## **GNU/Linux Administration - Feature #864**

# Using Sed to Add a Line To The Top of a File

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### Description

This is a simple method to add a line to the top of a file using sed. I've found it a simple alternative to editing a file for a trivial task.

• Use sed to add a line to the top of a file:

sed -i '1s/^/some\ basic\ text\n/' ~/example.txt

# Resources

• http://superuser.com/questions/246837/how-do-i-add-text-to-the-beginning-of-a-file-in-bash

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