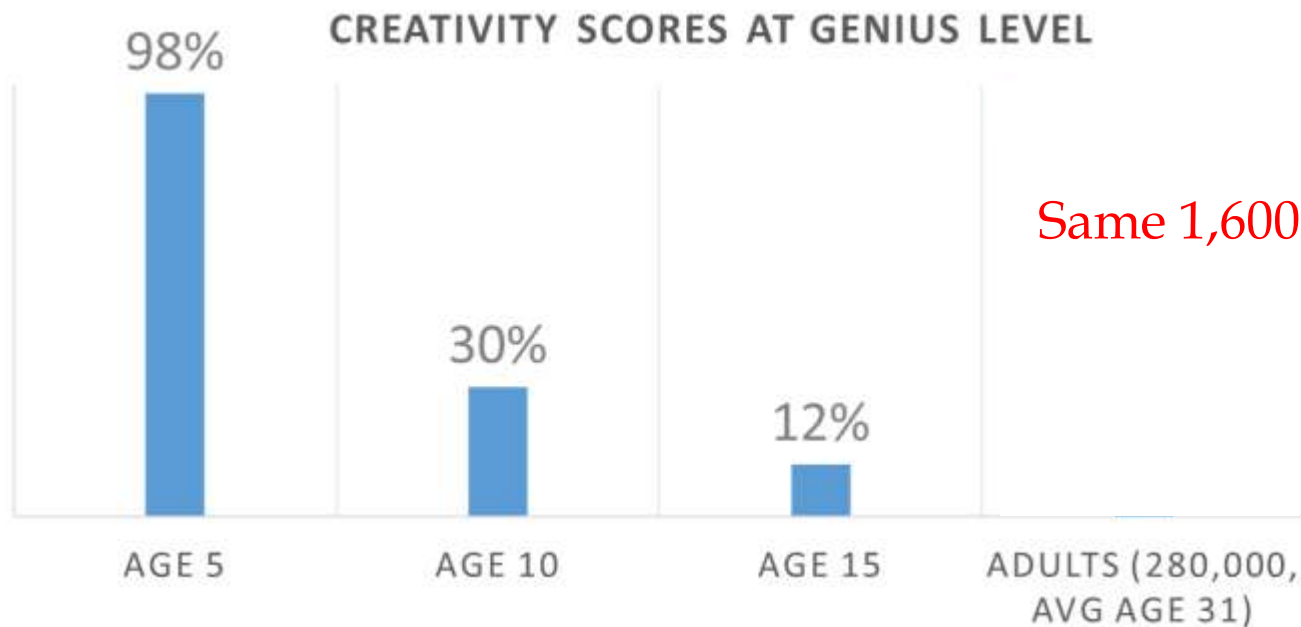
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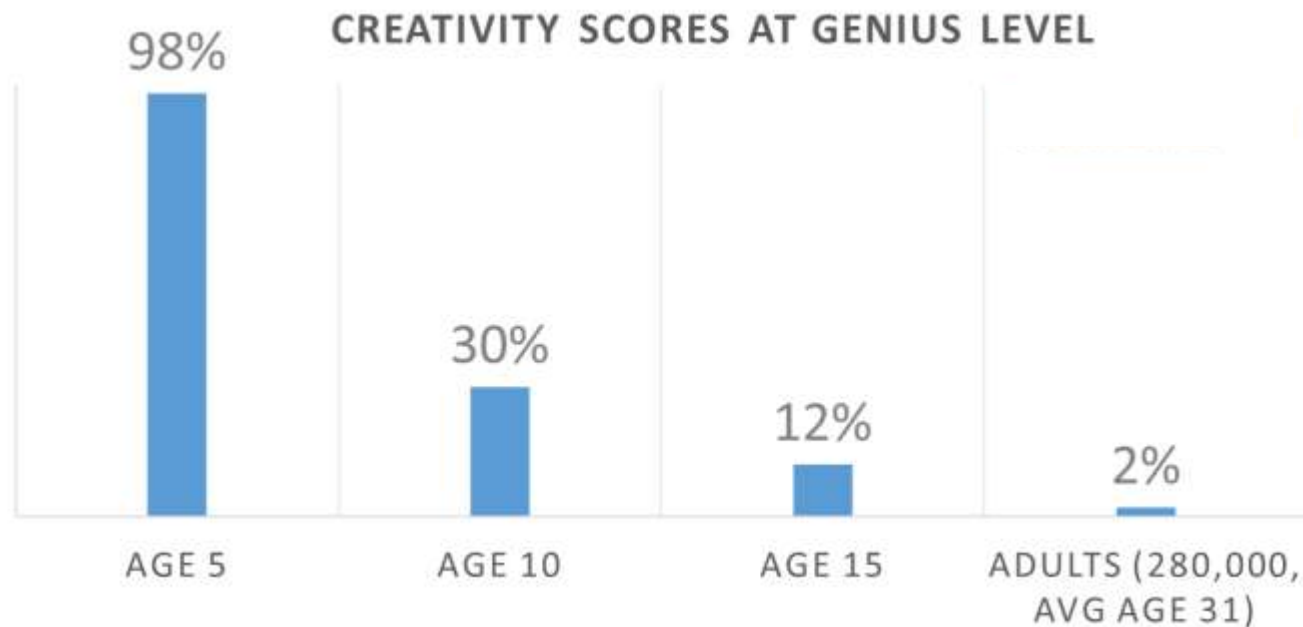
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- Divergent thinking
 - imagine new ideas
 - original ones different from what has come before
 - may be rough to start with, often happens subconsciously
- Convergent thinking
 - judge ideas
 - *costs too much, we tried that before, that won't work*
 - criticize / refine / combine / improve them
 - happens in your conscious thought
- We teach children to do both...at the same time
 - doesn't work
 - split into each separately to make each more effective



