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TOPIC -----

How can I find out what ASCII codes are returned by the function keys under the command shell?

DISCUSSION -----

Follow these steps:

- 1) Open a vi window; type vi testfkey and press Enter
- 2) To begin entering data, press Escape i
- 3) In the window, press Control-v followed by the function key.
- 4) To quit vi and save the file, press Escape ZZ Enter
- 5) With the function key keystroke captured, run od on the document to find out the ASCII/hex codes. For example, to see the contents of the file in hex, type od -h testfkey and press Enter.

Other od flags include:

- a to display bytes under their ASCII names
- d, l, or i to display bytes in decimal
- h to display bytes in hex

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