

Mass renaming in bash

Add prefix to filename:

```
rename 's/^/MyPrefix_/' *
```

Remove part of filename:

```
rename 's/SEARCH/REPLACE/' *
```

Add suffix to filename:

```
rename 's$/_MySuffix/' *
```

Rename extension:

```
rename 's/\.pdf$/\.doc/' *
```

Swapping parts of filename:

```
rename 's/(.*) - Linkin Park (.*)$/Linkin Park - $1 $2/' *.mkv
```

for dry-run, use -n option!

Mass moving files from numbered directories into another one (bash for loop):

```
for i in `seq 2 30`;do mv bla$i/* target_directory ; done
```

A graphical bulk renaming tool is:

```
sudo apt-get install pyrenamer
```

Original file name	Renamed file name
Anxiety-Diary.txt	
anxiety-symptoms-life.txt	
exim-queue-clear.txt	
frank-sip.txt	
george_start.txt	testbla_george_start.txt
kodi-headless.txt	testbla_kodi-headless.txt
kodi-mysql.txt	testbla_kodi-mysql.txt
linux-cd-rip_dott.txt	testbla_linux-cd-rip_dott.txt
new_server_setup.txt	testbla_new_server_setup.txt
rsync_surevoip.txt	
steak-tip.txt	
windows-10-bad.txt	

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