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qrH4zEBmztc>



PCWorld

<https://www.pcworld.com/article/539183/windows-11-review-an-unnecessary-replacement-for-windows-10.html>

Preparing to abandon ~~ship~~ ^{the windows}

To-do list:

- ✓ (1) Install Linux on the last remaining computer
- ✓ (2) Identify the current uses of Windows 10
- (3) Identify Linux-based alternatives**
- (4) Find workarounds if no alternatives exist*

** Are there any show-stoppers?*

- ✓ • Microsoft Word (correspondence, newsletter articles, Treasurer's reports)
- Microsoft Excel (macro programming)
- ✓ • Microsoft PowerPoint (Q&A sessions)
- Text editor (Notepad++)
- Disk image backups (Macrium Reflect)
- Digital image management
 - (FastStone Image Viewer)
- File search (Everything)
- HTML editor (Homesite)
- Garmin GPS (MapSource)
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Alternatives



The image shows a Notepad++ window with two tabs: 'reminder.txt' and 'Q&A_Index.txt'. The main text area contains the following content:

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4 =====
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20 =====
21 PROMO
22 =====
23
24 At our Q&A session at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, October 10, 2012, we will discuss the use of secondary
25 monitors - and especially the use of a secondary monitor for displaying
26 any computer-related questions. Details at: https://tinycloud.com/opcug-meeting
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A yellow callout box on the right side of the window lists the following features:

- Notepad++
- Multi-tab editing
- Program code support
- Macros
- Plugins (e.g. Compare)

