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NDG Linux Essentials - Chapter 6 - Working with Files and Directories

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6.5 Moving Files

To move a file, use the `mv` command. The syntax for the `mv` command is much like the `cp` command:

```
mv [source] [destination]
```

In the following example, the `hosts` file that was generated earlier is moved from the current directory to the `Videos` directory:

```
sysadmin@localhost:~$ ls
Desktop  Downloads  Pictures  Templates  example.txt  hosts.copy
Documents Music      Public   Videos    hosts
sysadmin@localhost:~$ mv hosts Videos
sysadmin@localhost:~$ ls
Desktop  Downloads  Pictures  Templates  example.txt
Documents Music      Public   Videos    hosts.copy
sysadmin@localhost:~$ ls Videos
hosts
sysadmin@localhost:~$
```

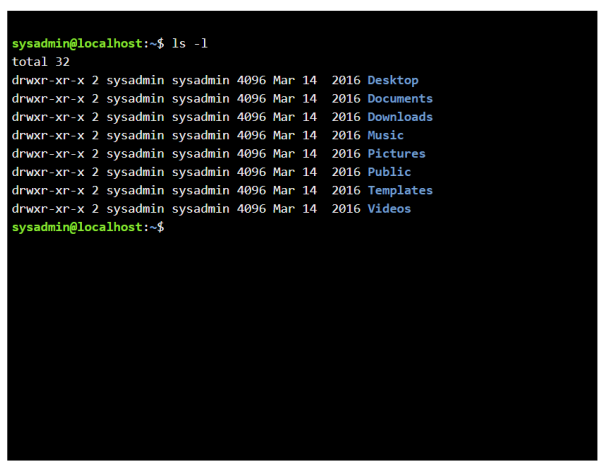
When a file is moved, the file is removed from the original location and placed in a new location. This can be somewhat tricky in Linux because users need specific permissions to remove files from a directory. If you don't have the right permissions, you will receive a "Permission denied" error message:

```
sysadmin@localhost:~$ mv /etc/hosts .
mv: cannot move '/etc/hosts' to './hosts': Permission denied
sysadmin@localhost:~$
```

A detailed discussion of permissions is provided in a later chapter.

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