

# 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
```

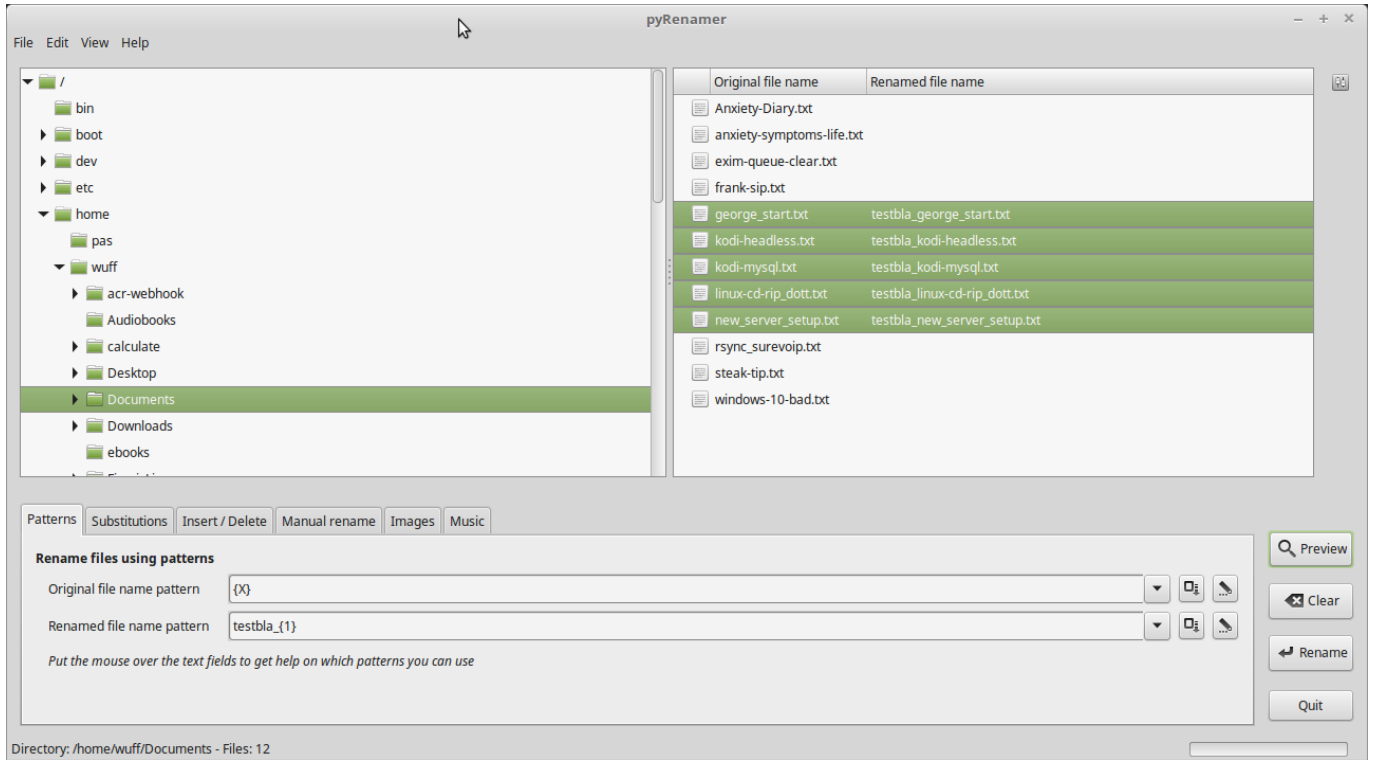
for dry-run, use -n option!

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
```



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