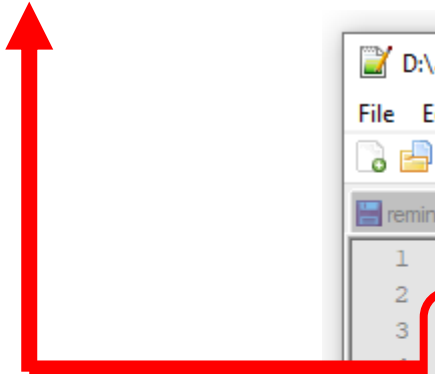
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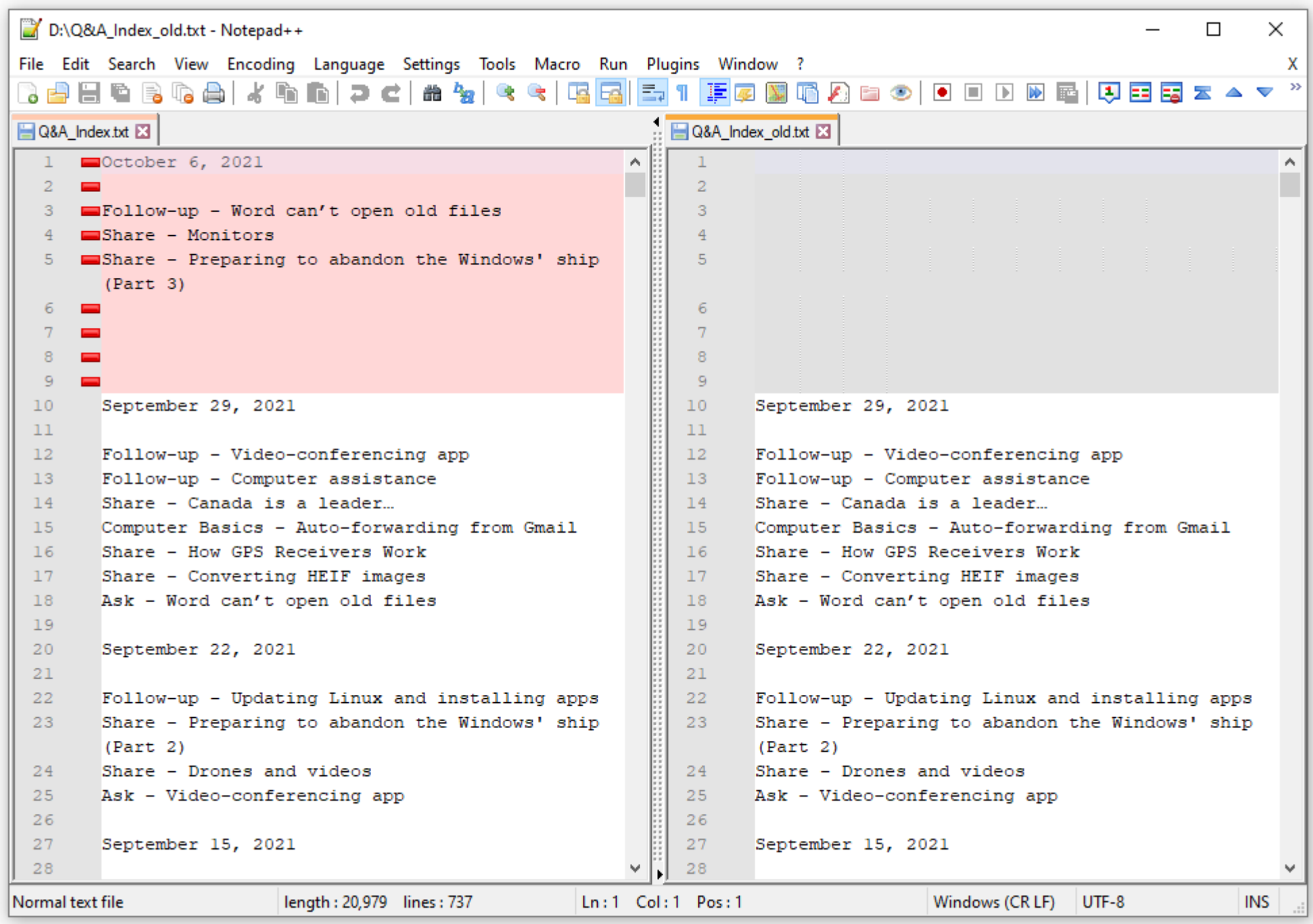
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- length : 10,095 lines : 162
- Ln : 14 Col : 56 Pos : 487
- Windows (CR LF)
- UTF-8
- INS


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10 September 29, 2021
11
12 Follow-up - Video-conferencing app
13 Follow-up - Computer assistance
14 Share - Canada is a leader...
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Cut and paste
between tabs







linux notepad++ alternative



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10 Notepad++ Alternatives For Linux

- 10 Notepad++ Alternatives For Linux.
- Vim Editor. Vim is probably the most popular editor in the Linux community. ...
- Notepadqq. Notepadqq is another alternative to Notepad++ on Linux. ...
- Gedit (Gnome text editor) ...
- SciTE. ...
- Sublime Text. ...
- Geany. ...
- GNU Emacs.

[More items...](#) • Apr. 6, 2021

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Editors' Picks

 Blender	 Spotify	 Dropbox	 Sublime	 Steam	 Skype
 Audacity	 Stellarium	 Gparted	 Scribus	 Calibre	 GNOME Maps

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notepad



Notepadqq

Notepad++-like editor for Linux

3.7

6 Reviews



Notepadqq (Flathub)

An advanced text editor

3.2

4 Reviews



QOwnNotes

Plain-text file notepad with markdown support and ownCloud integration

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0 Reviews




notepad



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It support for multiple programming languages, multiple encodings, plugins and unnamed buffers.

<http://notepadqq.altervista.org>

Details:

Package notepadqq
Version 2.0.0~beta1-1build1
Size 1.0 MB to download, 5.1 MB of disk space required

Reviews



openletter

2021.07.19

****IMPORTANT**** Unsaved cached tabs disappear without warning between login sessions. Spontaneous crashes lose all unsaved data. This is alpha quality. <https://imgur.com/a/6DCG5K6>



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Software Manager

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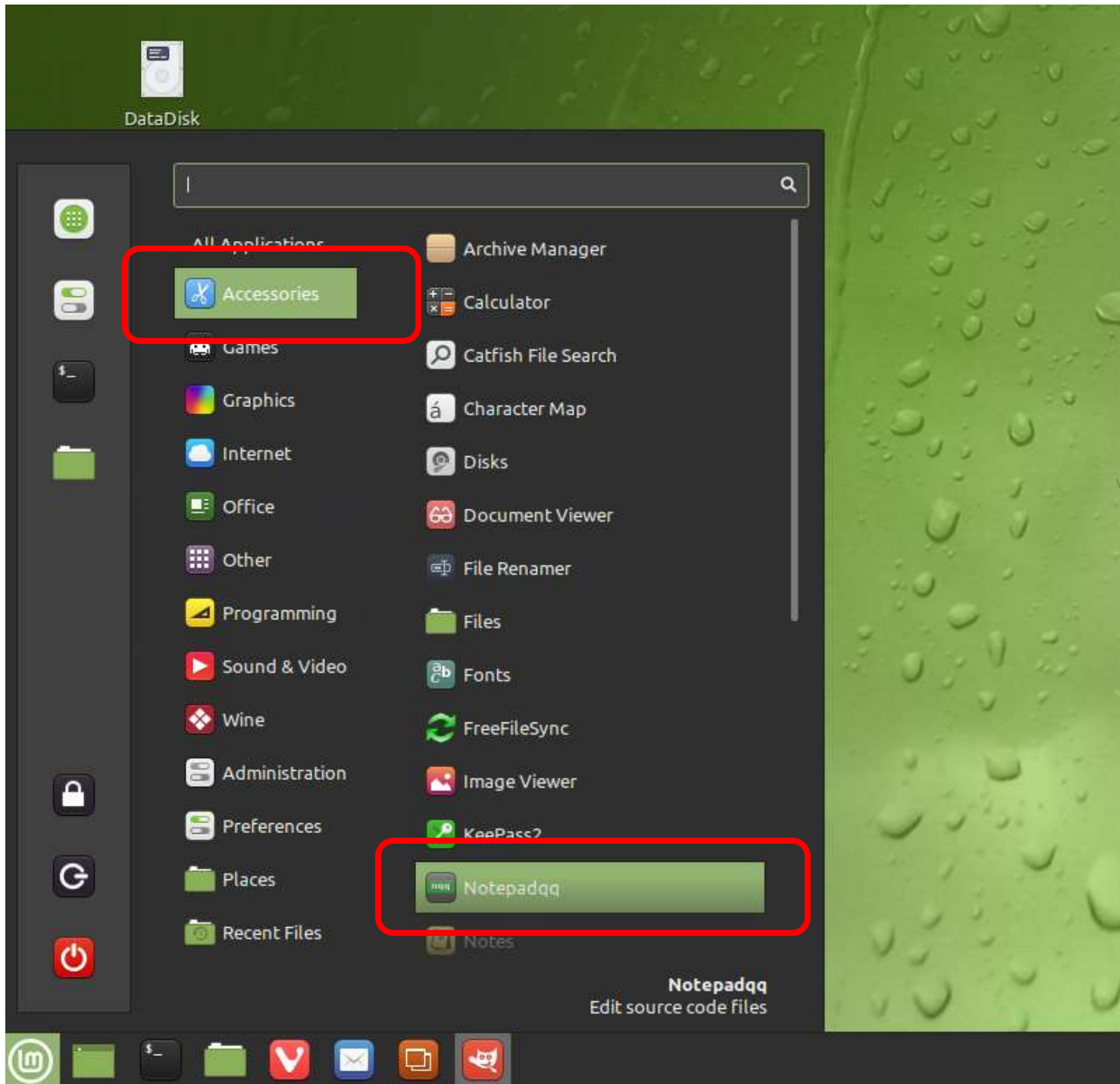
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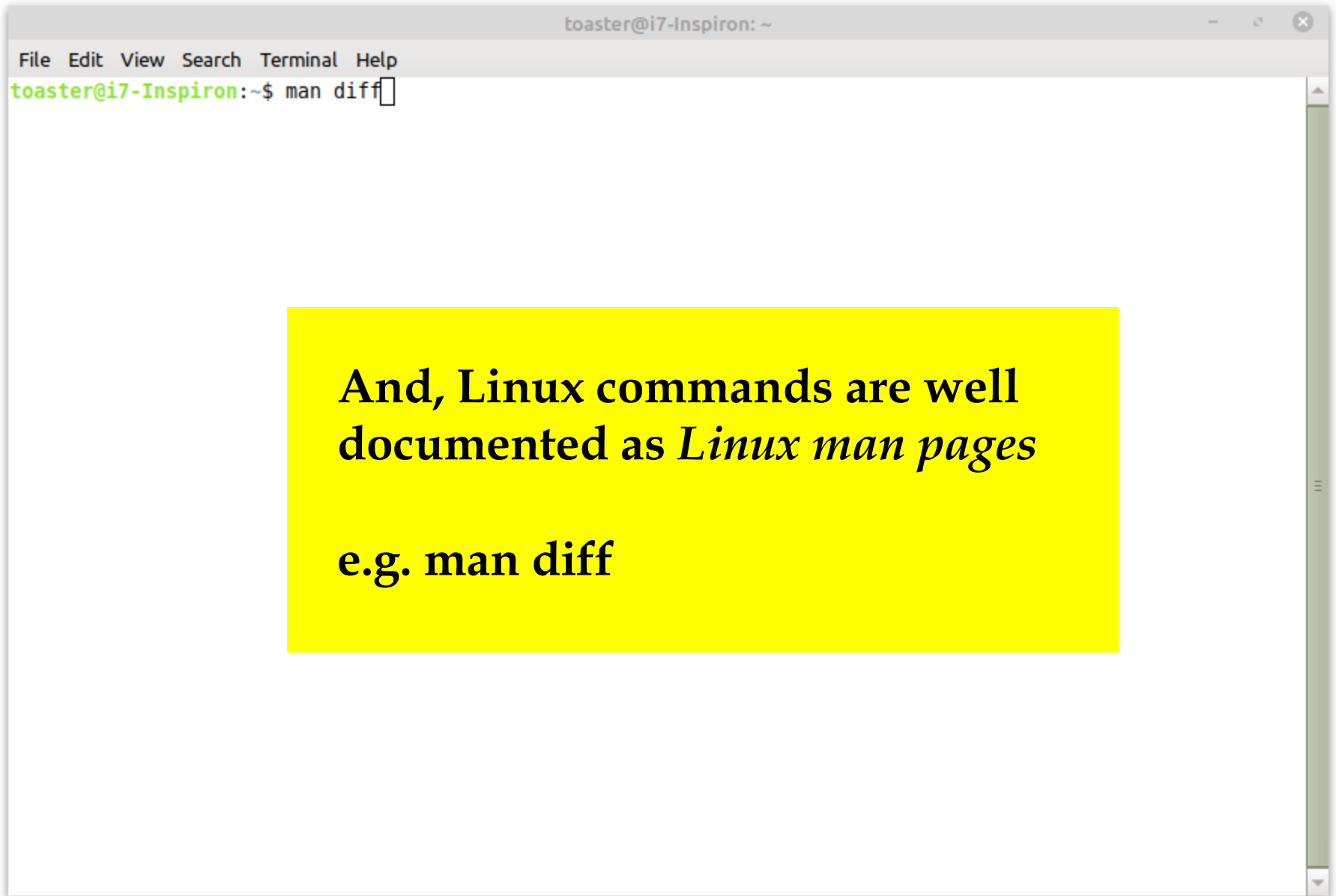
Notepadqq
Multi-tab editing
[No Compare Plugin]

But, Linux has a built-in diff command

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toaster@i7-Inspiron: /media/DataDisk/alan/opcug/presentations
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
toaster@i7-Inspiron:/media/DataDisk/alan/opcug/presentations$ diff "Q&A_Index.txt" "Q&A_Index_old.txt"
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And, Linux commands are well documented as *Linux man pages*

e.g. man diff

NAME

GNU diff - compare files line by line

SYNOPSIS

diff [OPTION]... FILES

DESCRIPTION

Compare FILES line by line.

Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options too.

--normal

output a normal diff (the default)

-q, --brief

report only when files differ

-s, --report-identical-files

report when two files are the same

-c, -C NUM, --context[=NUM]

output NUM (default 3) lines of copied context

-u, -U NUM, --unified[=NUM]

output NUM (default 3) lines of unified context

-e, --ed

output an ed script

-n, --rcs
output an RCS format diff

-y, --side-by-side
output in two columns

-W, --width=NUM
output at most NUM (default 130) print columns

--left-column
output only the left column of common lines

--suppress-common-lines
do not output common lines

-p, --show-c-function
show which C function each change is in

-F, --show-function-line=RE
show the most recent line matching RE

--label LABEL
use LABEL instead of file name and timestamp (can be repeated)

-t, --expand-tabs
expand tabs to spaces in output

-T, --initial-tab
make tabs line up by prepending a tab

-y switch = compare files side by side
--suppress-common-lines

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Alternatives





Cloud Storage

OPCUG Computer Basics Cloud Storage Part 1

STEPHANE RICHARD



Android or iPhone?

- I wish to continue to use Microsoft Outlook for E-mail
- I am looking at changing to a new mobile phone operating system (from BlackBerry)
- Is there any reason to choose Android over Apple (or vice versa)?



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<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-365/outlook-mobile-for-android-and-ios>



Android or iPhone?

So, which phone do you choose?





Apple

- High-end technology
- Expensive
- User-friendly, easy to use
- Closed/proprietary system
- Long-term OS support



Android

- Wide range of makes and models
- Less expensive
- More customizable
- Open-source
- Limited OS support (2-3 years)
- Extend life with custom ROM's (complex process)

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Project Trove

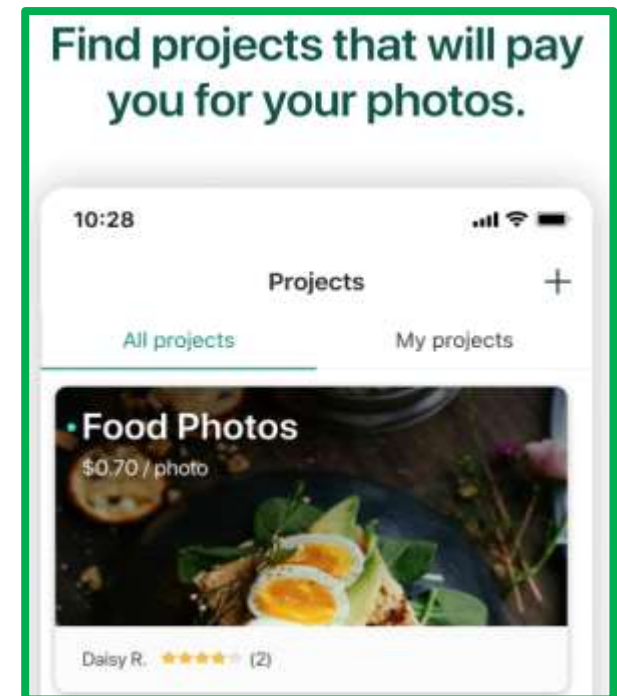


- This app is from Microsoft and is supposed to pay you for uploading your photos which fit various projects
- Maybe you can start your own projects, but I never dug into it that far

Trove

an app for Android and web app

Get paid for your photos



<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/garage/profiles/trove/>

Stewart Bruce

Share

Project Trove

(Not recommended)

- I had the app for a few weeks and most of the projects were inactive
- The only two available were handwritten signs dealing with road construction and they wanted to see my insurance card
- I don't think I've ever seen a handwritten road construction sign and I don't think uploading my health card to the Internet is a great idea
- Maybe someone else might have more success with this but I don't recommend it for now



Filename oddities

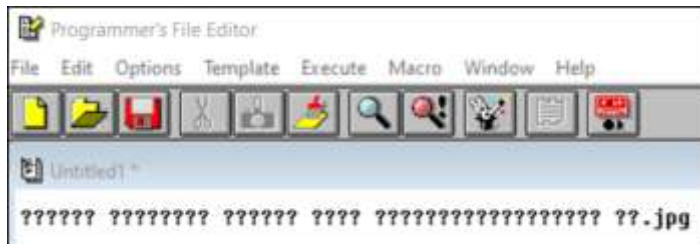
- Copy & paste description for pictures into the filename when saving
 - in File Explorer & Total Commander
 - Filename bold italic font from original website
 - sorting by 'filename'
 - files sort after Z's instead of alphabetical
- Copy & paste filename into old editor (Programmers File Editor)
 - text displays as question marks
 - text displays properly in Notepad
- Paste filename into Word
 - shows up properly
 - Word lists the font as Cambria Math
 - Word won't allow change from Cambria Math font to anything else

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A Filename oddities

- Question marks in filenames almost certainly
 - Unicode characters
 - program not designed to handle Unicode
 - Unicode v14.0 has 144,697 characters, covering 159 modern and historical scripts, and multiple symbol sets



A Filename oddities

- No idea why (or how) bold and italics are displayed in filenames












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 JerryBAB

Bold Letters for File Names – How?

I use Windows 10. I have a Word file that I want to change the file name to be in bold. How can that be done?

Question in Microsoft forum

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Windows File Explorer does not support bold or italics file/folder names

there is not a way to do this in windows file explorer

You can't bold or italicize file names

Clearly Bob is spreading fake news





**Any other:
Questions
Comments
Shares?**

Renewable energy

Bob Walker

Monday, November 8, 2021

3:30 - 4:30 pm



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Astronomy

Tim Cole and
Andrea Girones
*Royal Astronomical Society
of Canada*

November 10, 2021
7:30 pm





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answers, and topics
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